

HISTORY 490
Senior Seminar: Historical Research and Writing

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Monday
2:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Section #2

REQUIRED TEXTS:

Hogan, Michael J. and Thomas G. Paterson (eds.). Explaining the History of American Foreign Relations. Cambridge.
Seminar Handbook. Mr. Kopy.
Zinsser, William. On Writing Well: An Informal Guide to Writing Nonfiction. Harper. Sixth Edition

MAIN PRIMARY SOURCES:

U.S. Department of State Bulletin. S1.3
U.S. Foreign Relations of the United States. S1.1 <http://digicoll.library.wisc.edu/FRUS/>
U.S. Public Papers of the Presidents. GS4.113

COURSE OBJECTIVE:

HIST 490 is specifically designed for undergraduate history majors. It will attempt to provide the student with an opportunity to demonstrate his/her skills in research and writing in history. HIST 490 has a major writing component because it is the writing proficiency (WP) course for history majors, open only to students who have completed HIST 290 and ENGL 130 with a grade of C- or higher. It will focus on writing a research paper on a topic related to U.S. foreign relations from 1865 to around 1970 preferably in East Asia. There also will be some reading and discussing of historiographical materials. Student papers in this course will receive evaluation to determine the extent to which the program is preparing majors to master its Student Learning Outcomes.

CLASS MEETINGS:

Each class is two hours and thirty minutes in length, divided into two sessions designated as A and B in the class schedule below. There will be a brief break after the first session, which normally will last for one hour and ten minutes.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. **READING ASSIGNMENTS:** Each student will select from the attached list a topic to report on during the second class meeting on 31 August. This will involve reading the articles listed and providing an eight-minute (approximately) summary and critique for classroom discussion. This assignment will provide students with the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of History Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) 4 and 5.
2. **BOOK REVIEW:** Each student will write a review of the most important book consulted in the conduct of research for his/her seminar paper. This review must be not less than three (3) and not more than four (4) double-spaced, type-written pages of text in length. Your grade on the review will be reduced one-third grade level for each portion of a page less or more than this stated length in courier, arial, or bookman font. This assignment will provide students with the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of History SLOs 2 and 5.
3. Each student will present a PowerPoint progress report (at least six slides) on his/her research paper that is ten minutes in length on either 12 October or 19 October. This assignment will provide the opportunity to demonstrate mastery SLOs 1, 2, 3, and 4.

4. RESEARCH PAPER: This paper will be not less that twenty (20) and not more than twenty-five (25) double-spaced, type-written pages (excluding endnotes and bibliography) in length in COURIER FONT AND 12 POINT ONLY. Your grade on the paper will be reduced one-third of a grade level for each page less or more than the required length. You must submit TWO (15) copies of the final draft of your paper on 9 November, one for instructor grading and one for student critique. E-mail the paper to all other students. This assignment will provide the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of SLOs 1, 2, 3, and 4.
4. CRITIQUE: Each student will provide an oral critique of one of the student papers in the class on December 7 or December 14. This presentation will summarize main thesis, subjects and scope, and strengths and weaknesses of the paper. This assignment will provide the opportunity to demonstrate mastery SLOs 1, 2, 3, and 4.

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GRADING:

Value Distribution:

Historiography Report	10%
Progress Report	5%
Book Report	10%
Research Paper	50%
Revised Paper	10%
Critique	5%
Discussion	10%

Evaluation Standards for Research Paper (20% each):

1. Content and Organization
2. Quality of Prose
3. Adequacy and Style of Documentation
4. Analysis and Interpretation
5. Care and Accuracy in Preparation (**half on endnotes and bibliography**)

PUNCTUALITY:

You are expected to complete all assignments on the dates scheduled. Extensions and make-up will be given only in the most dire emergencies and **ONLY IF YOU HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED DATE!**

BORDERLINE GRADES:

In the event that your final overall average is on the borderline, final determination will be based on the extent of your participation in classroom discussion.

