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Slow Anti-Americanism
Social Movements and Symbolic Politics in Central Asia
Edward Schatz
Negative views of the United States abound, but we know too little about how such views affect politics. Based on careful research on post-Soviet Central Asia, Edward Schatz argues that anti-Americanism is best seen not as a rising tide that swamps or as a conflagration that overwhelms. Rather, “America” is a symbolic resource that resides quietly in the mundane but always has potential value for social and political mobilizers. Using a wide range of evidence, Schatz considers how Islamist movements, human rights activists, and labor mobilizers across Central Asia avail themselves of this fact, thus changing their ability to pursue their respective agendas. Schatz refocuses our analytic gaze away from high politics for a clearer view of the slower moving, partially occluded, and socially embedded processes that ground how “America” becomes political.
“Fresh, strikingly original, with the wisdom of the long view.”
—Alexander Cooley, Columbia University

Whose Life Is Worth More?
Hierarchies of Risk and Death in Contemporary Wars
Yağil Levy
Modern democracies face tough life-and-death choices in armed conflicts. Chief among them is how to weigh the value of soldiers’ lives against those of civilians on both sides. The first of its kind, Whose Life Is Worth More? reveals that how these decisions are made is much more nuanced than conventional wisdom suggests. When these states are entangled in prolonged conflicts, hierarchies emerge and evolve to weigh the value of human life.
Cultural narratives about the nature and necessity of war, public rhetoric about external threats facing the nation, antiwar movements, and democratic values all contribute to the perceived validity of civilian and soldier deaths. By looking beyond the military to the cultural and political factors that shape policies, this book provides tools to understand how democracies really decide whose life is worth more.
“A tour de force. Theoretically innovative and empirically rich.”
—Thomas W. Smith, University of South Florida, St. Petersburg

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Aiding and Abetting
U.S. Foreign Assistance and State Violence
Jessica Trisko Darden

The United States is the world’s leading foreign aid donor. Yet there has been little inquiry into how such assistance affects recipient nations. Drawing on four decades of data on U.S. economic and military aid, Aiding and Abetting explores whether foreign aid does more harm than good. Jessica Trisko Darden challenges long-standing ideas about aid and highlights key patterns in the relationship between assistance and violence. She persuasively demonstrates that many of the foreign aid policy challenges the U.S. faced in the Cold War era, such as the propping up of dictators friendly to U.S. interests, remain salient today. Historical case studies of Indonesia, El Salvador, and South Korea illustrate how aid can uphold human freedoms or propagate human rights abuses. Aiding and Abetting encourages both advocates and critics of foreign assistance to reconsider its political and social consequences by focusing international aid efforts on the expansion of human freedom.

Leadership Decapitation
Strategic Targeting of Terrorist Organizations
Jenna Jordan

One of the central pillars of US counterterrorism policy is that capturing or killing a terrorist group’s leader is effective. Yet this pillar rests more on a foundation of faith than facts. In Leadership Decapitation, Jenna Jordan examines over a thousand instances of leadership targeting—-involving groups such as Hamas, al Qaeda, Shining Path, and ISIS—to identify the successes, failures, and unintended consequences of this strategy. As Jordan demonstrates, group infrastructure, ideology, and popular support all play a role in determining how and why leadership decapitation succeeds or fails. Taking heed of these conditions is essential to an effective counterterrorism policy going forward.

“Ever wondered why, decades later, the United States is still fighting an interminable ‘global war on terrorism’? Read this excellent book.”
—Audrey Kurth Cronin, American University

Learning the Lessons of Modern War
Edited by Thomas G. Mahnken

Learning the Lessons of Modern War examines the lessons of recent wars as a way of understanding continuity and change in the character and conduct of war. The volume brings together contributions from well-known scholars and practitioners from across the world to examine the conduct of recent wars in Iraq, Afghanistan, the Middle East, South America, and Asia. The book’s first section explores the value of a contemporary approach to history and reflect on the value of learning lessons from the past. Its second section focuses on the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The book’s third section examines the lessons of wars involving Russia, Israel, Sri Lanka, the Philippines, Georgia, and Colombia. It concludes by exploring overarching themes associated with the conduct of recent wars.

