



Bridwell Institute for Economic Freedom

SMU Armentrout Scholars Reading Groups

Fall 2024 Syllabus

Contemporary Public Policy Issues

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Meeting Times. Our meetings will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays at 6:15–8:00 pm, and Fridays at 11:15 am–12:45 pm in the Bridwell Institute conference room. Note that for the two years of the Cox Business School building renovations our office had temporarily moved to the Expressway Tower. We're now back on main campus in Suite #1120 of the new Bolin-Bridwell building (connected to Maguire on the front left of the new David Miller Quadrangle housing the Cox School of Business, right on the north end of The Boulevard). When you enter the building turn left and we're the second office on the left. Once you enter the suite, the conference room will be to the right. All four groups have the same readings.

Attendance is required. Your attendance and **active** participation are required. We will have **10 regular meetings plus a joint reading group summit** which will include students from similar groups at other universities. That will be held at SMU on Saturday, October 12 at 1-4 pm, followed by a reception that will end at about 6 pm, and is a **required** part of the program. You will not be paid the \$1000 stipend if you do not attend.

You are **required to attend all 10 weekly meetings**. However, if you have an unavoidable conflict, we do have limited flexibility, with advance notice, for you to switch nights if you cannot attend on your regular reading group night (i.e., if you can't make one of your regular Monday night meetings, you can instead attend on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday that week and vice-versa). If you are absolutely unable to attend another session, please send your discussion leader the following **Make-Up Assignment**: a written summary (in an email, not as an attached file) of the readings for that week by the start time of your meeting. Make sure you mention each of the readings for that week.

In addition, the Bridwell Institute hosts several guest speakers throughout the semester. You are **required to attend at least one of those events (and email to your discussion leader a one paragraph summary of what you learned)** but are strongly encouraged to

attend all of them for which you do not have a conflict. Scheduled events are listed on the next page and you will be alerted if more are scheduled. If none of those dates work for

you, you may instead watch a previous event on our YouTube channel chosen from a list that will be distributed towards the end of the semester.

Dinner. The formal discussion session will last about an hour, after which we will bring in food to continue our conversation informally. You should expect this to last until about 8 pm (or 12:45 pm on Fridays). This is considered an integral part of the program and you are expected to participate. **Leaving early (or arriving late) will count as half an absence.** Please notify us if you have food allergies or other issues so that we can be sure to accommodate you.

Stipend. Upon successful completion of the program, you will receive a \$1,000 stipend about a month after the program ends. (Thanks to the Armentrout Foundation for their generous support for this program.) There is some paperwork involved in order to process the payment. We will send that to you early in the semester. You can't get paid without it. Taxes will not be withheld, but the payment will be reported to the IRS and you may be liable for paying taxes on that income. **Please contact Teffa Padilla if you have any questions (epadilla@smu.edu, 214-768-2493).**

General Advice

Read Ahead. There are about 50-75 pages of material assigned each week, and the material is not always easy. Please budget enough time in your schedule to do the readings ahead of time.

Come Prepared. Your **active participation is required.** Those who do not do so will not receive the \$1,000 stipend. Planning ahead is the best way to make sure you are contributing to the group discussion. You should have 3 or 4 specific questions or comments prepared in advance for each session – preferably related directly to the texts. If there's a lull in the conversation, use that opportunity to ask one of your prepared questions. It is important that everyone has an opportunity to participate, so please monitor your level of participation accordingly. (With 60 minutes and 12 students, that's only an average of 5 minutes each.)

Be Critical. There is room for disagreement. Don't agree unthinkingly with the readings or each other. Reasonable people disagree, so be reasonable, but do so **respectfully.**

Be Humble. The writers we read did not know everything and neither do you. Be willing to listen to the writers and each other, and be willing to say, "I don't know."

Tentative Bridwell Institute Event Schedule

The most up-to-date list can always be found on our website. If you're planning to attend, please go to the link below and click on "Register."

