



EXTRA READING LIST for SECURITY SCHOLARS

Key U.S. Foreign Policy Reads:

Power Rules, Les Gelb

- An explanation of the state of today's world, and the role America can play in it.

Special Providence, Walter Russell Mead

- An overview of the four schools of American foreign policy thought, and the creative tension between them.

The Wise Men, Walter Isaacson and Evan Thomas

- A sweeping multi-biography of who set the stage for our current world, creating most of today's international institutions and the US foreign policy apparatus. Excellent read and helps to understand how much the world has changed as well as constraints on the international system today.

The Best & the Brightest, David Halberstam

- A sweeping multi-biography of the foreign policy leaders who navigated American's war in Vietnam.

Rise of the Vulcans, James Mann

- An equally sweeping multi-biography of the rise of neoconservative thought and the underpinnings and key players behind the Iraq War)

The Democracy Advantage, Morton Halperin, Joseph Siegle, and Michael Weinstein

- The handbook on the interrelationships and statistics behind democracy, development, human rights, and security issues

In Defense of Globalization, Jagdish Bhagwati

- An overview of what globalization means/meant before the latest downturn, and a decidedly non-Chomskiest view, but one very worth grappling with if you care about international development

Further Readings By Subject:

MILITARY 101

War is a Racket, Major General Smedley Butler

In the Common Defense, Judge James Baker

Nightingale's Song, Robert Timberg

About Face by Colonel David Hackworth

AWOL: The Unexcused Absence of America's Upper Classes from Military Service- and How It Hurts Our Country, Kathy Roth-Douquet
The Killer Angels, Michael Shaara
Field of Fire, Jim Webb
Once an Eagle, Anton Myrer
Black Hawk Down, Mark Bowden
One Bullet Away, Nathaniel Fick (considered one of the best new works of the War in Iraq, by a young Marine Captain)
The Long Gray Line, Rick Atkinson
Fiasco by Thomas Ricks (one of the best works on the Iraq War, according to many Iraq Vets)
Not a Good Day to Die, Sean Naylor (the definitive work on Operation Anaconda, Afghanistan).
Company Commander, MacDonald
Platoon Leader, McDonough

Related Periodicals:

Marine Corps Times

- www.marinecorpstimes.com.
- Weekly newspaper providing insight into current issues and happenings in the Marine Corps.

Marine Corps Gazette

- A monthly publication intended for Marine officers that features articles written by officers concerning Marine Corps tactics and policies.

Military Review

- <http://usacac.army.mil/CAC/milreview/>
- More scholarly publication published by the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, provides insights into the current thinking of many senior officers.

****Small Wars Journal** (a blog)

www.smallwarsjournal.com/blog/

-Contributed to by many of the leading counter-insurgency minds, this is an increasingly important clearing house for thinking on national defense.

Films:

Caine Mutiny (Peacetime vs Wartime standards for officership)

Gallipoli

Gardens of Stone

Gettysburg

Glory

*M*A*S*H* (The best film about Vietnam that was really about Korea)

Mister Roberts

Northwest Passage

Seven Days in May

Zulu

Other reading lists:

Rep Ike Skelton's National Security Reading List:

http://www.house.gov.skelton/natsec_booklist.html

Army Professional Reading List:

<http://www.hqda.army.mil/library/militaryreadinglist.htm>

Navy Professional Reading List:

<http://www.navyreading.navy.mil/>

Marine Corps Professional Reading List:

<http://www.mcu.usmc.mil/reading/>

HOW TO READ THE DEFENSE BUDGET

Defense Resource Allocation: The Formal Processes in U.S. Defense Planning, Professor Sean C. Sullivan

AFGHANISTAN

Stephen Biddle, "Afghanistan and the Future of Warfare," *Foreign Affairs* (March/April 2003) pp. 31-46.

Dave Kilcullen, "Crunch Time in Afghanistan-Pakistan," *Small Wars Journal*, February 9, 2009, 1-6. <http://smallwarsjournal.com/mag/2009/02/crunch-time-in-afghanistanpaki.php>.

THE MIDDLE EAST/DEMOCRACY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

A Peace to End All Peace, David Fromkin

-Classic on the post-WWI peace settlement in the Middle East and how it created many of today's problems)

Thicker than Oil: America's Uneasy Partnership with Saudi Arabia, Rachel Bronson

Freedom's Unsteady March: America's Role in Building Arab Democracy, Tamara Wittes.

"The Sequencing Fallacy", *Journal of Democracy* 18:1 (January 2007), Thomas Carothers

"Sustaining Authoritarianism in the Middle East and North Africa," Stephen King, *Political Science Quarterly* 122:3 (Fall 2007).