Containing a foreword by former National Security Adviser Lieutenant General H.R. McMaster, this book is an indispensable resource for international relations and security studies scholars, policymakers, and military professionals.
Global Jihad
A Brief History
Glenn E. Robinson

Most violent jihadi movements in the twentieth century focused on the Muslim world. But following the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, a new form of jihadism emerged—global jihad—with its primary locus in the international arena. With this book, Glenn E. Robinson develops a compelling, provocative argument about this movement’s evolution. Global Jihad tells the story of four jihadi waves, each with its own program for achieving a global end: whether a Jihadi International to liberate Muslim lands from foreign occupation; al-Qaeda’s call to drive the United States out of the Muslim world; ISIS using “jihadi cool” to recruit followers; or leaderless efforts of stochastic terror. Robinson connects global jihad to other “movements of rage” like the Nazi Brownshirts or Khmer Rouge. Ultimately, he shows that while global jihad has posed a low strategic threat, it has instigated an outsized reaction from the United States and other Western nations.

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United Front
Projecting Solidarity through Deliberation in Vietnam’s Single-Party Legislature
Paul Schuler

Conventional wisdom emerging from China and other autocracies claims that single-party legislatures and elections are mutually beneficial for citizens and autocrats. In United Front, Paul Schuler challenges these views by examining the past and present functioning of the Vietnam National Assembly (VNA), arguing that the legislature’s primary role is to signal strength to the public. Schuler’s argument suggests that there are limits to generating genuinely “consultative authoritarianism” through quasi-democratic institutions. Applying cutting-edge social science methods on original data like legislative speeches, election returns, and surveys, Schuler shows that even in a seemingly vociferous legislature like the VNA, the ultimate purpose of the institution is not to reflect the views of citizens, but rather to signal the regime’s preferences while taking down rivals.

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Fateful Decisions
Choices That Will Shape China’s Future
Edited by Thomas Fingar and Jean C. Oi

China’s future will be determined by how its leaders manage the myriad interconnected challenges they face. In Fateful Decisions, leading experts from a wide range of disciplines eschew broad predictions of success or failure in favor of close analyses of today’s most critical demographic, economic, social, political, and foreign policy challenges. Xi Jinping has articulated ambitious goals, but few priorities or policies to achieve them. Pursuing these goals requires difficult choices and tradeoffs. Contributors provide in-depth analyses of key policy choices, illuminate what is at stake, and illustrate possible outcomes.

“No challenge today equals that of understanding China’s future, and here a sterling team has sagely put together a powerful guide to do just that. A must-read!”
—Thomas R. Pickering, former U.S. Under Secretary of State

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Comparative Politics and IR

Russian Nuclear Orthodoxy
Religion, Politics, and Strategy
Dmitry Adamsky

A nuclear priesthood has arisen in Russia. From portable churches to the consecration of weapons systems, the Russian Orthodox Church has been integrated into every facet of the armed forces to become a vital part of Russian national security, politics, and identity. This extraordinary intertwining of church and military is nowhere more visible than in the nuclear weapons community, where the priesthood has penetrated all levels of command and the Church has positioned itself as a guardian of the state’s nuclear potential. Russian Nuclear Orthodoxy highlights the implications of this phenomenon for international security and sheds light on the role of faith in modern militaries. The book also explores the consequences of the confluence of religion and strategy for other members of the nuclear club.

“A magnificent, fascinating, and altogether unique study.”
—Eliot A. Cohen, Johns Hopkins University

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Super Continent
The Logic of Eurasian Integration
Kent E. Calder

A Eurasian transformation is underway, and it flows from China. With a geopolitically central location, the country’s domestic and international policies are poised to change the face of global affairs. The Belt and Road Initiative has called attention to a deepening Eurasian continentalism that has, argues Kent Calder, much more significant implications than have yet been recognized. In Super Continent, Calder presents a theoretically guided and empirically grounded explanation for these changes. In doing so, he underlines that the geo-economic logic that prevailed across Eurasia before Columbus, and that made the Silk Road a central thoroughfare of world affairs for close to two millennia, is re-asserting itself once again.

