

POLI 247A Quantitative Approaches to International Relations

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Course Description:

This course introduces students to quantitative approaches in international relations, with particular emphasis on contemporary research on conflict and peace. Since the quantitative international relations literature is so extensive, the particular sample of readings and issues that we cover in one brief quarter must inevitably be small and somewhat idiosyncratic. However, we will also focus on more general issues and develop analytical skills relevant to research design, empirical analysis, and academic discourse that have wider applicability in the study of international relations. The course will also focus on how to go beyond the role of a consumer or just evaluating the research of others to becoming active contributors and improving on existing research.

Assignments:

There are three gradable assignments in the course:

1. Discovery: Each student will “acquire” one research article/book each week. This must be an article or book that does ***NOT*** appear on the syllabus, but which is relevant to the week’s theme, as outlined by the topic and current reading list. Students should distribute a PDF version of the article to the other students and instructor no later than the afternoon before class (Tuesday).
2. Presentation/documentation: Each student will present the paper/article that they have discovered “in class” (Zoom seminar). They will also circulate a short memo of a page or less summarizing the article or book and discussing its main points. A good summary will include criticism and suggestions for extending the research provided in the particular piece. The class presentation should be about 10-15 minutes and go over any technical information in detail (what is the model? How is it solved? What estimation technique is used? What are its strengths and weaknesses?). Tear the articles apart! There will then be a Q&A and discussion for each piece presented, stressing potential extensions, connection to the literature and possible alternative readings or future research possibilities.
3. Students will submit a replication paper, a research design, or a research paper. Students are required to confirm the topic of the assignment with me before they begin their research, and as the project develops. The objective of the assignment is to make significant progress towards developing a publishable piece of research. Students should select their project with this goal in mind.

The grade for the replication/research design/paper constitutes 40% of your final grade. Your selection of readings, short memos and classroom presentations will be worth 40% of your grade. The remaining 20% of the grade for the course will depend on in-class class participation.

What about the “assigned” readings? A PhD implies extensive knowledge of the literature. The syllabus is basically a reading lists for “comps,” (though these are on hold at the present)/ Most of the readings for the course are journal articles. The articles are available electronically on JSTOR. Interests will vary and time is generally at a premium, but *at a minimum* you should read at least six of the assigned required readings prior to class for each weekly discussion session. *But you will not be graded on this (at least not this quarter).*

Professional socialization involves learning the mores of the community. These are not written down and are seldom taught. If you have questions about any professional topic, ask. I will give you my opinion, as always.

Note: It is the student's responsibility to inform the instructor of any factor(s) or issues that might interfere with class performance well in advance of any problems. Appropriate measures will be taken in compliance with University of California policy and departmental practice. *Plagiarism is a violation of your academic integrity.* If you have questions about what constitutes original research, or how to reference the work of others, ask.

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Course Materials: The syllabus is meant to be a resource for additional study and research beyond the plan of the course. The syllabus contains many readings that are not required, but are recommended. You may find a number of books helpful for this course and for future reference (*you are **not required** to purchase*).

General Reference:

- Carlsnaes, Walter, Thomas Risse, and Beth A Simmons (Eds.). 2002. *Handbook of International Relations*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE.
- Dougherty, James E., and Robert L. Pfaltzgraff, Jr. 1996. *Contending Theories of International Relations: A Comprehensive Survey*. New York: Longman. [ISBN: 0-673-99756-1 (paper)].
- Geller, Daniel S., and J. David Singer. 1998. *Nations at War: A Scientific Study of International Conflict*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. [ISBN: 0-521-62906-3 (paper)].
- Goemans, H.E. 2000. *War and Punishment: The Causes of War Termination and the First World War*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. [ISBN: 0-691-02148-1 (paper)].

