



# EXTENDED CAMPUS

COLLEGE *of* PROFESSIONAL  
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## **IAS 5940-236: Topics in International Studies: Western Hemispheric Security – An American Dilemma**

### **Course Description:**

The world has changed tremendously since the end of the Cold War in many respects, security being chief among them. The relative global stability that the Cold War brought to the West has evolved over the past 20 years to become an inherently unstable and volatile one. The Western Hemisphere, traditionally comprised of Western Europe, North America and certain Pacific allies, has seen traditional threats to security change in nature and increase in complexity. The threat of the Soviet nuclear missile has been effectively replaced by a long list of smaller security problems, which are proving a significant challenge to counter. How has America chosen to manage security in the Western Hemisphere amidst all this change? The resulting dilemma for America is whether “to go it alone” or engage a myriad of international partners to ensure global stability – something that ultimately affects life at home.

### **Course Dates, Location and Hours:**

Dates: May 8 - 13, 2018  
Location: Wiesbaden, Germany. See Site Director for classroom site.  
Hours: Tuesday - Friday 6:00-9:30 pm; Saturday and Sunday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Last day to enroll or drop without penalty: April 9, 2018

### **Site Director:**

Email: [apwiesbaden@ou.edu](mailto:apwiesbaden@ou.edu). Phone: 0611-143-548-1309; DSN 548-1309.

### **Professor Contact Information:**

Course Professor: Lieutenant Colonel Bruce P Barnes (RCAF)  
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Virtual Office Hours: By appointment  
Professor availability: The professor will be available via e-mail to students during the above listed Virtual Office Hours and other methods by arrangement. On-site office hours are half an hour before and after each class session, by appointment.

### **Textbook(s) and Instructional Materials:**

Student materials are available at the OU Follett Bookstore located at 1185 Asp Avenue; Norman, OK, and can be ordered online, by phone, by email, or by fax. Ordering online at [www.oklahoma.bkstr.com](http://www.oklahoma.bkstr.com) is strongly recommended – students can track the status of their order within 48 hours. If an order has not been shipped within three days, students can contact the Follett textbook manager by phone (405) 325-3511, (800) 522-0772 (toll-free) or email [0831mgr@fhg.follett.com](mailto:0831mgr@fhg.follett.com). Phone orders (ask for the textbook manager and identify yourself as an Advanced Programs student) can be placed 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday; 10 a.m. to 4p.m. on Saturday (CST). Summer hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (CST). Fax orders can be placed 24 hours a day at (405) 325-7770. Text prices are available online.

1. Kay, S. (2015). *Global security in the twenty-first century: The quest for power and the search for peace* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed). Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield. ISBN 9781442248021.
2. Mandelbaum, M. (2016). *Mission failure: America and the world in the Post-Cold War era*. New York: Oxford University Press: ISBN 9780190469474.
3. Materials posted on the OU Canvas learning management system: Access Canvas at <https://canvas.ou.edu>, enter your OU NetID and password, and select course to access material. If you require assistance with Canvas, please click on the Help icon. You can search the Canvas guides, chat with Canvas support, or contact OU IT.

Note: Follett is the Advanced Programs contractual textbook provider. Should text changes become necessary after publication of the course syllabus, Advanced Programs will facilitate text returns/refunds only for texts purchased through Follett.

**Course Objectives:**

This course will study the historical and current themes of the American approach to international cooperation, alliance and security governance to make the West secure from external and internal threats. Students will identify the changing nature of security, stability and America’s policies towards the management of regional governance.

**Course of Study:**

The course will follow a series of 8 lectures with associated readings. Lecture slides will be available for download from the Canvas course webpage. These lectures are entitled:

1. The History of Western Hemispheric Security 1;
2. The History of Western Hemispheric Security 2;
3. Assessing the Threat - Abroad;
4. Assessing the Threat - Domestic;
5. International Cooperation;
6. American Security Alliances;
7. American Foreign Policy; and
8. American Public Opinion.

**Assignments, Grading, and Due Dates:**

Assignment	Due Date	Percent of Grade
Initial D2L Log-In and access course syllabus	7 May 2018	0
Participation	8-13 May 2018	25
Profile (5-6 pages)	27 May 2018	25
Paper (10-12 pages)	10 Jun 2018	50

**Grading:**

This is a letter-graded course: A, B, C, D, or F.

**Notice:** Failure to meet assignment due dates could result in a grade of I (Incomplete) and may adversely impact Tuition Assistance and/or Financial Aid.

**Incomplete Grade Policy:**

A grade of “I” is not automatically assigned, but rather must be requested by the student by submitting to the instructor a “Petition for and Work to Remove an Incomplete Grade” form. An “I” can never be used in lieu of an “F” nor can an “I” be assigned because of excessive failure to participate in class activities.

## **POLICIES AND NOTICES**

### **Attendance/Grade Policy**

Attendance and participation in interaction, individual assignments, group exercises, simulations, role playing, etc. are valuable aspects of any course because much of the learning comes from discussions in class with other students. It is expected that you attend all classes and be on time except for excused emergencies.