“Calder is dead right. This volume is an indispensable guide for both professors and politicians to the complex new realities of this Super Continent.”
—Kishore Mahbubani, National University of Singapore

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The Politics of Space Security
Strategic Restraint and the Pursuit of National Interests, Third Edition
James Clay Moltz

For the past sixty years, countries have conducted military and civilian activities in space, but they have not yet fought in this environment. This book examines the international politics of the space age from 1957 to the present, the reasons why strategic restraint emerged among the major military powers, and how recent trends toward weaponization may challenge prior norms of conflict avoidance. James Clay Moltz explores the competing demands of national and global interests in preserving the safe use of space in the face of emerging threats.

This new edition offers analysis of the 2011 to 2018 period, including the second term of President Obama and the beginning of the Trump administration. Focusing on great power competition and cooperation, as well as questions related to the sustainability of national space policies, The Politics of Space Security is an authoritative history of the space age.

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Proxy War
The Least Bad Option
Tyrone L. Groh

The U.S. has indirectly intervened in international conflicts on a relatively large scale for decades. Yet little is known about the immediate usefulness or long-term effectiveness of contemporary proxy warfare. Tyrone L. Groh explores the circumstances under which indirect warfare works best, how to evaluate it as a policy option, and the possible risks and rewards. *Proxy War* offers a fresh look at this strategy, using ten uncommon and understudied cases to investigate and illustrate the different types and uses of proxy war under varying conditions. What arises is a complete theoretical model of proxy warfare that can be applied to a wide range of situations. Proxy war is here to stay and will likely become more common as players on the international stage increasingly challenge U.S. dominance, making it more important than ever to understand how and when to deploy it.

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Global Data Shock
Strategic Ambiguity, Deception, and Surprise in an Age of Information Overload
Robert Mandel

Intelligence and security communities have access to an overwhelming amount of information. Robert Mandel explores how information overload facilitates ambiguity, deception, and surprise, eroding international trust and cooperation in the Internet Age. A sweeping array of case studies illustrates the role of data shock in shaping global events from the 1990 Iraqi attack on Kuwait to Brexit. Too much information can lead to foreign intelligence failures, security policy incoherence, mass public frustrations, curtailment of democratic freedoms, and even international political anarchy. *Global Data Shock* addresses the pressing need for improved management of information and its strategic deployment.

“This pertinent, well-written, and timely book addresses authoritatively and comprehensively the critical tension between the benefits of access to multitudinous data and the potentially pernicious consequences of being overwhelmed by it.”
—Yaacov Vertzberger, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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Diplomatic Security
A Comparative Analysis
Edited by Eugenio Cusumano and Christopher Kinsey

As diplomatic personnel are increasingly targeted by terrorism and political violence while overseas, sending states are augmenting host nations’ security measures with their own. Yet, reinforced security may also hamper effective diplomacy and international relations. *Diplomatic Security* explores the global contexts and consequences of keeping embassies and their personnel safe.

The essays in this volume offer case studies that illustrate the different arrangements in the U.S., China, the U.K., France, Germany, Italy, Turkey, Israel, and Russia. Considering the historical and legal contexts, authors examine how states protect their diplomats abroad, what drives changes in protective arrangements, and how such measures affect the safety of diplomats and the institution of diplomacy. *Diplomatic Security* not only reveals how a wide variety of states handle security needs but also illuminates the broader theoretical and policy implications for the study of diplomacy and security alike.

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Crisis!
When Political Parties Lose the Consent to Rule
Cedric de Leon

Cedric de Leon analyzes two pivotal crises in the American two-party system: the demise of the Whig party and secession of eleven southern states in 1861, and the present crisis splintering the Democratic and Republican parties and leading to the election of Donald Trump. Crisis! takes us beyond the common explanations of social determinants to illuminate how political parties actively shape national stability and breakdown. Just as the Civil War meant the difference between the survival of a slaveholding republic and the birth of liberal democracy, what political elites and civil society organizations do today can mean the difference between fascism and democracy.

