

MALS Elective Course  
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**U.S. Foreign Policy: A Closer Look**

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Does American foreign policy matter to you? Does it affect your life? You bet it does! This course will examine the origins of U.S. foreign policy--who are the people and what are the institutions that formulate our foreign policy? We will look as well at those people and institutions that implement American foreign policy, and we will evaluate current policies that clearly effect the economic and political life of the nation.

Students will be asked to bring news items to class that relate to U.S foreign policy, and to read presidential and other speeches that outline foreign policy goals. We will also use online resources to study expert opinions in journals like Foreign Policy.

The course textbook is Steven W. Hook's *U.S. Foreign Policy: The Paradox of World Power*, published by the Congressional Quarterly Press, Washington, DC, 2005.