<https://www.smu.edu/cox/Centers-and-Institutes/Bridwell-Institute/Events>

Tuesday Sept. 17, 6:00 pm reception, 7:00 pm panel, Crum Auditorium (Collins Executive Education Center), Texas Economic Forum: What's Up in the Air?, Gary Leff, View from the Wing blogger, and Scott McCartney, former Wall Street Journal "Middle Seat" columnist

Thursday, Oct. 17, 6:00 pm reception, 7:00 pm panel, Crum Auditorium (Collins Executive Education Center), "Freedom and the Arts," Terry and Matt Kibbe, *Free the People*

Meeting Schedule

Meeting #	(Mon./Tues./Wed./Fri.)	Notes
NO MEETINGS	Sept. 2/3/4/6	due to Labor Day holiday on Mon.
1	Sept. 9/10/11/13	
2	Sept. 16/17/18/20	
3	Sept. 23/24/25/27	
4	Sept. 30/Oct. 1/2/4	
NO MEETINGS	Oct. 7/8/9/11	due to Fall Break on Mon. & Tues.
Sat. Oct. 12, Mandatory Reading Group Summit at SMU, 1-6pm		
5	Oct. 14/15/16/18	
6	Oct. 21/22/23/25	
7	Oct. 28/29/30/Nov. 1	
8	Nov. 4/5/6/8	Tues. 11/5 election day
9	Nov. 11/12/13/15	
10	Nov. 18/19/20/22	

Reading List

Books that will be provided:

Antony Davies and James Harrigan. (2020). *Cooperation & Coercion*. Wilmington, DE: Institute for Intercollegiate Studies.

Milton and Rose Friedman. (1980). *Free to Choose*. New York, NY: Harcourt.

Jonathan Haidt. (2012). *Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion*. New York, NY: Vintage Books.

Joseph Stiglitz. (2024). *The Road to Freedom: Economics and the Good Society*. New York, NY: W.W. Norton.

****Cato Handbook for Policymakers**, 9th edition (2022). Washington, DC: Cato Institute.
<https://www.cato.org/sites/cato.org/files/2023-03/cato-handbook-9th-edition.pdf>

*Note: Readings marked with asterisks are available in the DropBox link below. All others are found in the books that you will be given.

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/zrwc59k264oinx5mq85dl/AP-XNEWi5QdEh3CBkJSwZ0c?rlkey=8o8wgwh01yn3v2nmix37dcqgx&st=hp901i79&dl=0>

****This book is available as a free PDF at the link above.**

Week 1-Introduction

Haidt. (2012). "Introduction," xvii-xxiv. (7 pages)

Haidt. (2012). Ch. 1: "Where Does Morality Come From?" 3-31. (28 pages)

Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Preface, xiii-xvi. (3 pages)

Friedman & Friedman. (1980). "Introduction," 1-7. (7 pages)

Stiglitz. (2024). Preface, xi-xxiv. (14 pages)

Cato Handbook. (2022). Ch. 1: "Introduction" (1-10). (10 pages)

*Boaz, David. 2015. Appendix: "Are You a Libertarian?" in *The Libertarian Mind*. Washington, DC: Cato Institute, 377-81. (3 pages)

Week 2-Inflation and Price Controls

Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 1: "The Power of the Market," 9-37. (29 pages)

Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 1: "Introduction: Freedom in Danger," 1-20. (19 pages)

*Bourne, Ryan. (2024). "Inflation: An Introduction," in Ryan Bourne, ed. *The War on Prices*. Washington, DC: Cato Institute. 3-18. (15 pages)

*Bourne, Ryan. (2024). "Prices and Price Controls: An Introduction," in Ryan Bourne, ed. *The War on Prices*. Washington, DC: Cato Institute. 85-95. (11 pages)

*New York Times Editorial Board. (1987). "The Right Minimum Wage: \$0.00," *New York Times*, Jan. 14. (1 page)

*Chapman, Michael. (2024). "California's Latest Minimum Wage Hike Reaffirms the Destructiveness of Price Controls," Cato at Liberty blog, June 5. (1 page)

*Chapman, Michael. (2024). "Vance, Like Biden, Flunks Econ 101: Backs Hiking Federal Minimum Wage," Cato at Liberty blog, July 24. (1 page)

Optional

Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 9: "The Cure for Inflation," 248-282. (34 pages)

Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 4: "The Minimum Wage," 63-81. (18 pages)

"Milton Friedman - The Folly of Price Controls" (3:43 video)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kO_5lzvQLog

- *Selyukh, Alina. (2024). "Are greedy companies to blame for grocery inflation? We looked at the data." National Public Radio, Sep. 9. (2 pages)
<https://www.npr.org/2024/09/09/nx-s1-5103935/grocery-prices-inflation-corporate-greedflation>
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "Shopping for bad policy? Try grocery price controls," *Washington Post*, Aug. 16. (1.5 pages)
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "Hey, corporate greed is gone! Just look at the price of a Big Mac," *Washington Post*, Jul. 18. (1.5 pages)
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "Nearly everything Americans think about the economy is wrong," *Washington Post*, May 29. (1.5 pages)