“A bold and convincing argument about the sources of political crises and popular disaffection: it is the dynamics of the parties themselves, rather than voters’ economic self-interest or cultural goals, that create moments of political breakdown.”
—Ann Shola Orloff, Northwestern University

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10% Less Democracy
Why You Should Trust Elites a Little More and the Masses a Little Less
Garett Jones

During the 2016 presidential election, both Donald Trump and Bernie Sanders argued that elites were hurting the economy. But, drawing together evidence and theory from across economics, political science, and even finance, Garett Jones says otherwise. In 10% Less Democracy, he makes the case that the richest, most democratic nations would be better off if they slightly reduced accountability to the voting public, turning up the dial on elite influence. Discerning repeated patterns, Jones draws out practical suggestions for fine-tuning, focusing on the length of political terms, the independence of government agencies, the weight that voting systems give to the more-educated, and the value of listening more closely to a group of farsighted stakeholders with real skin in the game—a nation’s sovereign bondholders. Accessible to political news junkies while firmly rooted and rigorous, 10% Less Democracy will fuel the national conversation about what optimal government looks like.

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Birthing a Movement
Midwives, Law, and the Politics of Reproductive Care
Renée Ann Cramer

Midwives in the United States live and work in a complex regulatory environment directly resulting from state and medical intervention into women’s reproductive capacity. In Birthing a Movement, Renée Ann Cramer draws on over a decade of ethnographic and archival research to examine the interactions of law, politics, and activism surrounding midwifery.

Framed by gripping narratives from midwives across the country, she parses out the often-paradoxical priorities with which they must engage. Professional midwives are legal and regulated in 32 states and illegal in eight. In the remaining ten states, Certified Professional Midwives (CPMs) are unregulated, but nominally legal. By studying states where CPMs have differing legal statuses, Cramer makes the case that midwives and their clients engage in various forms of sometimes-inconsistent mobilization to facilitate access to care, autonomy in childbirth, and the articulation of women’s authority in reproduction.

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Defense Management Reform
How to Make the Pentagon Work Better and Cost Less
Peter Levine

Pentagon spending has been the target of decades of criticism and reform efforts. Every Secretary of Defense for the last five Administrations has made it a priority to address perceived bloat and inefficiency by making management reform a major priority. The congressional defense committees have been just as active, yet few of these initiatives produce significant results.

In this book, Peter Levine addresses why, despite a long history of attempted reform, the Pentagon continues to struggle to reduce waste and inefficiency. The heart of Defense Management Reform is three case studies covering civilian personnel, acquisitions, and financial management. Narrated with the insight of an insider, the result is a clear understanding of what went wrong in the past and a set of concrete guidelines to plot a better future.

“Levine is uniquely qualified to identify the political and bureaucratic practices that promote successful defense reform.”

—General Norty Schwartz, US Air Force (Retired)
Pursuing Citizenship in the Enforcement Era
Ming Hsu Chen

*Pursuing Citizenship in the Enforcement Era* examines the everyday perspectives of immigrants trying to integrate into American society when immigration policy is focused on enforcement and exclusion. The law says that everyone who is not a citizen is an alien, but Ming Hsu Chen argues that the citizen/alien binary should be reframed as a spectrum of citizenship, emphasizing continuities between the otherwise distinct experiences of membership and belonging for immigrants seeking citizenship. Bringing together theories of citizenship with empirical data on integration and analysis of contemporary policy, Chen argues that formal citizenship matters more than ever during times of enforcement and that constructing pathways to citizenship that enhance both formal and substantive equality of immigrants.

“As much critique as corrective vision, Ming Chen’s powerful book brings us revelatory conversations with immigrants seeking to become citizens.”

