

# Political Science 415 Foreign Policy

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## Class News

- **Class is cancelled for Wednesday, February 6. Be sure to catch up with the readings before Monday's class.** We'll discuss both the Feb 6 readings and the Feb 11 readings on Monday.

## Downloads

<b>Course Documents</b>	<a href="#">Syllabus</a>
<b>Assignments</b>	<a href="#">Assignment 1: Foreign Policy and the 2008 Elections</a> -- Link to <a href="#">issue trackers</a> -- Link to <a href="#">pro-con positions</a> -- Link to <a href="#">On the Issues</a>  <a href="#">Assignment 2: Interpreting International Law</a> -- Link to <a href="#">Three Schools of Thought on International Law</a>  <a href="#">Assignment 3: The Morality of Policy Choices</a>

<b>Class Notes</b>	<a href="#">The Menu for Choice</a>
	<a href="#">Rhetoric vs. Reality</a>
	<a href="#">World War II and the Nature of Public Support</a>
	<a href="#">Vietnam: Myths, Realities, and Unanswered Questions</a>
	<a href="#">Tools of Statecraft: Military Intervention, Foreign Aid, Diplomacy</a>
	<a href="#">Ethics in Foreign Policy</a>

## Assigned Readings

Dates	Topic	Assigned Readings
Jan 14	Introduction: Levels of Analysis and the Menu for Choice	None
Jan 16	History of US Foreign Policy: 19 <sup>th</sup> Century	Kaufman: Chapters 1,2, Chapter 6 Case 1 Johnson: pp.1-31
Jan 21	<b>NO CLASS – MLK Day</b>	<b>NO CLASS</b>
Jan 23	History of US Foreign Policy: WW II	Kaufman: Chapter 3 Johnson: pp. 31-37 <b>Assignment 1 Due</b>
Jan 28	History of US Foreign Policy: Cold War and Vietnam War	Kaufman: Chapter 4, Chapter 6 Case 2 Johnson: pp. 37-46
Jan 30	Recent US Foreign Policy	Kaufman: Chapter 5, Chapter 6 Case 3 Johnson: pp.46-50
Feb 4	Ignorance and Intelligence	Johnson: Chapter 1 <a href="#">The Rumsfeld Intelligence Agency</a> (Online)
Feb 6	The Democratic Control of Foreign Policy	Johnson: Chapter 2 <a href="#">When Congress Checks Out</a> (Proxy)

Feb 11	Tools of Statecraft	Johnson: Chapter 3 <a href="#">Tales of the Unexpected</a> (Online)
Feb 13	International Law and U.S. Policy	Johnson: Chapters 4,5 <b>Assignment 2 Due</b>
Feb 18	<b>NO CLASS – Presidents’ Day</b>	<b>NO CLASS</b>
Feb 20	The Politics of Foreign Aid	Johnson: Chapter 6 <a href="#">The Politics of Humanitarian Aid</a> (Proxy)
Feb 25	The Morality of Foreign Policy	<a href="#">Oppenheim, “Morality and Foreign Policy Goals”</a> (Electronic Reserve. Username = pols415, Password = foreign)
Feb 27	Leadership -- or Empire?	Johnson: Chapter 7 <a href="#">The Unconscious Colossus</a> (Proxy)
March 3	Improving Foreign Policy	Johnson: Conclusion <b>Assignment 3 Due</b>
March 5	<b>Final Exam</b>	<b>Final Exam</b>