The purpose of this course is to provide all interested students with a comprehensive analytical overview of the study of warfare. We will focus on the causal origins of war, the paradox of commitment, and the problem of combat compliance.

**Grades:**

One take-home mid-term (40%)

One take-home final (60%)

**Readings:**

**-Weeks 1-5:**

Fromkin, *Europe's Last Summer* (Entire)

Doyle, *Ways of War and Peace*; cluster of chapters titled Realism and Liberalism.

**-Week 5-10:**

McPherson, *For Cause and Comrades*

Meridale, *Ivan's War*

Kindsvatter, *American Soldiers*