—Jan F. Haney López, University of California, Berkeley

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Immigrant California
Understanding the Past, Present, and Future of U.S. Policy
Edited by David Scott FitzGerald and John D. Skrentny

If California were its own country, it would have the world’s fifth largest immigrant population. The way these newcomers are integrated into the state will shape California’s schools, workforce, businesses, public health, politics, and culture. In *Immigrant California*, leading experts in U.S. migration provide cutting-edge research on the incorporation of immigrants and their descendants in this bellwether state. California, unique for its diverse population, powerful economy, and progressive politics, provides important lessons for what to expect as demographic change comes to most states across the country. Contributors to this volume cover topics ranging from education systems to healthcare initiatives and unravel the sometimes-contradictory details of California’s immigration history. The volume shows how a state that was once the national leader in anti-immigrant policies quickly became a standard-bearer of greater accommodation.

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A New American Creed
The Eclipse of Citizenship and Rise of Populism
David H. Kamens

A new American creed has reconstructed the social contract. Generations from 1890 to 1940 took for granted that citizenship entailed voting, volunteering, religiosity, and civic consciousness. Conspicuously, the WWII generation introduced collectivist notions of civic obligations—but such obligations have since become regarded as options. In this book, David H. Kamens takes this basic shift as his starting point for exploring numerous trends in American political culture from the 1930s to the present day. Beyond painting a comprehensive picture of our current political landscape, Kamens offers an invaluable archive documenting the steps that got us here.

“This theoretically innovative and well-argued book is a must-read for anyone interested in the present and future of American democracy.”

—Patricia Bromley, Stanford University

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Tyranny of Greed
Trump, Corruption, and the Revolution to Come
Timothy K. Kuhner

Democracy is being destroyed by an ancient evil and modernity is in denial. In the Tyranny of Greed, Timothy K. Kuhner reveals the United States to be a government by and for the wealthy, with Trump—the spirit of infinite greed—at its helm. Taking readers on a tour through evolutionary biology, psychology, and biblical sources, Kuhner explores how democracy emerged from religious and revolutionary awakenings. He argues that to overcome Trump’s regime and establish real democracy, we must reconnect with that radical heritage. Our political tradition demands a revolution against corruption.

“Tyranny of Greed is the most incisive critique yet of the Trump presidency and the system that created it. The story is brilliant, the method dramatic, and the scholarship impressive.”

—K D Ewing, King’s College London

Politics of Empowerment
Disability Rights and the Cycle of American Policy Reform
David Pettinicchio

In Politics of Empowerment, David Pettinicchio offers a historically grounded analysis of the singular case of U.S. disability policy, countering long-held views of progress that privilege public demand as its primary driver. Beginning in the 1970s, a group of legislators and bureaucrats came to act as “political entrepreneurs,” and were seen as experts leading the movement within the government. But as they increasingly faced obstacles, nascent disability advocacy and protest groups took the cause to the American people, forming the basis of the contemporary disability rights movement. Drawing on extensive archival material, Pettinicchio redefines the relationship between grassroots advocacy and institutional politics, revealing a cycle of progress and backlash embedded in the American political system.

“This excellent addition to the policy feedbacks literature shows how federal policy helped disabled activists become fully mobilized citizens.”

—Andrea Louise Campbell, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

The Immigrant Rights Movement
The Battle over National Citizenship
Walter J. Nicholls

In the months leading up to the 2016 presidential election, liberal outcry over Donald Trump’s ethnonationalist views espoused a notion deeply embedded in American social life: we are a nation of immigrants. Given the pervasiveness of this rhetoric, it is easy to overlook its genesis in the not-too-distant past. Indeed, before 2010, there was no national immigrant rights movement equating immigrants to de facto Americans. This book tells the story of the movement’s grassroots origins, through its meteoric rise to the national stage—and reveals tradeoffs made along the way.

“Theoretically rich and empirically rigorous, the book will set the terms for the debate about the best way forward for many years to come.”

—Kim Voss, University of California, Berkeley

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Women as War Criminals
Gender, Agency, and Justice
Izabela Steflja and Jessica Trisko Darden

Women war criminals are far more common than we think. From the Holocaust to ethnic cleansing in the Balkans to the Rwandan genocide, women have perpetrated heinous crimes. Few have been punished. These women’s very existence goes against our assumptions about war and about women as peaceful and innocent, and these biases in turn prevent postconflict justice systems from assigning women blame. Women as War Criminals argues that women are just as capable as men of committing war crimes and crimes against humanity. And women are uniquely adept at using gender instrumentally to fight for better conditions and reduced sentences when war ends. The book presents the postconflict legal cases of four women—the President (Biljana Plavšić), the Minister (Pauline Nyiramasuhuko), the Soldier (Lynndie England), and the Student (Hoda Muthana)—whose identity influenced their treatment by legal systems. Justice, Steflja and Trisko Darden show, is not blind to gender.