“Modern Classics” (broadly conceived):

- Blainey, Geoffrey. 1988. *The Causes of War*. New York: Free Press. [ISBN: 0-02-903591-0 (paper)].
- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce. 1981. *The War Trap*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce, and David Lalman. 1992. *War and Reason: Domestic and International Imperatives*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press. [ISBN: 0-300-05922-1 (paper)].
- Huth, Paul K. 1988. *Extended Deterrence and the Prevention of War*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press. [ISBN: 0-300-05061-5 (paper)].
- Midlarsky, Manus I. 1989. *Handbook of War Studies*. Boston: Unwin Hymen.
- Russett, Bruce. 1993. *Grasping the Democratic Peace: Principles for a Post-Cold War World*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. [ISBN: 0-691-00164-2 (paper)].
- Vasquez, John A., and Marie T. Henehan. 1992. *The Scientific Study of Peace and War: A Text Reader*. New York: Lexington Books. [ISBN: 9-669-20105-7 (paper)].

Research Design, Methodology:

- Harvey, Frank P., and Michael Brecher (Eds.). 2002. *Evaluating Methodology in International Studies*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.
- Most, Ben A. and Harvey Starr. 1989. *Inquiry, Logic, and International Politics*. Columbia, S.C.: University of South Carolina Press.
- Sprinz, Detlef, and Yael Wolinsky-Nahmias (Eds.). 2004. *Models, Numbers, and Cases: Methods for Studying International Relations*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Applied (substantive) Studies:

- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce, Alastair Smith, Randolph M. Siverson and James D. 2005. *The Logic of Political Survival*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press. [ISBN: 0-262-52440-6 (paper)].

- Cederman, Lars-Erik. 1997. *Emergent Actors in World Politics: How States and Nations Develop and Dissolve*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. [ISBN: 0-691-02148-1 (paper)].
- Fazal, Tanisha. 2007. *State Death: The Politics and Geography of Conquest, Occupation, and Annexation*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. [ISBN: 0-691-13460-X].
- Goemans, H.E. 2000. *War and Punishment: The Causes of War Termination and the First World War*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. [ISBN: 0-691-02148-1 (paper)].
- Huth, Paul K. 1998. *Standing Your Ground: Territorial Disputes and International Conflict*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press. [ISBN: 0-472-08520-4 (paper)].
- Kugler, Jacek, and Douglas Lemke, eds. 1996. *Parity and War: Evaluations and Extensions of the War Ledger*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press. [ISBN: 0-472-09602-1 (paper)].
- McGillivray, Fiona, and Alastair Smith. 2008. *Punishing the Prince: A Theory of International Relations, Political Institutions, and Leader Change*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- Midlarsky, Manus I. 2000. *Handbook of War Studies II*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.
- Russett, Bruce, and John Oneal. *Triangulating Peace: Democracy, Interdependence, and International Organizations*. New York: W.W. Norton. [ISBN: 0-393-97684-X (paper)].
- Sandler, Todd, and Keith Hartley. 1995. *The Economics of Defense*. Cambridge: Cambridge University.
- Schultz, Kenneth A. 2001. *Democracy and Coercive Diplomacy*. Cambridge: Cambridge University.
- Zagare, Frank C., and D. Marc Kilgour. 2000. *Perfect Deterrence*. Cambridge: Cambridge University.
- Wagner, R. Harrison. 2007. *War and the State: The Theory of International Politics*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press. [ISBN: 0-472-06981-0].

1. [3 April] Introduction to Quantitative Research

Required:

- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce. 1985. [“Toward a Scientific Understanding of International Conflict: A Personal View.”](#) *International Studies Quarterly* 29(2):121-154 (with comments).
- Gaddis, John Lewis. 1992/93. “International Relations Theory and the End of the Cold War,” *International Security* 17:5-58.
- Orme-Johnson, David W.; Charles N. Alexander and John L. Davies. 1988. “International Peace Project in the Middle East: The Maharishi Technology of the Unified Field,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 32:776-812 (with comments).
- Ray, James Lee and Bruce Russett. 1996. “The Future as Arbiter of Theoretical Controversies: Predictions, Explanations and the End of the Cold War,” *British Journal of Political Science* 26:441-70.
- Schrodtt, Phillip A. 1990. “A Methodological Critique of a Test of the Effect of the Maharishi Technology of the Unified Field,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 34:745-55.
- Simowitz, Roslyn L. & Barry Price. 1986. “Progress in the Study of International Conflict: A Methodological Critique.” *Journal of Peace Research* 23(1):29-40.
- Wagner, Harrison. “Who’s Afraid of Rational Choice Theory?” Working Paper. University of Texas. (<http://web.austin.utexas.edu/hw/papers/rct.pdf>)
- Zinnes, Dina. 1980. “Three Puzzles in Search of a Researcher,” *International Studies Quarterly*, 24:315-42.

