

Contemporary U.S. Intelligence

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PPHA 33420

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Schedule: Monday, 8am-10:50am

Location: Keller Center, Room 1002

Course Description

The course examines the U.S. Intelligence Community and its role in national security. It will analyze the intelligence cycle including planning and direction, collection, processing, analysis and dissemination. It will also focus on topics such as warning and surprise, denial and deception, covert action, oversight and the role of policy makers, civil liberties, ethics and accountability and intelligence reform.

I will also compare the organization and activities of foreign intelligence agencies with the U.S. model. Many of these topics will be analyzed in the context of current events including the congressional investigation into Russia's interference with the 2016 presidential election. The course will also feature high ranking current and former intelligence officials as guest speakers.

Required Reading

1. Mark Lowenthal, *Intelligence: From Secrets to Policy*, 7th Edition (CQ Press, 2017)
2. Mike Morell, *The Great War of our Time*, Grand Central Publishing - Paperback Edition
3. Sun Tzu, *The Art of War*, Chapter 13 on "Using Spies" (Available online)
4. Old Testament, The Book of Numbers, Chapter 13(all) and Chapter 14, verses 1-8, 26, 30-38 (Available online)

Grading Basis

Course requirements consist of a midterm exam (40% of the final grade), class participation (20% of the final grade), and a paper which will be due November 25th (40% of final grade).

Course Schedule and Reading Assignments

<p>Monday, October 7 Lowenthal, Chapters 1-3 Old Testament Readings Sun Tzu, Chapter 13 Intel 101 Handout</p>	<p>Class Introduction</p>
<p>Monday, October 14 Morell, Chapters 1-14 Lowenthal, Chapters 5, 6, 8</p>	<p>Collection and analysis, covert action Guest speaker: Former CIA Deputy Director Mike Morell</p>
<p>Monday, October 21 Lowenthal, Chapters 13-14</p>	<p>The evolution of surveillance law, reform and ethics Guest speaker: Glenn Gerstell, General Counsel, National Security Agency</p>
<p>Monday, October 28</p>	<p>Policy and Intelligence Guest speaker: John Brennan, Former CIA Director</p>
<p>Monday, November 4 Lowenthal, Ch. 8</p>	<p>Military intelligence, covert action links between the CIA and the military Guest speaker: Michael Vickers, Former Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence</p>
<p>Monday, November 11 Handout</p>	<p>Intelligence Collection, the Art of Recruiting Spies and Stealing Secrets Guest speaker: Daniel Hoffman, Former CIA Station Chief, Moscow</p>
<p>Monday, November 18</p>	<p>Midterm</p>

<p>Monday, November 25 Lowenthal, Chapters 9-10</p>	<p>Relationship between intel and policymakers -Paper Due</p>
<p>Monday, December 2 Lowenthal, Ch. 11, 12, 15</p>	<p>Nation States, Transnational Issues, Foreign Intelligence Services</p>
<p>Monday, December 9 Readings TBD</p>	<p>Careers in the Intelligence Field, Diversity Issues, and Intelligence Under the Trump Administration Guest Speaker: Meroe Park, Former CIA Executive Director</p>

I reserve the right to adjust this schedule based on the availability of our guest speakers.

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