



# At War With Politics: A Journey from Traditional Political Science to Black Politics

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## This course reading...

- Narrates the author's journey from Black and politically engaged student, to politician, to university professor.
- Explores questions of how Black identity relates to US politics and how politics can or cannot positively impact Black communities.
- Adds detail and life to political studies through describing lived experience.

**Is politics the best way to make changes in your community? How can one find a political identity? What is the relationship between Black identity and the US political field?**

Through reflection and recollection, author **Stephen Graves** explores these questions as he describes his journey from young Black student, to politician, to teaching at a university level – all as a way to engage with and effect change in his community. Focusing on the author's lived experience, this book will bring life to political theory and studies of American politics.

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