Democracy without Democrats? The Renewal of Politics in the Muslim World, Ghassan Salame

Jihad vs. McWorld, Benjamin Barber

The Assassin's Gate, George Packer

Web Resources:

Arab Reform Bulletin, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

<http://carnegieendowment.org/publications/index.cfm?fa=view&id=1302&proj=zdr1>

Project on Middle East Democracy (POMED)

<http://pomed.org>

The Arabist

<http://arabist.net/>

(Note: Definitely lefty, sometimes angry, but worth reading for the roundup of news links and smart attention to trends in Arab politics and culture)

Abu Muqawama

<http://abumuqawama.blogspot.com/>

(On other side of the political spectrum from Arabist, hailing from England, a worthy blog on US / European Middle East policy and analysis of Middle East political developments)

MORE ON DEMOCRACY, DEVELOPMENT, & HUMAN RIGHTS:

"The Hijacking of the Development Debate," Robin Broad

<http://www.ifg.org/pdf/Broad%20Cavanagh.pdf>

The Rise of Illiberal Democracy, Fareed Zakaria

The Future of Freedom, Fareed Zakaria

Small Loans, Big Dreams: How Nobel Prize Winner Muhammad Yunus and Microfinance are Changing the World, Alex Counts

CRITICAL HISTORY/THE ROOTS OF CURRENT THREATS TO INTL SECURITY:

The Age of Sacred Terror, Daniel Benjamin and Steven Simon

Unholy Wars: Afghanistan, America, and International Terrorism, John K Cooley

Al Qaeda, Jason Burke

The Eagle and the Lion: The Tragedy of American-Iranian Relations, James Bill

THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL SECURITY LEGACY

Liberal Values:

John Rawls, *A Theory of Justice*

John Stuart Mill, *On Liberty*

John Locke, *Two Treatises on Government* & *A Letter Concerning Toleration*

Classical Republicanism/Civic Humanism:

Hannah Arendt, *The Human Condition*, & "What is Freedom"

Michael J. Sandel, *Democracy's Discontent*

Paul Rahe, *Republics Ancient and Modern: Classical Republicanism and the Atlantic Republican Tradition*

Gordon S. Wood, *The Creation of the American Republic: 1776-1787*

The Social Gospel:

Writings of Dorothy Day and Martin Luther King Jr.

Walter Rauschenbusch. *A Theology for the Social Gospel*

Liberal Internationalism:

Arthur Schlesinger Jr.: *The Vital Center*

Reinhold Neibuhr, "Why the Christian Church Is Not Pacifist" and "Idealists as Cynics"

Paul Berman: *Power and the Idealists*

Michael Walzer: *Just and Unjust Wars* & "Can There Be a Decent Left," *Dissent*, 2002

History:

David McCullough, *Truman*

George Kennan: *The Long Telegram*

Michael McGerr: *A Fierce Discontent: The Rise and Fall of the Progressive Movement in America*

Loren Griffith: *What Went Wrong*, Truman Paper

THE CLASSICS

The Federalist Papers
War and Politics, Brodie
On War, Clausewitz (Peter Paret ed.)
Street Without Joy, Bernard Fall
The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order, Huntington
The Soldier and the State, Huntington
Soldier, Statesmen, and Cold War Crises, Betts
The Rise and Fall of the Great Powers, Kennedy
The Army and Vietnam, Krepinevich
The Structure of Scientific Revolutions, Thomas Kuhn
Breaking the Phalanx, MacGregor
Thinking in Time, Neustadt and May
Bombing to Win, Pape
On Strategy I and II, Harry Summers
The Art of War, Sun Tzu
Learning to Eat Soup with a Knife, Nagl
A Savage War of Peace, Horne

MORE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS THEORY:

Jack Snyder, "One World, Rival Theories," *Foreign Policy* (November/December 2004), pp. 52-62.
Stephen M. Walt, "International Relations: One World, Many Theories," *Foreign Policy* (April 1998).
"The Information Revolution, Transnational Actors, and the Diffusion of Power, Chapter 8 in *Understanding International Conflicts: An Introduction to Theory and History*," Joseph S Nye Jr.

IMPROVING NATIONAL SECURITY COMMUNICATION/STRATEGY:

The Political Brain: The Role of Emotion in Deciding the Fate of the Nation, by Drew Weston (Public Affairs, 2007).
"Facing Realities" Jeffrey Kluger, *Time Magazine*, November 5, 2006.
<http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,1555100,00.html>
"Why Voters Play Follow the Leader," Shankar Vedantam, *Washington Post*, February 4, 2008.
http://www.washingtonpost.com/wpdyn/content/article/2008/02/03/AR2008020302572_pf.html
The Starfish and the Spider: The Unstoppable Power of Leaderless Organizations, Ori Brafman and Rod A. Beckstrom
Made to Stick: Why Some Ideas Survive and Others Die, Chip Heath and Dan Heath

NATIONAL SECURITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

National Security and the Threat of Climate Change, the CNA Report:
SecurityAndClimate.cna.org

The Age of Consequences: The Foreign Policy and National Security Implications of Global Climate Change, by CSIS & CNAS:

http://www.csis.org/media/csis/pubs/071105_ageofconsequences.pdf

World in Transition - Climate Change as a Security Risk, by the German Advisory Council on Global Climate Change:

http://www.wbgu.de/wbgu_jg2007_engl.pdf

Global Climate Change: National Security Implications, Edited by Dr. Carolyn Pumphrey.

<http://www.strategicstudiesinstitute.army.mil/pubs/display.cfm?pubID=862>