

Draft
Contemporary U.S. Intelligence
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PPHA 33420

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Schedule: Mondays, 8:00am-10:50am

Location: Keller Center, TBA

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 post-Trump intelligence reform efforts and intelligence/counterterrorism operations in Afghanistan. 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*, 8th Edition (CQ Press, 2019)
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 22nd (40% of final grade).

Course Schedule and Reading Assignment

Monday, September 27 Lowenthal, Ch. 1-4 Old Testament Readings Sun Tzu, Ch. 13 Intel 101 Handout	Class Introduction
Monday, October 4	Collection and analysis, covert action

<p>Morell, Chapters 1-14 Lowenthal, Chapters 5-6, 8</p>	<p>Guest Speaker: Former CIA Director Mike Morell</p>
<p>Monday, October 11</p> <p>Lowenthal, Chapter 13-14 Handout</p>	<p>The evolution of surveillance law, reform and ethics</p> <p>Guest Speaker: Glenn Gerstell, Former General Counsel, National Security Agency</p>
<p>Monday, October 18</p> <p>Handout</p>	<p>The Intelligence Community Under the Trump Administration</p> <p>Guest Speaker</p>
<p>Monday, October 25</p> <p>Lowenthal, Ch. 8</p>	<p>Military Intelligence, covert action links between the CIA and the military</p> <p>Guest Speaker: Michael Vickers, Former Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence</p>
<p>Monday, November 1</p> <p>Handout</p>	<p>Intelligence Collection, the Art of Recruiting Spies and Stealing Secrets</p> <p>Guest Speaker: Daniel Hoffman, Former CIA Station Chief, Moscow</p>
<p>Monday, November 8</p> <p>Lowenthal, Chapter 7</p>	<p>Counterintelligence</p>

Handout	
Monday, November 15	Midterm
Monday, November 22 Lowenthal, Chapters 11, 12, 15	Paper Due Nation States, Transnational Issues, Foreign Intelligence Services No Class due to Thanksgiving Holiday Supplemental Reading for Lost Week
Monday, November 29 Lowenthal, Ch. 9, 10	Relationship between intel and policymakers

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

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