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The Arc of Protection
Reforming the International Refugee Regime
T. Alexander Aleinikoff and Leah Zamore

The international refugee regime is fundamentally broken. Designed in the wake of World War II, the system is unable to address the record numbers of persons displaced by conflict and violence today. States have put up fences and adopted policies to deny, deter, and detain asylum seekers. People recognized as refugees are routinely denied rights guaranteed by international law. The results are dismal for the millions of refugees around the world who are left with slender prospects to rebuild their lives or contribute to host communities. T. Alexander Aleinikoff and Leah Zamore lay bare the underlying global crisis of responsibility.

The Arc of Protection adopts a revisionist and critical perspective that examines the original premises of the international refugee regime. This book offers a way out of the current international morass through refo-cusing on responsibility-sharing, seeing the humanitarian-development divide in a new light, and putting refugee rights front and center.

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When Words Trump Politics
Resisting a Hostile Regime of Language
Adam Hodges

When Words Trump Politics takes insights from linguistic anthropology and related fields to decode, understand, and ultimately provide non-expert readers with easily digestible tools to resist the politics of division and hate.

Adam Hodges’ short essays address Trump’s Twitter insults, racism and white nationalism, “truthiness” and “alternative facts,” #FakeNews and conspiracy theories, Supreme Court politics and #MeToo, Islamophobia, political theater, and many other timely and controversial discussions. Hodges breaks down the specific linguistic techniques and processes that make Trump’s rhetoric successful in our contemporary political landscape. He identifies the language ideologies, word choices, and recurring metaphors that underlie Trumpian rhetoric.

When Words Trump Politics is an essential resource for political resistance, for anyone who cares about freeing democracy from the spell of demagoguery.

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Limits
Why Malthus Was Wrong and Why Environmentalists Should Care
Giorgos Kallis
Western culture is infatuated with the dream of going beyond, even as it is increasingly haunted by the specter of apocalypse: drought, famine, nuclear winter. Re-reading Thomas Robert Malthus and his legacy, this book reclaims, redefines, and makes an impassioned plea for limits—a notion central to environmentalism—clearing them from their association with Malthusianism and the ideology and politics that go along with it. Limits are not something out there, a property of nature to be deciphered by scientists, but a choice that confronts us, one that, paradoxically, is part and parcel of the pursuit of freedom. Taking us from ancient Greece to Malthus, from hunter-gatherers to the Romantics, from anarchist feminists to 1970s radical environmentalists, Limits shows us how an institutionalized culture of sharing can make possible the collective self-limitation we so urgently need.

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Overcoming Isolationism
Japan’s Leadership in East Asian Security Multilateralism
Paul Midford
This book asks why, in the wake of the Cold War, Japan suddenly reversed years of steadfast opposition to security cooperation with its neighbors. Long isolated and opposed to multilateral agreements, Japan proposed East Asia’s first multilateral security forum in the early 1990s, emerging as a regional leader. Overcoming Isolationism explores what led to this surprising about-face and offers a corrective to the misperception that Japan’s security strategy is reactive to US pressure and unresponsive to its neighbors. Paul Midford draws on newly released official documents and extensive interviews to reveal a quarter century of Japanese leadership in promoting regional security cooperation. He demonstrates that Japan has a much more nuanced relationship with its neighbors and has played a more significant leadership role in shaping East Asian security than has previously been recognized.

