PubPol 475.005/750.005: US Intelligence Policy Frameworks

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Course Term: 14-week session

10 January 2023 – 24 April 2023 400pm-650pm ET, Wednesdays

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Course Description: The history of intelligence in the United States is long and complex, beginning with the origins of the Republic through the modern era both before and after 9/11. Over this stretch of time, tensions have existed between balancing the need to collect information through clandestine and overt means to further US national security interests, while at the same time ensuring that Constitutional protections regarding privacy, civil liberties, and free speech are upheld.

This course uses a dynamic and interactive format involving instructor lectures, writing assignments, group discussions, and student presentations to examine the different types of intelligence policy authorities that created new organizations, approved new collection methods and capabilities, or addressed intelligence abuses or failures that significantly impacted US national security. It will also provide an opportunity for students to develop an in-depth perspective on key US intelligence departments or agencies, and their historical and current roles.

Course Objectives:

- 1. Explore the background and history of intelligence in the United States in distinct phases.
- 2. Examine major intelligence policies and authorities and their impact on how the US intelligence community is organized and structured, and what intelligence collection methods are authorized and the privacy and civil liberties protections around them.
- 3. Assess key departments and agencies in the US intelligence community.
- 4. Develop practical analytic, writing, oral presentation, and collaboration skills relevant to intelligence community career fields.

Course Grading: This class encompasses several graded components to include: two policy memos of various style and format; four summaries of course themes and materials; a class presentation that involves teamwork and collaboration with other students; and, in-class participation, focus, and engagement.

Class participation	10%
Summary memos	15%
Policy assessment panels	25%
Policy memos	<u>50%</u>
•	100%

<u>Class participation, engagement, and attendance:</u> Given the seminar-based format for the class, active student participation is essential in order to: a) express comprehension of assigned reading and lecture material; b) discuss current events related to intelligence issues; c) offer perspectives, comments, and questions about lecture content; and d) engage in cross-student discussion and reflection. This component of the class grade (10%) will be based on my assessment of student engagement in these criteria, which may include "cold-calling" on students. Instructor-directed questions to students based on submitted questions for panels, or questions about administrative or syllabus-related details, *will not be counted as participation activity under* this framework.

In addition, I will be paying close attention to individual levels of engagement and focus. Signs of a lack of student focus or distractions with electronics are observable and noticeable. If patterns persist early in the semester I reserve the option to institute an electronics ban that will affect the entire class outside of when necessary for presentations. Such a ban will then only be lifted if a noticeable improvement occurs subject to my assessment.

While attendance is not formally part of the participation grade, absences in class eliminate opportunities to learn, participate, and develop bonds with fellow classmates, and is something students will have to consider when not attending. In addition, the following schema sets forth grade deductions for attendance absences without prior notification to me in writing via email. This is a professional standard that is common in workplace environments.

0-1 unexcused absences	No grade deduction
2-3 unexcused absences	5% grade deduction
4-5 unexcused absences	10% grade deduction
6-7 unexcused absences	15% grade deduction
8-9 unexcused absences	20% grade deduction
10-11 unexcused absences	25% grade deduction
12-13 unexcused absences	30% grade deduction

<u>Summary memos:</u> Four summary memos that answer questions provided in the syllabus for different themes and topics will be required at 9am on modules 3, 5, 8, and 11. <u>Each memo will be worth 3.75% individually for a total of 15% of the class grade.</u> Memos will be submitted in Canvas and should consist of at least 500-600 words and answer questions based on a comprehension of assigned readings, lecture material, and any outside research. Memos will not be reviewed for grammar, style, and punctuation but rather on the basis of substantive comprehension of assigned readings and lecture material. <u>Memos submitted</u> after 9am until 12pm will be docked 25%; memos submitted after 12pm will not receive

<u>a grade since the purpose of this assignment is to think critically about relevant</u> themes in advance and be prepared to discuss them during class.

Summary memo #1 due 9am, January 24 Summary memo #2 due 9am, February 7 Summary memo #3 due 9am, March 13 Summary memo #4 due 9am, April 3

<u>Student Panels</u>: Six student panels will be convened during **modules 7, 10, and 15.** Students will be split into teams to provide either a "pro or con" perspective (the pro team presenting the strengths and the con team presenting the weaknesses) of select intelligence-related laws, authorities, or policies. The size of the pro and con teams will depend on the overall number of students in the class, and students will be assigned to the different panels and pro/con teams in each panel based on an ordinal distribution. As a result, students will not have a choice on which panel or which side of the pro/con discussion they ultimately fall but each student will only be on one panel during the semester. The non-participants for each panel will be required to submit summaries of their positions on the policy topic and propose questions for the panelists, with further details provided below.

