



EDU 2202 –
Social Foundations II

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Today's Objectives

- Administrivia?
- NCLB article presentation
- Classical Liberalism Review
- Jefferson's Views on Education Activity
- St. Thomas of Villanova Day – 11:30-12:20
 - Questions for Discussion

Classical Liberalism includes

- an ethical emphasis on the individual as rights-bearer prior to the existence of any state, community, or society
- the support of the right of property carried to its economic conclusion, a free-market system,
- the desire for a limited constitutional government to protect individual rights from others and from its own expansion, an
- the universal (global and ahistorical) applicability of these convictions

Jeffersonian views on Classical Liberalism

- **Faith in Reason** – belief in human ability to reason
- **Natural Law** – universe as a machine (i.e., Newton's conception)
- **Republican Virtue** – love of country, a moral code
- **Progress** – perfectibility of man and prospect of future progress
- **Nationalism** – a commitment to a national state
- **Freedom** – to pursue ...
 - Economic
 - Civil
 - Political
 - Intellectual.....Education or Knowledge = Happiness

Small Group Activity on Jefferson's Own Views on Education

- Working in three groups read your assigned reading and spend a few minutes reading your assigned quotes.
- Spend about 15 minutes answering the provided questions.