“A tour de force of Japanese foreign policy studies, for both English- and Japanese-language scholarship.”
—Tsuyoshi Kawasaki, Simon Fraser University

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These Islands Are Ours
The Social Construction of Territorial Disputes in Northeast Asia
Alexander Bukh
Territorial disputes are one of the main sources of tension in Northeast Asia. Escalation in such conflicts often stems from a widely shared public perception that the territory in question is of the utmost importance to the nation. While that’s frequently not true in economic, military, or political terms, citizens’ groups and other domestic actors throughout the region have mounted sustained campaigns to protect or recover disputed islands. Quite often, these campaigns have wide-ranging domestic and international consequences.

Focusing on non-state actors rather than political elites, Alexander Bukh explains how and why apparently inconsequential territories become central to national discourse in Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan. These Islands Are Ours gives us a new way to understand the nature of territorial disputes and how they inform national identities by exploring the processes of their social construction, and amplification.

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Asia’s Regional Architecture
Alliances and Institutions in the Pacific Century
Andrew Yeo

Asia’s Regional Architecture transcends traditional international relations models. It investigates change and continuity in Asia’s complex array of bilateral and multilateral agreements through the lens of historical institutionalism. Refuting claims regarding the demise of the liberal international order, Andrew Yeo reveals how overlapping institutions can promote regional governance and reduce uncertainty in a global context. In addition to considering established institutions such as the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation, he discusses newer regional arrangements including the East Asia Summit, Trans-Pacific Partnership, and the Belt and Road Initiative. This book has important implications for how policymakers think about institutional design and regionalism in Asia and beyond.

“A welcome and significant contribution to the literature.”
—Victor D. Cha, Georgetown University

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Oilcraft
The Myths of Scarcity and Security That Haunt U.S. Energy Policy
Robert Vitalis

There is a conventional wisdom about oil—that U.S. military presence in the Persian Gulf guarantees access to this strategic resource; that the “special” relationship with Saudi Arabia is necessary to stabilize an otherwise volatile market; and that these assumptions in turn provide Washington enormous leverage over Europe and Asia. Except, the conventional wisdom is wrong. Vitalis debunks the myths to reveal “oilcraft,” a line of magical thinking closer to witchcraft than statecraft. Oil is a commodity: bought, sold, and subject to market forces. Thus, the first goal of this book is to expose the suspect fears of scarcity and conflict. The second goal is to investigate the significant geopolitical impact of these false beliefs. In particular, Vitalis shows how we can reconsider the question of the U.S.–Saudi relationship. Freeing ourselves from the spell of oilcraft won’t be easy—but the benefits make it essential.

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Unwitting Architect
German Primacy and the Origins of Neoliberalism
Julian Germann

The global rise of neoliberalism since the 1970s is widely seen as a dynamic originating in the United States and the United Kingdom, and only belatedly and partially repeated by Germany. This book challenges this ruling narrative conceptually and empirically. It recasts the genesis of neoliberalism as a process driven by a plenitude of actors, ideas and interests. And it lays bare the pragmatic reasoning and counter-intuitive choices of German crisis managers that are obscured by this master story.

Drawing on extensive original archival research, Unwitting Architect argues that German officials did not intentionally set out to promote neoliberal change. Instead they were more intent on preserving Germany’s export markets and competitiveness in order to stabilize the domestic compact between capital and labor.

EMERGING FRONTIERS IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY
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Cleft Capitalism
The Social Origins of Failed Market Making in Egypt
Amr Adly

Egypt has undergone significant economic liberalization, yet after more than four decades of economic reform, the Egyptian economy still fails to meet popular expectations for inclusive growth, better standards of living, and high-quality employment. Cleft Capitalism offers a new explanation for why market-based development can fail to meet expectations: small businesses are not growing into medium and larger businesses. The practical outcome of this missing middle syndrome is the continuous erosion of the economic and social privileges once enjoyed by the middle classes and unionized labor. With this book, Adly uncovers both an institutional explanation for Egypt’s failed market making, and sheds light on the key factors of arrested economic development across the Global South.

“An important rethinking of the trajectory of Egypt’s political economy since 1974 and a bold challenge to Washington Consensus economic policy orthodoxy.”
—Joel Beinin, Stanford University

Cultural Values in Political Economy
Edited by J.P. Singh

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William D. Ferguson

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