

**FALL 2009**

**AMST 212:**  
**CONTEMPORARY**  
**AMERICAN GLOBAL ISSUES**

**TIME:** TUESDAY/THURSDAY  
10:30AM TO 11:45AM (SECTION 1)  
12:00PM TO 1:15PM (SECTION 2)

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**Course Description:** This course is an exploration of contemporary global issues and attitudes within their historical contexts. It will track the influence of American values and institutions in the world and analyze the effects of US foreign policy from Asia to the Middle East. Our topics will take into account the diversity of American values and perspectives. These will include, but will not be limited to, foreign policy, the economy, the environment, national security, international diplomacy, and war. Concurrently, we will discuss the present role of the US in the world. Although we will be primarily looking at these issues within their historical context, the course is designed to draw on a variety of materials including film, literature, newspapers, documentaries, current news reports and other primary source material such as government documents. This is a writing intensive (W) course.