ATTENDANCE:

You will be required to attend ALL classes. For each class missed, you will receive a zero or no credit for 10% of your final overall grade. Open heart surgery would be an example of a reason justifying an excused absence. **THIS PENALTY WILL BE RUTHLESSLY ENFORCED!**

CLASS SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
August 24:	A: Course Requirements Introductions Discussion of Sources B: Internet Research <i>History News Network</i> (http://www.hnn.us/), H-Net (http://www.h-net.org/), and http://chnm.gmu.edu .	Assign Historiography Readings from the attached list of articles Join (in class) two H-Net discussion lists and monitor until 30 November Assign articles from Hogan and Paterson
31:	A: What is Diplomatic History? SIX student reports B: NINE student Reports	Read Maier and responses in Handbook Read assigned Historiography articles REQUIRED MEETING WITH MATRAY
September 14:	A: Choice of Research Topics Discuss Paper Proposals B: Hogan and Paterson, pp. 1-136	Read List of Sources in Handbook Write a one page single-spaced abstract and bring 15 copies to class Read 7 articles as assigned
21:	A: Sources B: Hogan and Paterson, pp. 137-240	Skim any single FRUS volume Read 7 articles as assigned
28:	A: Discussion of Problems Writing Book Reviews B: Hogan and Paterson, pp. 241-352	Seminar Handbook Section #1, pp. 1-8 Read four articles in Seminar Handbook Read 6 articles as assigned
October 5:	A: Historical Writing B: Endnotes and Bibliography	Zinsser, 3-147 Seminar Handbook Section #1, pp. 9-15
12:	A: Historical Writing B: Seven Progress Reports	Zinsser, 179-294 (OPTIONAL) NOTE: BOOK REVIEWS DUE!
19:	A: Eight Progress Reports B: Discuss Book Reviews	assign papers for critiques select day and time for conference
26:	A: Endnotes B: Bibliography	bring 15 copies of first page of endnotes bring 15 copies of your bibliography
November 2:	MANDATORY UNPAID FURLOUGH DAY—NO CLASS	RESEARCH
9:	NO CLASS	NOTE: RESEARCH PAPERS DUE!
12-20:	Individual Student Conferences	day and time to be assigned
16:	Student Evaluation and Survey	ATTENDANCE REQUIRED
30:	Distribute Final Papers Reports on H-Net Discussion Lists	BRING 2 PERFECT COPIES OF REVISED PAPER AND E-MAIL COPY
December 7:	A: Discuss Moe Papers B: Discuss Curley Papers	Read 8 TBA papers Prepare to report on assigned paper
14:	A: Discuss Larry Papers B: Discuss Shemp Papers	Read 7 TBA papers Prepare to report on assigned paper

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) for the History Major

1. Student's work demonstrates critical use and proper citation of both primary and secondary sources.
2. Student's work employs the formal styles of writing, argumentation, and presentation that historians use.
3. Student's work demonstrates a basic mastery of research techniques that historians use.
4. Oral presentations are clear and comprehensive.
5. Student's work reflects an understanding of historiographic traditions.
6. Student's work reflects an understanding of the intellectual, political, economic, social, and cultural history of the United States, Europe, Classical Civilization, the Near East, or one "Non-Western" area.
7. Student's work reflects an understanding of the roles of race, class, gender, or ethnicity in history.

Historiography Assignments

MANDATORY TOPICS:

1. Foundations: (104 pages)

Laurence Evans, "The Dangers of Diplomatic History," in The State of American History, edited by Herbert J. Bass (Chicago, 1970), 142-56.

Ernest R. May, "The Decline of Diplomatic History," in American History: Retrospect and Prospect, edited by George Athan Billias and Gerald N. Grob (New York, 1971), 399-430.

Charles E. Neu, "The Changing Interpretive Structure of American Foreign Policy," in Twentieth Century American Foreign Policy, edited by John Braeman (Columbus, OH, 1971), 1-57.

2. Traditionalists and Realists: (101 pages)

Jerald A. Combs, "Norman A. Graebner and the Realist View of American Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 11 (Summer 1987): 251-64.

Mark T. Gilderhus, "Samuel Flagg Bemis and the Study of U.S.-Latin American Relations," Diplomatic History 21 (Winter 1997): 1-13.

Norman A. Graebner, "Introduction," in America as a World Power: A Realist Appraisal from Wilson to Reagan, edited by Norman A. Graebner (Wilmington, DE, 1984), xiii-xxviii.