Supplementary:

A.) Cumulation (progress) in IR:

- Bremer, Stuart A. 1976. “Obstacles to the Accumulation of Knowledge” in James N. Rosenau (ed.) *In Search of Global Patterns*. New York: Free Press.
- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce. 1996. “The Benefits of a Social Scientific Approach to Studying International Affairs.” in *Explaining International Relations Since 1945*. Ngaire Woods, ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

- Jarvis, Robert. 1976. "Cumulation, Correlation, and Woozles" in James N. Rosenau (ed.) *In Search of Global Patterns*. New York: Free Press.
- Nicholson, Michael. 1996. *Causes and Consequences in International Relations*. London: Pinter.
- Zinn, Dina A. 1976. "The Problem of Cumulation." In James Rosenau (ed.) *In Search of Global Patterns*. New York: Free Press.

B.) Evaluating Scientific Research:

- Bremer, Stuart A. & Thomas R. Cusack (eds.). 1995. *The Process of War: Advancing the Scientific Study of War*. Luxembourg: Gordon and Breach.
- Singer, J. David. 1961. "The Level-of-Analysis Problem in International Relations." *World Politics* 14:77-92.
- Vasquez, John. 1997. "The Realist Paradigm and Degenerative versus Progressive Research Programs: An Appraisal of Neotraditional Research on Waltz's Balancing Proposition." *American Political Science Review* 91(4):899-912.
- Walt, Stephen P. 1999. "[Rigor or Rigor Mortis? Rational Choice and Security Studies.](#)" *International Security*. 23(4):5-48 ([with comments](#) in *International Security* 24(2))
- Waltz, Kenneth N. 1997. "Evaluating Theories." *American Political Science Review* 91(4):913-917.

C.) Data on Peace and Conflict

- Azar, Edward E. 1980. "The Conflict and Peace Databank (COPDAB) project." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 24:143-52.
- Brecher, Michael, and Jonathan Wilkenfeld. 1997. *A Study of Crisis*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.
- Gerner, Deborah J., Philip A. Schrodt, and Ronald A. Francisco. 1994. "Machine Coding of Event Data Using Regional and International Sources." *International Studies Quarterly* 38:91-119.
- Gleditsch, Nils Petter, Peter Wallensteen, Mikael Eriksson, Margareta Sollenberg, and Håvard Strand. 2002. "Armed Conflict 1946-2001: A New Dataset." *Journal of Peace Research* 39:615-37.
- Jones, Daniel M., Stuart A. Bremer, and J. David Singer. 1996. "Militarized Interstate Disputes, 1816-1992: Rationale, Coding Rules, and Empirical Applications." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 15:163-213.
- Small, Melvin, and J. David Singer. 1982. *Resort to Arms: International and Civil Wars, 1816-1980*. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage.
- Wallensteen, Peter, and Margareta Sollenberg. 2000. "Armed Conflict, 1989-1999." *Journal of Peace Research* 37:635-49.