Excused absences are given for professor mandated activities or legally required activities such as emergencies or military assignments. It is the policy of the University to excuse absences of students that result from religious observances and to provide without penalty for the rescheduling of examinations and additional required class work that may fall on religious holidays. Unavoidable personal emergencies, including (but not limited to) serious illness; delays in getting to class because of accidents, etc.; deaths and funerals, and hazardous road conditions will be excused.

If you are obtaining financial assistance (TA, STAP, FA, VA, Scholarship, etc.) to pay all or part of your tuition cost, you must follow your funding agency/institution's policy regarding "I" (Incomplete) grades unless the timeline is longer than what the University policy allows then you must adhere to the University policy. Students who receive Financial Aid must resolve/complete any "I" (Incomplete) grades by the end of the term or he/she may be placed on "financial aid probation." If the "I" grade is not resolved/completed by the end of the following term, the student's Financial Aid may be suspended making the student ineligible for further Financial Aid.

Students are responsible for meeting the guidelines of Tuition Assistance and Veterans Assistance. See the education counselor at your local education center for a complete description of your TA or VA requirements.

### **Academic Integrity and Student Conduct**

Academic integrity means honesty and responsibility in scholarship. Academic assignments exist to help students learn; grades exist to show how fully this goal is attained. Therefore all work and all grades should result from the student's own understanding and effort.

Academic misconduct is any act which improperly affects the evaluation of a student's academic performance or achievement. Misconduct occurs when the student either knows or reasonably should know that the act constitutes misconduct. Academic misconduct includes: cheating and using unauthorized materials on examinations and other assignments; improper collaboration, submitting the same assignment for different classes (self-plagiarism); fabrication, forgery, alteration of documents, lying, etc...in order to obtain an academic advantage; assisting others in academic misconduct; attempting to commit academic misconduct; destruction of property, hacking, etc...; intimidation and interference with integrity process; and plagiarism. All students should review the Student's Guide to Academic Integrity at [http://integrity.ou.edu/students\\_guide.html](http://integrity.ou.edu/students_guide.html)

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. All students should review policies regarding student conduct at <http://studentconduct.ou.edu/>

### **Accommodation Statement**

The University of Oklahoma is committed to making its activities as accessible as possible. For accommodations on the basis of disability, please contact your local OU Site Director.

### **Adjustment for Pregnancy/Childbirth-Related Issues**

Should you need modifications or adjustments to your course requirements because of documented pregnancy-related or childbirth-related issues, please contact me as soon as possible to discuss. Generally, modifications will be made where medically necessary and similar in scope to accommodations based on temporary disability. Please see <http://www.ou.edu/content/eoo/faqs/pregnancy-faqs.html>.

## **Title IX Resources**

For any concerns regarding gender-based discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, stalking, or intimate partner violence, the University offers a variety of resources, including advocates on-call 24/7, counseling services, mutual no-contact orders, scheduling adjustments, and disciplinary sanctions against the perpetrator. Please contact the Sexual Misconduct Office at [smo@ou.edu](mailto:smo@ou.edu) or (405) 325-2215 (8-5), or the Sexual Assault Response Team at (405) 615 -0013 (24/7) to report an incident. To learn more about Title IX, please visit the Institutional Equity Office's website at <http://www.ou.edu/content/eoo.html>

## **Course Policies**

Advanced Programs policy is to order books in paperback if available. Courses, dates, and professors are subject to change. Please check with your OU Site Director. Students should retain a copy of any assignments that are mailed to the professor for the course. Advanced Programs does not provide duplicating services or office supplies.

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## **INSTRUCTOR VITA**

**Lieutenant-Colonel Bruce P Barnes, Royal Canadian Air Force**

### **Education**

- 2008 US Air Force Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, Alabama
- 2007 MA (War Studies) Royal Military College of Canada, Kingston, Ontario
- 1989 BA (History) York University, Glendon College, Toronto, Ontario

### **Current Positions**

- Senior Staff Officer, Canadian Forces Aerospace Warfare Centre, 8 Wing, Trenton, Ontario
- OU College of Liberal Studies lecturer since 2011
- College of International Studies (Advanced Programs) lecturer since 2008

### **Frequently Taught Courses**

- IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies: EU, NATO and European Security
- IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies: Afghanistan in Conflict
- IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies: Western Hemispheric Security – An American Dilemma
- IAS 5940 Topics in International Studies: International Terrorism
- CAS 5940 Independent Directed Reading: Post Cold-War Security Studies
- LTSD 5970 The Citizen as Soldier

### **Major Areas of Teaching and Research Interest**

- Modern European / North American Security Issues
- Post-Cold War Governance Systems

### **Representative Publications and Presentations**

- MA Thesis: “Fighters First: The Transition of the Royal Canadian Air Force 1945-1952”
- RCAF Command Doctrine B-GA-401 (2012 and 2014)
- RCAF Air Power Journal (numerous articles)