Frustration with American politics is widespread and seems to be growing, but what, if anything, would fix the U.S. system of government to the satisfaction of the American public? In this course, we will examine various problems, from electoral dysfunction and Congressional gridlock to government secrecy and bureaucratic inefficiency, and analyze proposed solutions for their perceived benefits, their likelihood of adoption, and their impact on the current system if put in place. We will begin by reviewing major waves of reform from the past to see how reform movements succeed and how their success brings both intended and unintended consequences. We will then examine current criticisms of political structures and processes, discuss proposed solutions, and attempt to anticipate how such changes, if adopted, would bring both benefits and new problems.