

Spring 2010
MALS667-010
Presidential Character
Professor Gary May
Wednesday 6:00 to 9:00pm

It has been said that anybody who wants to be President of the United States should have his (or her) head examined. This course will do exactly that by focusing on JFK, LBJ, Nixon, Reagan, Clinton, and Bush-43. How did their backgrounds and personalities affect their conduct as President? Readings, film documentaries, lively discussion, and paper required.

Book 1

Author: William Chafe
Title: Private Lives/Public Consequences
Publisher: Harvard University Press
Edition: H **ISBN:** 067401877X

Book 2

Author: Doris Kearns Goodwin
Title: Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream
Publisher: St. Martins Griffin
Edition: P **ISBN:** 0312060270

Book 3

Author: David Burner
Title: John F. Kennedy and a New Generation
Publisher: Pearson Longman 3rd edition
Edition: P **ISBN:** 978-0-2-5-60345-9

Book 4

Author: Elizabeth Drew
Title: Richard Nixon: American Presidents Series
Publisher: Times Books
Edition: H **ISBN:** 0805069631

Book 5

Author: Jules Tygiel
Title: Roanld Reagan and the Triumph of American Conservatism
Publisher: Pearson Longman 2nd edition
Edition: P **ISBN:** 0536125430

Book 6

Author: Jacob Weisberg
Title: The Bush Tragedy
Publisher: Random House Trade Paperbacks
Edition: P **ISBN:** 0812978358