Week 3-Immigration & Trade

- Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 2: "The Tyranny of Controls," 38-69. (32 pages)
- Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 2: "How Economists Think About Freedom," 21-42. (21 pages)
- Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 61: "Immigration" (563-569). (6 pages)
- *Cass, Oren. (2024). "Open Borders Economists Have Gone Awfully Quiet About Wages," *American Compass*, Jul. 25. (3 pages)
- *Krugman, Paul. (2006). "North of the Border," *New York Times*, Mar. 27. (2 pages)
- *Cass, Oren. (2024). "Free Trade's Origin Myth," *Law & Liberty*, Jan. 2. (7 pages)
- *Boudreaux, Donald. (2024). "Feeble Forays Against Free Trade," *Law & Liberty*, Jan. 10 (5 pages)

Optional

- Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 36: "International Trade and Investment Policy" (329-352). (23 pages)
- *Lincicome, Scott. (2022). "The Updated Case for Free Trade," *Cato Policy Analysis*, No. 925, Apr. 19.
- Lincicome, Scott. (2024). "Tariff Myths Debunked," *The Dispatch*, Sep 11.
<https://thedispatch.com/newsletter/capitolism/tariff-myths-debunked/>
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "No immigrants, no retirement," *Washington Post*, Apr. 24. (1.5 pages)
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "On immigration, Trump outpolls Biden. And his own policies." *Washington Post*, Mar. 13. (1.5 pages)
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "A surge in immigration is a \$7 trillion gift to the economy," *Washington Post*, Feb. 14. (1.5 pages)

Week 4-Environmental Policy

- Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 3: "The Anatomy of Crisis," 70-90. (20 pages)
- Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 3: "One Person's Freedom Is Another Person's Unfreedom," 45-69. (24 pages)
- Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 59: "Environmental Policy" (549-553). (4 pages)
- *Stroup, Richard. (2016). "Scarcity: A Primer," Ch. 1 in *Eco-Nomics: What Everyone Should Know about Economics and the Environment*, 2nd ed., Washington, DC: Cato Institute, 9-23. (15 pages)
- *Hannah Ritchie. (2024). "Introduction," In *Not the End of the World: How We Can Be the First Generation to Build a Sustainable Planet*. New York: Little, Brown Spark, 1-16. (15 pages)

Optional

- *Bailey, Ronald. (2024). "Plastics Are Better for the Climate Than Aluminum and Glass, Actually," *Reason* magazine, Aug./Sept. (1.5 pages)

- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "Biden and the GOP are both sabotaging clean energy," *Washington Post*, May 17. (1.5 pages)
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "Here's why Americans are turning on EVs," *Washington Post*, Apr. 10. (1.5 pages)
- *Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "Will we turn away from fossil fuels in time?" *Washington Post*, Jan. 3. (1.5 pages)

Summit (Sat. Oct. 12, 1-6pm)

- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). "Introduction: Cooperation and Coercion," 9-16. (7 pages)
- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 1: "The Knowledge Problem," 19-36. (17 pages)
- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 2: "Rights and Wrongs," 37-46. (10 pages)
- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 3: "The Magic Wand," 47-59. (10 pages)
- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 9: "Busybullies," 151-162. (11 pages)

Week 5- Health Care

- Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 4: "Cradle to Grave," 91-127. (37 pages)
- Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 4: "Freedom Through Coercion: Public Goods and the Free-Rider Problem," 70-84. (14 pages)
- *Cannon, Michael. (2023). Ch. 1-4 and 14 of *Recovery: A Guide to Reforming the U.S. Health Sector*, Washington, DC: Cato Institute. (10 pages)
- *Butler, Stuart. (2020). "Achieving an equitable national health system for America," Washington, DC: Brookings Institution. (5 pages)
- *Butler, Stuart, and Nehath Sheriff. (2022). "5 building blocks to help achieve greater health equity," Washington, DC: Brookings Institution. (5 pages)