Student panel dates:

Panel #1: February 28 (1917 Espionage Act)

Panel #2: February 28 (1947 National Security Act)

Panel #3: March 20 (1978 FISA)

Panel #4: March 20 (1981 Executive Order 12333)

Panel #5: April 24 (2001 PATRIOT Act)

Panel #6: April 24 (2004 ITRPA)

<u>Timing:</u> Each student will have up to three to five minutes individually to present their position within the pro or con team, with a maximum of 9 to 15 minutes total for each team collectively. The instructor will then pose questions to the panelists based on student submissions and other sources.

Grading: Students operating in teams will be evaluated on their oral presentation skills, adherence to the recommended presentation format, and research and preparation for their "pro" or "con" assessment. Following the panel presentations, other students in class will engage in a question-and-answer session with the assembled student panel. Approximately 15% of this grade will be determined by the student's performance on their assigned panel and 10% (5 panels x 2%) will be based on participation as audience members of the non-assigned panels. As an audience member, each student will submit in advance a one paragraph summary (three to four-sentences) of their "pro" or "con" position for the relevant topic and at least one question via the assigned panel-specific files in Canvas at 9am the day of each panel. Summaries submitted after 9am until 12pm will be docked 25%; those submitted after 12pm will not receive a grade since the purpose of the summaries and questions is to think critically about panel themes in advance and be prepared to discuss them during class.

<u>Policy Memos:</u> Two different writing assignments will be required, and collectively these will equal 50% of the total grade (25% + 25%). These memos will be due on February 21 and April 17 by 4pm and submitted via memo-specific files created in Canvas. <u>Absent a medical or family emergency that is communicated in writing, or a documented medical accommodation form submitted earlier in the semester, no extensions will be granted prior the due date. For each day a memo is submitted late with no prior communication or extension request approved, 10% will be deducted from the memo grade (e.g., day 1 10% reduction, day 2 20% reduction, etc.)</u>

In these assignments there is no "right or wrong answer" regarding the selected topics. However, students will be evaluated in their ability to: write cogently and concisely; present a logical argument within a coherent memo structure; and minimize grammatical or spelling errors and avoid colloquial expressions. Students will be expected to conduct research to support their assessments beyond the material listed in the course readings, and details on all the potential issues are available through Internet-based sources from major newspapers like the New York Times and Washington Post; a variety of national security-related periodicals and websites; academic and research organizations; and U.S. government publications and documents. Memos will be singled-spaced in 12-point Times New Roman font, in MS Word .doc format (not Adobe .pdf format) with bolded text to designate headers between key sections and footnotes or endnotes to support factual references.

- Policy Memo #1 (Due February 21): In a four-to-five-page memo, describe the origins of one of the following US intelligence agencies (CIA, FBI, NSA, DIA, NGA, ODNI); identify challenges and opportunities it confronted during a historical case study; and, recommend a single organizational change, or update to its existing authorities that could make it operate more effectively in the future.
- Policy Memo #2 (*Due April 17*): In a four-to-five-page memo, <u>describe</u> the origins of one of the authorities regarding domestic or foreign intelligence such as:1917
 Espionage Act; 1947 National Security Act; 1978 FISA; 1981 Executive Order 12333; 2001 PATRIOT Act; the 2004 Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act; or, the 2008 FISA Amendments Act); <u>evaluate</u> its application in a national security crisis or operation; and, <u>recommend</u> whether any changes are required to ensure its continued use.

Required Texts: There are no required textbooks for the course. However, required material is provided for each class based on publicly available documents via the Internet, and some weeks include additional readings that can supplement the main ones. Required readings will also be provided in Canvas a week before each class so students can access them through that platform. In addition, students can familiarize themselves with a rich history of literature on U.S. national security decision-making, and a list is provided at the end of the syllabus.

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- be open to the views of others
- honor the uniqueness of their colleagues
- appreciate the opportunity that we have to learn from each other in this community
- value one another's opinions and communicate in a respectful manner
- keep confidential discussions that the community has of a personal (or professional) nature
- use this opportunity together to discuss ways in which we can create an inclusive environment in Ford classes and across the UM community

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Kristen Carney, LMSW is an embedded counselor within the Ford School. She is available to meet with Ford School students in-person or via remote access using Zoom. You may reach her at krisca@umich.edu. In addition, you may access other counselors and urgent services at Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) and/or University Health (CAPS). Students may also use the Crisis Text Line (text '4UMICH' to 741741) to be connected to a trained crisis volunteer. You can find additional resources both on and off campus through the University Health Service and through CAPS.