2. [10 April] War Onset (Dyad, System):

Required:

- Braumoeller, Bear. 2008. "Systemic Politics and the Origins of Great Power Conflict." *American Political Science Review* 102(1):1-17.
- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce. "An Expected Utility Theory of International Conflict." *American Political Science Review* 74:917-31
- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce, and David Lalman. 1988. "[Empirical Support For Systemic and Dyadic Explanations of International Conflict.](#)" *World Politics*, 41, 1-20.
- Goddard, Stacie. 2006. "Uncommon Ground: Indivisible Territory and the Politics of Legitimacy," *International Organization* 60(1): 5-68.
- Huth, Paul, D. Scott Bennett, and Christopher Gelpi. 1992. "[System Uncertainty, Risk Propensity, and International Conflict.](#)" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 36(3):478-517.
- Kim, Woosang, and James D. Morrow. 1992. "[When Do Power Shifts Lead to War?](#)" *American Journal of Political Science* 36(4):896-922.

- Mansfield, Edward D. 1992. "The Concentration of Capabilities and the Onset of War" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 36:3-24.
- Ordeshook, Peter F., and Emerson S. Niou. 1990. "Stability in Anarchic International Systems." *American Political Science Review* 84:1207-34.
- Reiter, Dan, Allan Stam, and Michael Horowitz. 2014. "A Revised Look at Interstate Wars, 1816-2007." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* (5):1-22
- Sechser, Todd. 2010. "Goliath's Curse: Coercive Threats and Asymmetric Power," *International Organization* 64(4): 627-60
- Thompson, William R. 1986. "Polarity, the Long Cycle, and Global Power Warfare." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 30:587-615.

Supplementary:

- Brecher, Michael, Patrick James, and John F. Wilkenfeld. 1990. "Polarity and Stability: New Concepts, Indicators, and Evidence." *International Interactions* 16:49—80.
- Cederman, Lars-Erik. 1994. "Emergent Polarity - Analyzing State Formation and Power-Politics." *International Studies Quarterly* 38:501-33.
- Fearon, James D. 1995. "[Rationalist Explanations for War.](#)" *International Organization* 49(3):379-414.
- Fordham, Benjamin, and Victor Asal. 2007. "Billiard Balls and Snowflakes: Do the Unit-level Characteristics of Leading States Influence Systemic Outcomes?" *International Studies Quarterly* 51(1):1-18.
- Hegre, Haavard. 2008. "Gravitating toward War: Preponderance May Pacify, but Power Kills." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 52(4):566-589.
- Kugler, Jacek, and Douglas Lemke. 2000. "The Power Transition Research Program: Assessing Theoretical and Empirical Advances." In Manus Midlarsky (ed.), *Handbook of War Studies II*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
- Lemke, Douglas, and Suzanne Werner. 1996. "Power Parity, Commitment to Change, and War." *International Studies Quarterly* 40: 235-260.
- Reiter, Dan. 2003. "[Exploring the Bargaining Model of War.](#)" *Perspectives on Politics* 1(1):27-43.
- Schrodtt, Phillip A. 1978. "Richardson's N-Nation Model and the Balance of Power." *American Journal of Political Science* 22:364-90.
- Singer, J. David, Stuart Bremer, and John Stuckey. 1972. "Capability Distribution, Uncertainty, and Major Power War." In *Peace, War, and Numbers*, edited by Bruce M. Russett, 19-48. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage.
- Siverson, Randolph M., and Michael P. Sullivan. 1983. "The Distribution of Power and the Onset of War." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 27.
- Smith, Alastair. 1996. "[To Intervene or Not to Intervene: A Biased Decision.](#)" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 40(1):16-40.
- Wagner, R. Harrison. 1994. "Peace, War, and the Balance of Power." *American Political Science Review* 88:595-607.
- Ward, Michael D., and Lewis L. House. 1988. "A Theory of the Behavioral Power of Nations." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 32:3-36.
- Wayman, Frank Whelon. 1984 "Bipolarity and War: The Role of Capability Concentration and Alliance Patterns among Major Powers, 1816-1965." *Journal of Peace Research* 21(1): 61-78.
- Weede, Erich. 1976. "Overwhelming Preponderance as a Pacifying Condition Among Contiguous Asian Dyads." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 24:395-411

3. [17 April] War Expansion, Intervention and Outcome:

Required:

- Bennett, D. Scott, and Allan C. Stam III. 1996. [“The Duration of Interstate Wars, 1816-1985.”](#) *American Political Science Review* 90(2):239-257.
- Diehl, Paul F., Jennifer Reifschneider, and Paul R. Hensel. 1996. “United Nations Intervention and Recurring Conflict.” *International Organization* 50:683-700.
- Gartner, Scott Sigmund and Randolph M. Siverson. 1996. [“War Expansion and War Outcome.”](#) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 40(1):4-15.
- Huth, Paul. 1998. “Major Power Intervention in International Crises.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 42:744-70.
- Kirby, Andrew M., and Michael D. Ward. 1987. “The Spatial Analysis of Peace and War.” *Comparative Political Studies* 20:293-313.
- McMahon, R. Blake, and Branislav L. Slantchev. 2015. “The Guardianship Dilemma: Regime Security through and from the Armed Forces.” *American Political Science Review* 109(2):1-17.
- Ramsay, Kristopher W. 2008. “Settling It on the Field: Battlefield Events and War Termination.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 52(6):850-879.
- Regan, Patrick M. 1996. “Conditions of Successful Third Party Intervention in Intra-state Conflicts.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 40:336-59.
- Werner, Suzanne. 1999. [“The Precarious Nature of Peace: Resolving the Issues, Enforcing the Settlement, and Renegotiating the Terms.”](#) *American Journal of Political Science* 43(3): 912-934.

Supplementary:

- Altfeld, Michael F, and Bruce Bueno de Mesquita. 1979. “Choosing Sides in Wars.” *International Studies Quarterly* 23:87-112.
- Gartzke, Erik A., and Kristian S. Gleditsch. 2001. Balancing, Bandwagoning, Bargaining and War: Signaling and Selection Among Third-Party Joiners. Paper Presented at 42nd Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Chicago, IL, 20-24 February.
- Grieg, J. Michael. 2001, “Moments of Opportunity: Recognizing Conditions of Ripeness for International Mediation Between Enduring Rivals.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 45:691-718.
- Horowitz, Michael, and Dan Reiter. 2001. [“When Does Aerial Bombing Work?: Quantitative Empirical Tests, 1917-1999.”](#) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 45(2):147-173.
- Regan, Patrick M. 1999. “Substituting Policies during U.S. Interventions in Internal Conflicts: A Little of This, a Little of That.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 44:90-106.
- Regan, Patrick M. 2000. *Civil Wars and Foreign Powers: Interventions and Intrastate Conflict*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.
- Siverson, Randolph, and Harvey Starr. 1990. “Opportunity, Willingness, and the Diffusion of War 1816-1965.” *American Political Science Review* 84:47-67 (alternatively the book length version, Siverson, Randolph M., and Harvey Starr. 1991. *The Diffusion of War: A Study in Opportunity and Willingness*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.)
- Vuchinich, Samuel, and Jay Teachman. 1993. [“Influences on the Duration of Wars, Strikes, Riots, and Family Arguments.”](#) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 37(3):544-568.
- Ward, Michael D. 1991. “Special issue on “The New Geopolitics.” *International Interactions* 17:1-112.
- Ward, Michael D. & Kristian S. Gleditsch. “Location, Location, Location: An MCMC Approach to Modeling the Spatial Context of War and Peace,” *Political Analysis* 10:244-60.
- Werner, Suzanne. 1998. [“Negotiating the Terms of Settlement: War Aims and Bargaining Leverage.”](#) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 42(3):321-343
- Yamamoto, Yoshinobo, and Stuart A. Bremer. 1980. “Wider Wars and Restless Nights: Major Power Intervention in Ongoing War.” In *The Correlates of War II: Testing Some Realpolitik Models*, edited by J. David Singer, New York: Free Press.

