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POLSC 343

AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY

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MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS
12:30 - 1:20PM

Is the United States an empire? Is American global leadership in decline? When and why do presidents use military force? Does partisanship stop at the water's edge? Does Congress matter in foreign policy?

This course focuses on understanding the development of American foreign policy over time. In addition to tracing the general history of American foreign policy from the War for Independence through the present, we will draw on political science research that can help us to identify and explain key questions, events, and trends in American foreign policy.

THIS COURSE IS PART OF THE POLITICS OF THE GLOBAL SOUTH & GLOBAL POLITICS AND SECURITY TRACKS AND COUNTS TOWARDS THE PRIMARY TEXTS CERTIFICATE & MIDDLE EAST STUDIES MINOR*

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