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SYLLABUS

Module 1 – January 10

Class Overview and Introduction

Summary:

This module involves student and instructor introductions and explores the class schedule, grading schema and assignments, and instructor expectations. It introduces foundational concepts in intelligence, including the different types of intelligence collection methods and definitions of what entails intelligence under US law or other authorities.

Assignments:

(none)

Questions:

- 1. How do you define intelligence?
- 2. What is the importance of purely open-source or publicly available

information relative to clandestinely acquired intelligence?

3. What is the most important type of intelligence collection method for

the United States and why?

Readings:

Zegart, Amy. "Chapter 4 – Intelligence Basics." *Spies, Lies, and Algorithims*. Princeton University Press: Princeton, NJ. 2022. 32 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 2 – January 17

Intelligence from the Revolutionary War to the Civil War

Summary:

This module traces the history of US intelligence back to the origins of the Republic during the Revolutionary War through the Civil War. It examines how different types of intelligence tradecraft—like human spying, coded messages, and morse code—were used in these respective conflicts.

Assignments:

(none)

Questions:

- 1. How did the fledgling US government engage in intelligence operations during the Revolutionary War with the British?
- 2. How did the framers of the Constitution think about the limits of governmental overreach within the United States in the aftermath of the War?
- 3. What were some of the notable advances in intelligence during the Civil War almost 80 years after the Revolutionary War?

Readings:

Allen, Thomas. Chapters 1-5. *American Intelligence in the Civil War.* Nova Science Publishers. 2009. 39 pages.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Daigler, Kenneth. Chapters 1 & 9. Spies, Patriots, and Traitors: American Intelligence in the Revolutionary War. Georgetown University Press: Washington, DC. 2014. 24 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 3 – January 24

Intelligence in WWI

Summary:

This module examines the evolution of US intelligence from the late 19th Century to WWI, to include the impact of the 1917 Espionage Act. It explores the growth of the domestic and foreign intelligence agencies like the Bureau of Investigation, US Secret Service, and various US military intelligence elements.

Assignments:

Summary memo #1 due 9am

Questions:

- 1. What intelligence policy gaps and seams did Congress attempt to address through the 1917 Espionage Act?
- 2. What were the most significant developments in US intelligence during this time?
- 3. What was the most significant US intelligence success or failure during WWI?

Readings:

DeWitt, Petra. "Clear and Present Danger': The Legacy of the 1917 Espionage Act in the United States." *Historical Reflections*. Vol 42, No 2. Summer 2016. 20 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Gilbert, James. "Chapter 1 – Steps to War." *WWI and the Origins of US Military Intelligence*. Scarecrow Press. 2012. 26 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 4 – January 31

Intelligence in WWII

Summary:

This module examines the changes in US intelligence from WWI to WWII, and how intelligence contributed to the military successes around the world—and whether the Japanese attack against Pearl Harbor should be considered an intelligence failure. It also explores the creation of the Office of Strategic Services, and its role as an intelligence service during WWII.

Assignments:

(none)

Questions:

1. What were the most significant developments in US intelligence during this time?

- 2. How did the United States balance the divide about domestic and foreign intelligence?
- 3. What was the most significant US intelligence success or failure during WWI?

Readings:

Andrew, Christopher. "Chapter 27: The Big Three and Second World War Intelligence." *The Secret World: A History of Intelligence*. Yale University Press. 2018. 34 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Kahn, David. "The Intelligence Failure of Pearl Harbor." *Foreign Affairs*. Vol. 70, No.5. Winter 1991. 14 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 5 – February 7

Intelligence and the 1947 National Security Act to the 1950s

Summary:

This module examines the impact of the 1947 National Security Act and the foundational changes it created for US intelligence, to include the creation of the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Security Council. It also explores the impact of covert action as a policy tool authorized by the White House and carried out by CIA on the foreign intelligence side, and how the FBI was evolving over this same time with respect to domestic intelligence.

Assignments:

Summary memo #2 due 9am

Questions:

- 1. What intelligence policy gaps and seams did Congress attempt to address through the 1947 National Security Act?
- 2. What was the impetus in particular for the creation of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), and what gap did this try to overcome in US intelligence?
- 3. What was the impact of the "Red Scare" in the 1950s on domestic intelligence?