Lester D. Langley, "The Diplomatic Historians: Bailey and Bemis," SHAFR Newsletter IV (December 1974): 2-6.

Richard W. Leopold, "The History of United States Foreign Relations," in The Future of History, edited by Charles F. Delzell (Nashville, TN, 1977), pp. 231-46.

Geoffrey S. Smith, et al., "Diplomatic Historians and Their Impact," Diplomatic History 9 (Fall 1985): 293-328.

3. The Wisconsin (New Left) School: (101 pages)

Robert Buzzanco, "What Happened to the New Left?: Toward a Radical Reading of American Foreign Relations," Diplomatic History 23 (Fall 1999): 575-607.

A.E. Campbell, et al., "The Wisconsin School of Diplomatic History," Reviews in American History 2 (December 1974): 586-605.

Gary R. Hess, "After the Tumult: The Wisconsin School's Tribute to William Appleman Williams," Diplomatic History 12 (Fall 1988): 483-99.

Bradford Perkins, "'The Tragedy of American Diplomacy': Twenty-five Years After," Reviews in American History 12 (March 1984): 1-18.

J.A. Thomson, "William Appleman Williams and the 'American Empire'," Journal of American Studies 7 (1973): 91-104.

4. Revisions of Revisionism: (105 pages)

Jerald A. Combs, "Cold War Historiography: An Alternative to John Gaddis's Post-Revisionism," SHAHR Newsletter 15 (June 1984): 9-19.

Bruce Cumings, "'Revising Postrevisionism,' or, The Poverty of Theory in Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 17 (Fall 1993): 539-69.

John Lewis Gaddis, "The Emerging Post-Revisionist Synthesis on the Cold War," Diplomatic History 7 (Summer 1983): 171-91.

Lloyd C. Gardner, et al., "Responses to John Lewis Gaddis," Diplomatic History 7 (Summer 1983): 190-204.

Fredrik Logevall, "A Critique of Containment," Diplomatic History 28 (September 2004): 473-99.

5. Race and U.S. Foreign Relations: (104 pages)

Carol Anderson, "From Hope to Disillusion: African Americans, the United Nations, and the Struggle for Human Rights, 1944-1947," Diplomatic History 20 (Fall 1996): 531-63.

Gerald Horne, "Race from Power: U.S. Foreign Policy and the General Crisis of 'White Supremacy'," Diplomatic History 23 (Summer 1999): 437-61.

Michael L. Krenn, "'Unfinished Business': Segregation and U.S. Diplomacy at the 1958 World's Fair," Diplomatic History 20 (Fall 1996): 591-612.

Brenda Plummer, "'Below the Level of Men': African Americans, Race, and U.S. Foreign Relations," Diplomatic History 20 (Fall 1996): 639-50.

Penny Von Eschen, "Challenging Cold War Habits: African Americans, Race, and Foreign Policy," Diplomatic History 20 (Fall 1996): 627-38.

6. Culturalism and Internationalism: (102 pages)

Michael H. Hunt, "The Long Crisis in U.S. Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 16 (Winter 1992): 115-40.

Akira Iriye, "Culture and Power: International Relations as Intercultural Relations," Diplomatic History 3 (Spring 1979): 115-28.

Sally Marks, "The World According to Washington," Diplomatic History 11 (Summer 1987): 265-82.

Ernest R. May, "Writing Contemporary International History," Diplomatic History 8 (Spring 1984): 103-14.

Michael S. Sherry, "War and Weapons: The New Cultural History," Diplomatic History 14 (Summer 1990): 433-46.

William O. Walker, "Drug Control and the Issue of Culture in American Foreign Relations," Diplomatic History 12 (Fall 1988): 365-82.

7. Practical Utility and Public Opinion: (100 pages)

David L. Anderson, "SHAFR Fortieth Anniversary Forum," Diplomatic History 31 (June 2007): 435-38.

Lawrence E. Gelfand, "American Foreign Policy and Public Opinion," Reviews in American History 5 (September 1977): 418-25.

Jeffrey P. Kimball, "The Influence of Ideology on Interpretive Disagreement: A Report on a Survey of Diplomatic, Military, and Peace Historians on the Causes of 20th Century U.S. Wars," History Teacher 17 (May 1984): 355-84.

