

Jihad/Just War (RGST 119c)

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Textbook Store

- Ahmad al-Dawwoody, *The Islamic Laws of War* (New York: Palgrave, 2011).

Additional Reading

- M. D. Bonner, *Jihad in Islamic History* (Princeton: PUP, 2008).
- Richard Tuck, *The Rights of War and Peace* (Oxford: OUP, 2000).
- Ibn Rushd, *Bidayat al-Mujtahid* (Chapter on Jihad; in-class readings)---will be provided by me.

Additional materials will be made available in class.

Description

Jihad and just war are unfortunate, often misunderstood terms. This class is an overview of the basic steps in their histories. Activities in class will vary between presentation by me and discussion. The golden rule is 'problems you create by missing a class are your problems.' I expect 100% attendance. I will not reply to emails requesting materials that were distributed in class while you were absent. Be in touch with a classmate for things like this.

Grading

40% oral participation; 60 % final paper

Plan

April 3	Introduction
April 5	Dawwoody Ch. 1
April 10	Dawwoody Ch. 2a; Tuck: Selections
April 12	Dawwoody Ch. 2b; Tuck: Selections
April 17	Dawwoody Ch. 3a
April 19	Dawwoody Ch. 3b
April 24	Dawwoody Ch. 4a
April 26	Dawwoody Ch. 4b
May 1	Dawwoody Ch. 5a
May 3	Dawwoody Ch. 5b
May 8	Bonner Ch. 1

May 10	Bonner Ch. 2
May 15	Bonner Ch. 3
May 17	Bonner Ch. 4
May 22	Bonner Ch. 5
May 24	Bonner Ch. 6
May 29	Bonner Ch. 7
May 31	Bonner Ch. 8
June 5	Ahmad (selections from <i>Islam, Modernity, Violence, and Everyday Life</i> (New York: Palgrave, 2009).
June 7	Debates