Optional

- **Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 63: "Health Care Regulation" (583-600). (16 pages)
- **Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 64: "Health Insurance Regulation" (601-610). (9 pages)
- *Dean Stansel & David Mitchell. (2023). "Free the Nurses," *Dallas Morning News*, 4-15-23
- *John Goodman. (2023). "Liberate the Doctors," *Forbes.com*, 6-13-23. (3 pages)
- Recovery: A Guide to Reforming the U.S. Health Sector*, PDF of entire book and 14-min podcast. <https://www.cato.org/books/recovery>
- Boehm, Eric. (2024). "Why We Can't Have Nice Things: Can Mark Cuban Make Prescriptions Affordable Again?" *Reason.com*, Sep. 25. (35 min. podcast)
<https://reason.com/podcast/2024/09/05/why-we-cant-have-nice-things-can-mark-cuban-make-prescriptions-affordable-again/>

Week 6-Inequality and Social Security

- Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 5: "Created Equal," 128-149. (21 pages)
- Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 5: "Contracts, the Social Contract, and Freedom," 85-102. (17 pages)
- **Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 75: "Social Security" (705-714). (8 pages)
- *Gramm, Phil, Robert Ekelund, and John Early. (2022). "Introduction: Official Statistical Measures Understate America's Well-being," Ch. 1 in *The Myth of American Inequality: How Government Biases Policy Debate*, Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield. (11 pages)
- *Tanner, Michael. (2018). "Inclusive Economic Growth," Ch. 9 in *The Inclusive Economy How to Bring Wealth to America's Poor*, Washington, DC: Cato Institute. (20 pages)

Optional

- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 7: "Taxes," 119-134. (15 pages)
- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 8: "Debt," 135-150. (16 pages)

- Milton Friedman. Free To Choose 1980 - Vol. 05, Created Equal, 58-minute video of the original PBS series based on Friedman's book.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DUGvtO9WATY>
- Milton Friedman. Free To Choose in Under 2 Minutes - Episode 5 - Created Equal, 2-minute video, 2020. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fAP0SVxRg9E>
- Milton Friedman. "Redistribution of Wealth," 4-minute video.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ynH2uvVlu0>
- Milton Friedman. "Why soaking the rich won't work," 4-minute video.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wi-D24oCa10&t=90s>
- Michael Cox and Richard Alm. "By Our Own Bootstraps," Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Annual Report, 1995, pp. 2-24. (about 14 pages of text)
<https://www.dallasfed.org/~media/documents/fed/annual/1999/ar95.pdf>
 *Updated data available in this PowerPoint file in DropBox: Michael Cox, "Opportunity, Mobility and Inequality"
- Russ Roberts. "Stiglitz on Inequality," 67-minute podcast interview with Nobel Laureate economist Joseph Stiglitz, EconTalk, 2012. <https://www.econtalk.org/stiglitz-on-inequality/>
- Michael Tanner, public lecture on his book *The Inclusive Economy: How to Bring Wealth to America's Poor*, 72-minute video. <https://www.cato.org/multimedia/media-highlights-tv/michael-d-tanners-book-event-inclusive-economy-how-bring-wealth>
- Angus Deaton. "Thinking about Inequality" *Cato's Letter*, 15, 2 (Spring 2017).
<https://www.cato.org/sites/cato.org/files/pubs/pdf/catos-letter-spring-2017.pdf>
- Russ Roberts. "Deaton on Health, Wealth, and Poverty," 60-minute podcast interview with Nobel Laureate economist Angus Deaton on his book *The Great Escape*, EconTalk, 2013.
<https://www.econtalk.org/deaton-on-health-wealth-and-poverty/>
- David Schmidtz. "The Rich Get Richer and the Poor Get Poorer," 5-minute video, Institute for Humane Studies. <https://theihs.org/ppe/equality/the-rich-get-richer-and-the-poor-get-poorer/>
- Will Wilkinson, Lane Kenworthy, John Nye, and Elizabeth Anderson. "Inequality: Facts and Values," *Cato Unbound: A Journal of Debate*, October 2009.
<https://www.cato-unbound.org/issues/october-2009/inequality-facts-values>

Week 7-Education

- Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 6: "What's Wrong with Our Schools?" 150-188. (39 pages)
- Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 6: "Freedom, a Competitive Economy, and Social Justice," 103-121. (18 pages)
- **Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 39: "School Choice" (379-385). (15 pages)
- *Harris, Douglas. (2024). "The new and radical school voucher push is quietly unwinding two centuries of U.S. education tradition," Brookings Institution Commentary. (6 pages)

