

Course Synopsis

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Course Description: This is a survey of American attitudes toward and developments in regard to war, peace, and the military, from colonial times through the Civil War. Course themes include the military obligations of citizenship; the roots and persistence of American anti-militarism, including pacifism; the attempted nationalization of defense missions and institutions by the federal government; the beginnings of an American profession of arms; and the impact of technology.

Special Permission Numbers: If you have not previously taken a course with the instructor, your request for a special permission number will be denied, so **DO NOT ASK**. If you have taken a course with him, know that you may be placed on a waiting list for a number, and that you might not be enrolled in the course.

Assignments: Students will write three papers, the last paper considering a course theme as it developed over the period. They will also take a midterm and a final examination. Class attendance and participation will determine the rest of the course average.

Short Papers	20%	(10% each)
Course Paper	20%	
Midterm Exam	22%	
Final Exam	28%	
Attendance & Participation	10%	
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Total	100%	

Prospective students with questions about the course are encouraged to contact the instructor.