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Liberalism

- Elements of liberalism
- Classical liberalism
- Modern liberalism

Elements of liberalism

- Individualism: Individualism
- Freedom
- Reason
- Equality
- Toleration
- Consent
- Constitutionalism

Classical liberalism

- The central theme of classical liberalism is a commitment to an extreme form of individualism. Human beings are seen as egoistical, self-seeking and largely selfreliant creatures.

Modern liberalism

- Modern liberalism is characterized by a more sympathetic attitude towards state intervention. This view provided the basis for social or welfare liberalism. This is characterized by the recognition that state intervention, particularly in the form of social welfare. (Andrew Heywood, 2002, 45-46)