

# POLI 142K: Politics and Warfare

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The purpose of this course is to provide all interested students with a comprehensive analytical overview of the study of warfare. We will focus on the causal origins of war, the paradox of commitment, and the problem of combat compliance.

## Grades:

One take-home mid-term (40%)

One take-home final (60%)

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## Readings:

### -Weeks 1-5:

Fromkin, Europe's Last Summer (Entire)

Doyle, Ways of War and Peace; cluster of chapters titled Realism and Liberalism.

### -Week 5-10:

McPherson, For Cause and Comrades

Meridale, Ivan's War

Kindsvatter, American Soldiers