COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This is a survey of American attitudes and experiences in regard to war, peace, and the military from colonial times through the Civil War and Reconstruction. The course examines the development of military institutions (militia, National Guard, Army, Navy, and Marines). It also explores aspects of the nation's wartime experiences. The course covers technological and organizational developments, changing strategic doctrines, and the nationalization and professionalization of the armed forces. It also analyzes civilian attitudes towards war, peace, and the military, contours in civil-military relations, development of antiwar, peace, and disarmament movements, and the relationship of war, peace, and the military to U.S. foreign and national security policy and to American society and culture.