Ralph B. Levering, "The Importance of the History of American Foreign Relations," Organization of American Historians Newsletter 12 (May 1984): 20-22.

Ralph B. Levering, "Public Opinion, Foreign Policy, and American Politics Since the 1960s," Diplomatic History 13 (Summer 1989): 383-93.

James I. Matray, et al., "Good Day Sunshine: Our Meeting with President Kim Dae-jung of South Korea," SHAFR Newsletter 31 (September 2000): 20-27.

Lisle A. Rose, "The Trenches and the Towers: Differing Perspectives on the Writing and Making of American Diplomatic History," Pacific Historical Review 55 (February 1986): 97-101.

Thomas Schoonover, "'It's Not What We Say, It's What We Do': The Study and Writing of U.S. Foreign Relations in the United States," SHAFR Newsletter 31 (June 2000): 11-30.

Nancy B. Tucker, "Alone in the Policy Jungle: An Academic Braves the Department of State," Diplomatic History 11 (Fall 1987): 291-301.

8. Corporatism and Environmentalism: (101 pages)

- John G. Clark, "Making Environmental Diplomacy an Integral Part of Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 21 (Summer 1997): 453-60.
- Nick Cullather, "Miracles of Modernization: The Green Revolution and the Apotheosis of Technology," Diplomatic History 28 (April 2004): 227-54.
- Kurk Dorsey, "Dealing with the Dinosaur (and its Swamp): Putting the Environment in Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 29 (September 2005): 573-587.
- John Lewis Gaddis, "The Corporatist Synthesis: A Skeptical View," Diplomatic History 10 (Fall 1986): 357-62.
- Michael J. Hogan, "Corporatism: A Positive Appraisal," Diplomatic History 10 (Fall 1986): 363-72.
- Mark H. Lytle, "An Environmental Approach to American Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 20 (Spring 1996): 279-300.
- Thomas J. McCormick, "Drift or Mastery?: A Corporatist Synthesis for American Diplomatic History," Reviews in American History 10 (December 1982): 319-30.

9. Gender and Culture: (106 pages)

- Frank Costigliola, "The Nuclear Family: Tropes of Gender and Pathology in the Western Alliance," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 163-83.
- Robert D. Dean, "Masculinity as Ideology: John F. Kennedy and the Domestic Politics of Foreign Policy," Diplomatic History 22 (Winter 1998): 29-62.
- Susan Jeffords, "Culture and National Identity in U.S. Foreign Policy," Diplomatic History 18 (Winter 1994): 91-96.
- Amy Kaplan, "Domesticating Foreign Policy," Diplomatic History 18 (Winter 1994): 97-105.
- Bruce Kuklick, "Confessions of an Intransigent Revisionist about Cultural Studies," Diplomatic History 18 (Winter 1994): 121-24.
- Elaine Tyler May, "Ideology and Foreign Policy: Culture and Gender in Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 18 (Winter 1994): 71-78.
- Emily S. Rosenberg, "'Foreign Affairs' after World War II: Connecting Sexual and International Politics," Diplomatic History 18 (Winter 1994): 59-70.
- Geoffrey S. Smith, "Security, Gender, and the Historical Process," Diplomatic History 18 (Winter 1994): 79-90.

10. Interdisciplinary and Globalization: (103 pages)

John Lewis Gaddis, "New Conceptual Approaches to the Study of American Foreign Relations: Interdisciplinary Perspectives," Diplomatic History 14 (Summer 1990): 405-23.

Michael Hogan, "The 'Next Big Thing': The Further of Diplomatic History in a Global Age," Diplomatic History 28 (January 2004): 1-21.

Richard H. Immerman, "The History of U.S. Foreign Policy: A Plea for Pluralism," Diplomatic History 14 (Fall 1990): 574-83.

Akira Iriye, "A Century of NGOs," Diplomatic History 23 (Summer 1999): 421-35.

Mark H. Lytle, "NGOs and the New Transnational Politics," Diplomatic History 25 (Winter 2001): 121-28.

