The paper is due **FRIDAY, APRIL 30 by 5:00 P.M.**

Select one of the following topics for your 9-12 page scholarly paper. You should rely heavily on the readings assigned for class when writing your paper.

1. What foreign policy actions did Washington take during the war between France and Great Britain in the 1790s? Why did he take such actions? Why did Hamilton and Jefferson disagree over Washington’s foreign policy with regard to France and Great Britain?

2. What did the doctrines of “neutrality” and “limited intervention” mean to Founding-era statesmen? How were they influenced by social compact theory and the principles of the Declaration of Independence? How did Founding-era statesmen apply these doctrines in practice during the early nineteenth century?

3. What was the intent of the Monroe Doctrine, and how was it a culmination of the foreign policy theory of the American Founding?

4. How did Theodore Roosevelt’s Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine affect foreign policy in the early twentieth century? Were the “police” actions of the United States in the western hemisphere under Roosevelt’s administration compatible with the original intent of the Monroe Doctrine, or did they go beyond the original scope of the Monroe Doctrine?

5. What were the key differences between the Founding and Progressive theories of foreign policy? How did these differences manifest themselves in the foreign policy actions of the early twentieth century?

6. Contemporary scholars like to distinguish between “Hard Wilsonianism” and “Soft Wilsonianism.” What do they mean by each? How do they derive these labels from Wilson’s own foreign policy thought? How does Wilson’s foreign policy thought manifest itself in later or contemporary American foreign policy?

7. In what ways did aspects of Founding-era and Progressive foreign policy thought carry over into Cold War strategies?

8. Evaluate the strategies of American foreign policy during the Cold War. Which seemed to be successful, and which did not? How and why did these policies change and evolve over the course of the Cold War?

9. The end of the Cold War brought new challenges to American security. What were those challenges and how did American foreign policy attempt to deal with them?

10. Evaluate the contemporary polices of preventive action, regime change and democratic state building. Are these contemporary policies derived from Founding-era, Progressive, or Cold War foreign policy thought?