Readings:

Andrew, Christopher. "Chapter 29: The Cold War and Intelligence Superpowers." *The Secret World: A History of Intelligence*. Yale University Press. 2018. 34 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Lomas, Daniel and Murray, Christopher. "Chapter 6: The Hidden Hand." *Intelligence and Espionage: Secrets and Spies*. Routledge Press. 2019. 12 pages.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Stuart, Douglas. "Chapter 7: Closing the Phalanx:

The Establishment of the NSC and the CIA, 1947–1960." *Creating the National Security State*. Princeton University Press. 2008. 44 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 6 – February 14

Intelligence in the 1960s

Summary:

This module examines the evolution of US intelligence in the 1960s, and some of the key organizational and policy changes that occurred at home and abroad during this time frame. It will assess the role of intelligence in supporting policy decisions during the Bay of Pigs Insurrection in Cuba in 1961 and the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962.

Assignments:

(none)

Questions:

- 1. What key factors led to the intelligence failure during the Bay of Pigs in 1961?
- 2. What key factors led to the intelligence success of avoiding nuclear war between the US and USSR during the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis?3. What key factors drove the FBI to intensify COINTELPRO efforts within the United States during this time?

Readings:

Blight, James and Welch, David. "The Cuban Missile Crisis and Intelligence Performance." *Journal of Intelligence and National Security*. Vol 13, No 3. 1998. 47 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Cunningham, David. "Chapter 1 - Counterintelligence Activities and the FBI." There's Something Happening Here – The New Left, the Klan, and FBI Counterintelligence. University of California. 2004. 27 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Kirkpatrick, Lyman Jr. "Paramilitary Case Study The Bay of Pigs." *Naval War College Review.* Vol 25, No 2. 1972. 11 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 7 – February 21

Intelligence in the 1970s

Summary:

This module examines the evolution of US intelligence at home and abroad during this time frame, including how FBI misused its authorities under the COINTELPRO program to violate Americans privacy and civil liberties. It also explores how foreign intelligence authorities were abused overseas and the impact of Congressional hearings like the Pike and Church Committees on intelligence reform.

Assignments:

Policy memo #1 due 4pm

Questions:

- 1. What intelligence policy gaps and seams did Congress attempt to
- address with FISA in 1978?
- 2. What foreign or domestic intelligence activities during the 1970s were
- most controversial and why?
- 3. In your opinion, what was the most significant intelligence reform to

emerge during this time frame and why?

Readings:

Johnson, Loch. "Congressional Legislation of America's Secret

Agencies: The Experience and Legacy of the Church Committee." Public

Administration Review. Vol 64, No 1. 2004. 12 pages.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Pipes, Daniel. "The Central Intelligence Agency's 'Family Jewels:' Legal

Then? Legal Now?" Indiana University Law Journal. Vol 84, No 2.

2009. 53 pages.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 8 – February 28

Student Panels – 1917 Espionage Act and the 1947 National Security Act

Summary:

This module convenes two different student panels to examine the pros and cons for US intelligence of the 1917 Espionage Act and separately the 1947 National Security Act.

Assignments:

Student panel #1 (1917 Espionage Act), student panel #2 (1947 National Security Act); pro/con responses and panel questions due 9am

*No Class March 6 due to Winter Break

Module 9 – March 13

Intelligence in the 1980s and 1990s

Summary:

This module examines the evolution of intelligence during the 1980s, as the Cold War intensified between the United States and the Soviet Union. It will examine case studies like how failed US mission to rescue hostages in Iran and the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan impacted US intelligence, and how Executive Order 12333 further clarified US intelligence roles and responsibilities.

Assignments: (none)

Questions:

- 1. What intelligence policy changes did the 1981 Executive Order 12333 hope to achieve?
- 2. How did the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979 drive US intelligence efforts during this decade?

3. Was the United States able to manage the transition from its intelligence focus on Cold War-era threats to a rapidly emerging global

order at the end of the millennium?

Readings: Jaycox, Max. "No Oversight, No Limits, No Worries: A Primer on

Presidential Spying and Executive Order 12333." Harvard National

Security Journal. Vol 12. 2021. 58 pages.

https://harvardnsj.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/13/2021/02/HNSJ-Vol-

12-Jaycox-No-Oversight-No-Limits-No-Worries.pdf

Reidel, Bruce. "Chapter 9 – Lessons of the Secret War." What We Won: America's Secret War in Afghanistan. Brookings University Press. 2014.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 9 – March 20 Student Panels – 1978 FISA and 1981

Executive Order 12333

Summary: This module convenes student panels to examine the pros and cons of

the 1978 FISA and 1981 Executive Order 12333.

Assignments: Student panel #3 (1978 FISA), student panel #4 (1981 Executive Order

12333); pro/con response and panel questions due 9am

Module 10 – March 27

Intelligence in the 2000s – Part 1

Summary: This module explores the significant to the US intelligence community as

the result of the intelligence failures in the run up to 9/11 and the 2003

Iraq War. It examines the 2001 PATRIOT Act.

Assignments: (none)

Questions: 1. What intelligence policy gaps and seams did Congress attempt to

address through the 2001 PATRIOT Act?

2. What were some of the most significant intelligence failures in the run-

up to 9/11?

3. What were some of the most significant intelligence failures that

contributed to the decision to go to war with Iraq?

Readings: Betts, Richard. "Two Faces of Failure: September 11 and Iraq's Missing

WMD." Political Science Quarterly. Vol 122, No 4. Winter 2007/2008. 23

pages.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Sales, Nathan. "Mending Walls: Information Sharing After the 2001 USA

PATRIOT Act." Texas Law Review. Vol 88, No 7. July 2010. Pages

1795-1830 (36 pages).

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 11 – April 3

Intelligence in the 2000s - Part 2

<u>Summary:</u> Building off the previous module, this one explores the additional

changes to US intelligence introduced this decade as a result of the 2004 Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act (IRTPA) and the 2008

FISA Amendments Act.

Assignments: Summary memo #4 due 9am

Guest Speaker: TBD

Questions: 1. What intelligence policy gaps and seams did Congress attempt to

address through the 2004 IRTPA?

2. What intelligence policy gaps and seams did Congress attempt to

address through the 2008 FISA Amendments Act?

3. Why is Section 702 of the 2008 FISA Amendments Act considered

such an important intelligence authority?

Readings: Liu, Edward. "Reauthorization of Title VII of the Foreign Intelligence

Surveillance Act." Congressional Research Service. March 23, 2023. 21

pages.

https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R47477

Negroponte, John and Wittenstein, Kenneth. "Urgency, Opportunity, and

Frustration: Implementing the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism

Prevention Act of 2004." Yale Law & Policy Review. Vol 38. 2010. 40

pages.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 12 – April 10

Intelligence in the 2010s

Summary: This module examines intelligence developments in the 2010s, such as

the 2011 raid against former al-Qa'ida leader Usama bin Laden, the 2013 Snowden leaks, and the impact on the social media and mobile

communications technology revolution.

<u>Assignments:</u> (none)

Questions: 1. What were some of the critical intelligence contributions that

contributed to the raid against former al-Qa'ida leader Usama bin Laden

in 2011?

2. Do you think that the intelligence information revealed by Edward Snowden in 2013 was ethical and moral to highlight abuses, or do you believe he harmed US national security through those disclosures?

3 During this decade what challenges did advances in social media and mobile communications technology have on US intelligence?

Readings:

Cozine, Keith. "Teaching the Intelligence Process: The Killing of Bin Laden as a Case Study." *Journal of Strategic Security*. Vol 6, No 3. Journal of Strategic Security. Fall 2013.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Hayden, Michael. "Beyond Snowden – An NSA Reality Check." *World Affairs*. Vol 176, No 5. January/February 2014. 10 pages. (Instructor will provide .pdf)

Owens, Robyn. "Chapters III & IV: Law Enforcement's Dilemma: Fighting 21st Century Encryption Technology with 20th Century Legislation." *Master's Thesis, Naval Postgraduate School.* March 2018. 33 pages.

(Instructor will provide .pdf)

Module 13 – April 17

Intelligence in the 2020s

Summary:

This module examines the state of US intelligence in the 2020s. It explores the opportunities and challenges associated with technologies like artificial intelligence and machine learning, and what changes are required in the future with a rebalancing of national security priorities away from counterterrorism.

Assignments:

Policy memo #2 due 9am April 17th

Questions:

- 1. What is the impact of the artificial intelligence and machine learning technology revolution on US intelligence?
- 2. How is the US intelligence community positioned to reorient to key national security priorities like great power competition, climate change, or cybersecurity?
- 3. What policy gaps and seams still exist in US intelligence on either the foreign or domestic fronts?

Readings:

Office of the Director of National Intelligence. 2023 Annual Threat Assessment. February 2023. 24 pages.

https://www.dni.gov/files/ODNI/documents/assessments/ATA-2023-Unclassified-Report.pdf

White House. *National Security Strategy*. October 2022. 39 pages. https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Biden-Harris-Administrations-National-Security-Strategy-10.2022.pdf

Module 14 – April 24

Student Panels – Post-9/11 Intelligence Topics

Summary: This module convenes student panels to examine the pros and cons of

the 2001 PATRIOT Act and 2004 IRTPA.

Assignments: Student panel #5 (2001 PATRIOT Act), student panel #6 (2004 IRTPA);

pro/con response and panel questions due 9am