Thomas J. McCormick, "Something Old, Something New: John Lewis Gaddis's 'New Conceptual Approaches'," Diplomatic History 14 (Summer 1990): 425-31.

Thomas W. Zeiler, "Just Do It!: Globalization for Diplomatic Historians," Diplomatic History 25 (Fall 2001): 529-51.

11. Women and U.S. Foreign Relations: (109 pages)

Catherine Allgor, "'A Republican in a Monarchy': Louisa Catherine Adams in Russia," Diplomatic History 21 (Winter 1997): 15-43.

Rosemary Foot, "Where Are the Women?: The Gender Dimension in the Study of International Relations," Diplomatic History 14 (Fall 1990): 615-22.

Rhodri Jeffreys-Jones, "America's Missing Sisters," SHAFR Newsletter 26 (September 1995): 16-28.

Molly M. Wood, "'Commanding Beauty' and 'Gentle Charm': American Women And Gender in the Early Twentieth-Century Foreign Service," Diplomatic History 31 (June 2007): 505-30.

Judith Papachristou, "American Women and Foreign Policy, 1898-1905: Exploring Gender in Diplomatic History," Diplomatic History 14 (Fall 1990): 493-509.

Shannon Smith, "From Relief to Revolution: American Women and the Russian-American Relationship, 1891-1917," Diplomatic History 19 (Fall 1995): 601-16.

12. U.S. Intelligence: (105 pages)

Robert L. Beisner, "The Secretary, the Spy, and the Sage: Dean Acheson,

- Alger Hiss, and George Kennan," Diplomatic History 27 (January 2003): 1-14.
- John Ferris, "Coming in From the Cold War: Historiography of American Intelligence," Diplomatic History 19 (Winter 1995): 87-115.
- Gerald K. Haines. "An Emerging New Field of Study: U.S. Intelligence," Diplomatic History 28 (June 2004): 441-449.
- Richard H. Immerman, "Intelligence and Strategy: Historicizing Psychology, Policy, and Politics," Diplomatic History 32 (January 2008): 1-23.
- Michael E. Parrish, "Soviet Espionage and the Cold War," Diplomatic History 25 (Winter 2001): 105-20.
- Robert D. Schulzinger, "Transparency, Secrecy, and Citizenship," Diplomatic History 25 (Spring 2001): 165-78.

ADDITIONAL TOPICS:

13. Early U.S. Foreign Relations: (101 pages)

- Doron Ben-Atar, "Nationalism, Neo-Merchantilism, and Diplomacy: Rethinking the Franklin Mission," Diplomatic History 22 (Winter 1998): 101-114.
- Kinley Brauer, "The Great American Desert Revisited: Recent Literature and Prospects for the Study of American Foreign Relations, 1815-1861," Diplomatic History 13 (Summer 1989): 395-417.
- Jay Gitlin, "Private Diplomacy to Private Property: States, Tribes, and Nations in the Early National Period," Diplomatic History 22 (Winter 1998): 87-99.
- Peter S. Onuf, "A Declaration of Independence for Diplomatic Historians," Diplomatic History 22 (Winter 1998): 71-83.
- Bradford Perkins, "Early American Foreign Relations: Opportunities and Challenges," Diplomatic History 22 (Winter 1998): 115-120.
- Emily S. Rosenberg, "A Call to Revolution: A Roundtable on Early U.S. Foreign Relations," Diplomatic History 22 (Winter 1998): 63-70.
- William Earl Weeks, "New Directions in the Study of Early American Foreign Relations," Diplomatic History 17 (Winter 1993): 73-96.

14. United States and East Asia: (102 pages)

- Warren I. Cohen, "The History of American-East Asian Relations: Cutting Edge of the Historical Profession," Diplomatic History 9 (Spring 1985): 101-12.
- Rosemary Foot, "Making Known the Unknown War: Policy Analysis of the Korean Conflict in the Last Decade," Diplomatic History 15 (Summer

1991): 411-31.

Akira Iriye, "Contemporary History as History: American Expansion into the Pacific Since 1941," Pacific Historical Review 53 (May 1984): 191-212.

Robert J. McMahon, "The Cold War in Asia: Toward a New Synthesis?," Diplomatic History 12 (Summer 1988): 307-27.

