Unit 2: America in the World

Note: Subject to change
Another Note: All readings should be completed by the date for which they’re assigned

Unit 2 Objectives:
• Argument and Persuasion
• Critical Reading and Critique
• Counterargument and Concession

Schedule of Readings and Activities

Discussion: Nations in the World
Workshop: Argument and Persuasion

M 10/30  Readings: Colson, “Just War, Preemption, and Iraq” (144); Berry, “A Citizen’s Response to the National Security Strategy of the United States of America” (161); Carter, “Nobel Peace Prize Lecture” (147)
Discussion: Preemption and Unilateralism
Workshop: Critical Reading: Logos and Logical Fallacies

W 11/1   Readings: Roy, “Excerpts from War Talk” (154); Archibugi and Young, “Envisioning a Global Rule of Law” (168)
Discussion: Alternate Visions of a Global Future
Workshop: Writing Critiques

M 11/6   Take-home critique assignment due
Readings: Oxfam, “Globalisation” (108); Reich, “Why the Rich Are Getting Richer and the Poor, Poorer” (122)
Discussion: Globalization, Democracy and Inequality
Workshop: Developing a Thesis

W 11/8   Readings: Boyle, Excerpts from The Tortilla Curtain (handout)
Discussion: The Global and the Local
Workshop: Counterargument and Concession

M 11/13  Peer Review
Rough draft of Essay #2 due: bring two copies to class

W 11/15  Unit 2 Portfolio Due
Unit 2 Presentations