

POLI 330N Week 5 Discussion: The Roles of Congress and The Presidency

Initial Post Instructions

For the initial post, respond to one of the following options, and label the beginning of your post indicating either Option 1 or Option 2:

Option 1: Political scientists disagree on the exact causes of low representation of women in Congress. Why do you think there are so few women in Congress in comparison to men? How likely is it that these patterns of representation will dramatically change over your lifetime? For this discussion question, you will have to do some research online.

Option 2:

What characteristics do you think voters look for when choosing a president? Do you think voters choose the characteristics they are looking for depending on the socioeconomic and political environment - lack of jobs, riots, COVID-19, environmental concerns and other issues etc.? Explain your answer.

Answer

I feel that there are so few women in Congress because many women are fulfilling other careers and are labeled as more stay at home parents versus having a position in Congress, where men have aggressively dominated for centuries. "Over the years, women have been more likely than men to oppose capital