This course is a tour d’horizon of recent work in international relations. Each week we will discuss, in depth, one book. We will talk about where the book fits in the field, where it attempts to take the field, we will assess the logic of the argument, the nature of the empirical work, its implications, etc. The books vary on a variety of dimensions. They evince a variety of methods and orientations. There are books by senior scholars and there are revised dissertations. There are works in international political economy and security as well as ones focused on ethnic conflict and nationalism.

Requirements: Course attendance, reading, in-class presentations, and perhaps a smallish paper.

Readings:


