

## **POLI 100C: Political Parties**

### **Agenda Topic 3**

#### **Topic 3: Sundquist's Model of Party Realignment**

A. Basic Model

B. Types of Realignment:

1. No Realignment;
2. Neither Party is Replaced;
3. One Party is Replaced;
4. Both Parties are Replaced

C. The Essential Dynamic – *The Center Does Not Hold*

D. Five Variables That Affect Realignment:

1. Breadth and Depth of the Underlying Grievance;
2. Capacity to Provoke Resistance;
3. Leadership;
4. Division of Polar Blocs Between the Parties;
5. Strength of Existing Party Attachments