4. [24 April] Dynamic Conflict Processes (Rivalries, Arms Races, Reputation):

Required:

- Bennett, D. Scott. 1996. [“Security, Bargaining, and the End of Interstate Rivalry.”](#) *International Studies Quarterly* 40(2):157-184.
- Gartzke, Erik, and Michael W. Simon. 1999. “Hot Hand: A Critical Analysis of Enduring Rivalries.” *Journal of Politics* 61(3):777-798.
- Goertz, Gary, and Paul F. Diehl. 1995. [“The Initiation and Termination of Enduring Rivalries: The Impact of Political Shocks.”](#) *American Journal of Political Science* 39(1):30-52.
- Goldstein, Joshua S., and Jon C. Pevehouse. 1997. “Reciprocity, Bullying, and International Cooperation: Time-Series Analysis of the Bosnia Conflict.” *American Political Science Review* 91:515-30.
- Hamblin, Robert L., Michael Hout, Jerry L. L. Miller, and Brian L. Pitcher. 1977. “Arms Races: A Test of Two Models.” *American Sociological Review* 42:338-54.
- Lemke, Douglas, and William Reed. 2001. “War and Rivalry among Great Powers.” *American Journal of Political Science* 45(2):457-469.
- Morrow, James D. 1989. [“A Twist of Truth: A Reexamination of the Effects of Arms Races on the Occurrence of War.”](#) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 33(3):500-529.
- Sample, Susan G. 1997. “Arms Races and Dispute Escalation: Resolving the Debate.” *Journal of Peace Research* 34:7-22.
- Sandler, Todd, and Keith Hartley. 1995. *The Economics of Defense*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Chapter 4.
- Ward, Michael Don. 1984. “Differential Paths to Parity: A Study of the Contemporary Arms Race.” *American Political Science Review* 78:297-317.

Supplementary:

- Boulding, Kenneth E. 1963. *Conflict and Defense: A General Theory*. New York: Harper and Row.
- Diehl, Paul. 1983. “Arms Races and Escalation: A Closer Look.” *Journal of Peace Research* 20:205-12.
- Diehl, Paul F., and Mark Crescenzi. 1998. “Reconfiguring the Arms Race-War Debate” *Journal of Peace Research* 35(1):111-118.
- Diehl, Paul F., and Jean Kingston. 1987. [“Messenger or Message?: Military Buildups and the Initiation of Conflict.”](#) *Journal of Politics* 49(4):789-799.
- Dixon, William J. 1986. “Reciprocity in United States-Soviet Relations: Multiple Symmetry or Issue Linkage?” *American Journal of Political Science* 30:421-445.
- Gleditsch, Kristian Skrede, and Kyle C. Beardsley. 2004. “Nosy Neighbors: Third Party Actors in Central American Conflicts.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 48: 379-402.
- Goertz, Gary, and Paul F. Diehl. 1993. [“Enduring Rivalries: Theoretical Constructs and Empirical Patterns.”](#) *International Studies Quarterly* 37(2):147-171.
- Hess, Gregory. D. 1995. “An Introduction to Lewis Fry Richardson and His Mathematical Theory of War and Peace.” *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 14(1): 77-113.
- Intriligator, Michael D., and Dagobert L. Brito. 1984. “Can Arms Races Lead to the Outbreak of War?” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 28:63-84.
- Mayer, Thomas F. 1986. “Arms Races and War Initiation: Some Alternatives to the Intriligator-Brito Model.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 30:3-28.
- Morrow, James D. 1991. [“Electoral and Congressional Incentives and Arms Control.”](#) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 35(2):245-265.
- Oren, Ido. 1994. [“The Indo-Pakistani Arms Competition: A Deductive and Statistical Analysis.”](#) *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 38(2):185-214.
- Richardson, Lewis F. 1960. *Arms and Insecurity*. Chicago, Pittsburgh, PA: Quadrangle/Boxwood.
- Sartori, Anne. 2003. Enduring Facts about Enduring Rivals. Typescript, Princeton University, available at URI: <http://www.princeton.edu/~asartori/Sartori%20enduring%20rivalries%207-09.pdf>.

- Stoll, Richard J. 1982. "Let the Researcher Beware: The Use of the Richardson Equations to Estimate the Parameters of a Dyadic Arms Acquisition Process." *American Journal of Political Science* 26:77-89.
- Wallace, Michael D. 1979. "Arms Races and Escalation: Some New Evidence." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 23:3-16.

