

THE COLD WAR

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Tuesday, 3-6pm
253 Himes

The Cold War is the most significant historical event for the second half of the twentieth century.



This course will examine a variety of historical styles of explanation, including memoirs, archival documents, interpretive essays, on-line sources, and various forms of visual propaganda, including feature films and television news film.

A goal of the course is to demonstrate the worldwide reach of the Cold War, though by no means will significant events within American society be ignored.

Students will gain a strong understanding of up-to-date historiography of the Cold War, as well as how much Cold War fears shaped the imaginative life of two generations. This course is for able students; each week the reading is no more than 150 pages; each week a short 2-3 page paper is due.