James I. Matray, "The United States and East Asia in the Postwar Era," in A Companion to Post-1945 America, edited by Roy Rosenzweig and Jean-Christophe Agnew (Blackwell, 2002), 446-63.

Christopher Thorne, "After the Europeans: American Designs for the Remaking of Southeast Asia," Diplomatic History 12 (Spring 1988): 201-208.

15: The Vietnam War: (105 pages)

David L. Anderson, "Why Vietnam? Postrevisionist Answers and a Neorealist Suggestion," Diplomatic History 13 (Summer 1989): 419-29.

George C. Herring, "Vietnam Remembered," Journal of American History 73 (June 1986): 152-64.

Gary R. Hess, "The Military Perspective on Strategy in Vietnam: Harry Summers' On Strategy and Bruce Palmer's The 25-Year War," Diplomatic History 10 (Winter 1986): 91-106.

Gary R. Hess, "The Unending Debate: Historians and the Vietnam War," Diplomatic History 18 (Spring 1994): 239-64.

Edward Miller, et al., "A Roundtable on Mark Moyar's Triumph Foresaken: The Vietnam War, 1954-1965," Passport 38 (December 2007): 5-22.

Andrew J. Rotter, "Operation Exculpation," Diplomatic History 21 (Fall 1997): 657-62.

Harry Summers, "Vietnam: A Truncated History," Diplomatic History 21 (Fall 1997): 652-56.

Marilyn B. Young, "Revisionists Revised: The Case of Vietnam," SHAFR Newsletter 10 (June 1979): 1-10.

16: Reinterpreting the Cold War: (101 pages)

Robert D. English, "Sources, Methods, and Competing Perspectives on the End of the Cold War," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 283-94.

Raymond L. Garthoff, "Some Observations on Using the Soviet Archives," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 243-57.

Jonathan Haslam, "Russian Archival Revelations and Our Understanding of the Cold War," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 217-28.

- Robert C. Tucker, "The Cold War in Stalin's Time: What the New Sources Reveal," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 273-281.
- Odd Arne Westad, "The New International History of the Cold War: Three (Possible) Paradigms," Diplomatic History 24 (Fall 2000): 551-65.
- Odd Arne Westad, "Secrets of the Second World: The Russian Archives and the Reinterpretation of Cold War History," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 259-71.
- William C. Wohlforth, "New Evidence on Moscow's Cold War: Ambiguity in Search of Theory," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 229-42.
- Vladislav Zubok, "Stalin's Plans and Russian Archives," Diplomatic History 21 (Spring 1997): 295-305.

17. World War II: (105 pages)

- Michael A. Barnhart, "The Origins of the Second World War in Asia and the Pacific," Diplomatic History 20 (Spring 1996): 241-60.
- Justus D. Doenecke, "U.S. Policy and the European War, 1939-41," Diplomatic History 19 (Fall 1995): 669-698.
- Warren F. Kimball, "The Incredible Shrinking War: The Second World War, Not (Just) the Origins of the Cold War," Diplomatic History 25 (Summer 2001): 347-65.
- Loyd E. Lee, "We Have Just Begun to Write," Diplomatic History 25 (Summer 2001): 367-81.
- Anders Stephanson, "War and Diplomacy," Diplomatic History 25 (Summer 2001): 393-403.
- Mark A. Stoler, "The Second World War in U.S. History and Memory," Diplomatic History 25 (Summer 2001): 383-92.

18. Dropping the Atomic Bomb: (112 pages)

- Barton J. Bernstein, "Understanding the Atomic Bomb and the Japanese Surrender: Missed Opportunities, Little-Known Near Disasters, and Modern Memory," Diplomatic History 19 (Spring 1995): 227-73.
- Herbert P. Bix, "Japan's Delayed Surrender: A Reinterpretation," Diplomatic History 19 (Spring 1995): 197-225.
- Paul Boyer, "Exotic Resonances: Hiroshima in American Memory," Diplomatic History 19 (Spring 1995): 297-318.
- J. Samuel Walker, "Recent Literature on Truman's Atomic Bomb Decision: A Search for Middle Ground," Diplomatic History 29 (April 2005): 311-324.