5. [1 May] Deterrence, Spirals and Weapons of Mass Destruction:

Required:

- Asal, Victor, and Kyle Beardsley. 2007. "[Proliferation and International Crisis Behavior.](#)" *Journal of Peace Research* 44(2):139-155.
- Crescenzi, Mark. 2007. "Reputation and Interstate Conflict." *American Journal of Political Science* 51(2):382-396.
- Fearon, James D. 1994. "[Signaling Versus the Balance of Power and Interests: An Empirical Test of a Crisis Bargaining Model.](#)" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 38(2):236-269.
- Huth, Paul K. 1990. "[The Extended Deterrent Value of Nuclear Weapons.](#)" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 34(2):270-290.
- Huth, Paul, and Bruce Russett. 1984. "[What Makes Deterrence Work: Cases from 1900 to 1980.](#)" *World Politics* 36(4):496-526.
- Huth, Paul, and Bruce Russett. 1993. "[General Deterrence Between Enduring Rivals: Testing Three Competing Models.](#)" *American Political Science Review* 87(1):61-73.
- Signorino, Curtis S. and Ahmer Tarar. "A Unified Theory and Test of Extended Immediate Deterrence." *American Journal of Political Science* 50(3):586-605.
- Smith, Alastair. 1999. "[Testing Theories of Strategic Choice: The Example of Crisis Escalation.](#)" *American Journal of Political Science* 43(4):1254-1283.
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- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce, and William H. Riker. 1982. "An Assessment of the Merits of Selective Nuclear Proliferation." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 26(2):283-306.
- Danilovic, Vesna. 2001. "Conceptual and Selection Bias Issues in Deterrence." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 45(1):97-125.
- Fuhrmann, Matthew. 2008. "[Exporting Mass Destruction?: The Determinants of Dual-Use Trade](#)" *Journal of Peace Research* 45(5):633-652.
- Gartzke, Erik. 2010. "Nuclear Proliferation Dynamics and Conventional Conflict." Working Paper. University of California, San Diego.
- Geller, Daniel. 1990. "[Nuclear Weapons, Deterrence and Crisis Escalation.](#)" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 34(2):291-310.
- Huth, Paul, and Bruce Russett. 1990. "[Testing Deterrence Theory: Rigor Makes a Difference.](#)" *World Politics* 42(4):466-501.
- Jo, Dong-Joon, and Erik Gartzke. 2007. "[Determinants of Nuclear Weapons Proliferation.](#)" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 51(1):167-194.
- Nalebuff, Barry. 1991. "[Rational Deterrence in an Imperfect World.](#)" *World Politics* 43(3):313-335.
- Sample, Susan G. 1997. "Arms Races and Dispute Escalation: Resolving the Debate." *Journal of Peace Research* 34(1):7-22.
- Singh, Sonali, and Christopher R. Way. 2004. "The Correlates of Nuclear Proliferation." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 48(6):859-885
- Kroenig, Matthew. 2009. "Exporting the Bomb: Why States Provide Sensitive Nuclear Assistance." *American Political Science Review* 103(1):113-133.

6. [8 May] Alliances and Military Cooperation:

Required reading:

- Allen, Michael A. and Matthew Diguseppe. 2013. "Tightening the Belt: Sovereign Debt and Alliance Formation." *International Studies Quarterly* 57(4):647-659.
- Bearce, David H., Kristen M. Flanagan, and Katharine M. Floros. 2006. "Alliances, Internal Information, and Military Conflict among Member States." *International Organization* 60(3):595-625.
- Bennett, D. Scott. 1997. "Testing Alternative Models of Alliance Duration, 1816-1984." *American Journal of Political Science* 41:846-78.
- Conybeare, John A. C., and Todd Sandler (1990) "The Triple Entente and the Triple Alliance 1880-1914: A Collective Goods Approach." *American Political Science Review* 84:1197-1206.
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