Optional

- **Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 42: "Higher Education" (407-416). (8 pages)
- *Valant, Jon. (2024). "Democrats and Republicans on K-12 education: A comparison," Brookings Institution Commentary. (3 pages)
- *Valant, Jon. (2024). "Moving from a 'parents' bill of rights' to a cross-partisan policy agenda to better support parents," Brookings Institution Commentary. (5 pages)
- *Perera, Rachel M., Jon Valant, and Katharine Meyer. (2024). "Project 2025 and education: A lot of bad ideas, some more actionable than others," Brookings Institution Commentary. (5 pages)
- *Looney, Adam, and Constantine Yannelis. (2024). "What went wrong with federal student loans?" Brookings Institution Commentary. (2 pages)

Week 8-Democracy & Governance

Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 7: "Who Protects the Consumer?" 189-227. (39 pages)

Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 7: "The Freedom to Exploit," 122-141. (19 pages)

**Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 4: "Election Law" (51-57). (6 pages)

*Holcombe, Randall. (2019). "Liberty: The Revolutionary Cause," Ch. 1 in *Liberty in Peril: Democracy and Power in American History 2nd ed.*, Oakland, CA: Independent Institute, 1-11. (11 pages)

*Pink, Daniel. (2024). "Why not make ranked-choice voting the norm?" *Washington Post*, October 22. (2 pages)

Optional

Haidt. (2012). Ch. 4: "Vote for Me (Here's Why)," 84-108. (24 pages)

**Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 7: "Campaign Finance" (71-79). (8 pages)

*Healy, Gene. (2024). "Cult of the Presidency: America's Pathological Relationship with Executive Power," *Free Society*, Fall, 8-17. (9 pages)

*Boehm, Eric. (2022). "Sarah Palin Didn't Lose Because of Ranked Choice Voting," Reason.com, Nov. 28. (2 pages)

*Olson, Walter. (2023). "Conservatives Shouldn't Fear Ranked Choice Voting," *Real Clear Policy*, April 27. (1 page)

*Adler, Jonathan. (2024). "From "Deference" to "Respect"—The Real Import of Loper Bright," Reason.com, July 3. (1.5 pages)

*Brookings Institution. (2024). "Around the halls: After Chevron, what's next?" July 10. (4 pages)

*Rampell, Catherine. (2024). "Trading democracy for economic gain gets us neither," *Washington Post*, May 15. (1.5 pages)

Water Olson. (2024). "Dispelling the Fear and Loathing over Ranked-Choice Voting," 15-min podcast. Oct. 17. <https://www.cato.org/multimedia/cato-daily-podcast/dispelling-fear-loathing-over-ranked-choice-voting>

Week 9-Criminal Justice Reform

Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 8: "Who Protects the Worker?" 228-247. (20 pages)

Stiglitz. (2024). Introduction to Part 2: "Freedom, Beliefs, and Preferences, and the Creation of the Good Society," 145-147. (3 pages)

Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 8: "Social Coercion and Social Cohesion," 149-167. (18 pages)

*Tanner, Michael. (2018). "Fighting Poverty Through Criminal Justice Reform," Ch. 5 in *The Inclusive Economy How to Bring Wealth to America's Poor*, Washington, DC: Cato Institute. (18 pages)

**Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 14: "The War on Drugs" (133-143). (10 pages)

**Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 21: "Online Speech and Social Media" (211-217). (6 pages)

Optional

Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 5: "Gun Control," 83-102. (19 pages)

Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 6: "War on Nouns," 103-117. (14 pages)

**Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 13: "Technology and Law Enforcement" (125-131). (6 pages)

**Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 19: "Accountability for Government Agents" (187-197). (10 pages)

**Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 20: "Reforming Surveillance Authorities" (199-210). (11 pages)

*Eddington, Patrick, and James Craven. (2024). "Police Want the Password to Your Phone," Reason.com, October 14.

- *Gould, Jon, and Pamela Metzger. (SMU). (2021). "Evidence-based paths toward criminal justice reform," *The Hill*, Feb. 26.
- *Singer, Dr. Jeffrey A. (2024). "Texas may execute a man based on flawed science. Will Abbott intervene?" *USA Today*, Sep. 25. (3 pages)
- *Grigsby, Sharon. (2024). "A young North Texas woman bought legal delta-8 vape oil and wound up jailed on a felony," *Dallas Morning News*, 9-13-24.
- Craven, James, Jay Schweikert, and Clark Neily. (2022). "How Qualified Immunity Hurts Law Enforcement," Cato Institute, *Visual Feature*, Feb. 15.
<https://www.cato.org/study/how-qualified-immunity-hurts-law-enforcement>
- "Police and Prosecutor Misconduct Protections and a Possible Path Forward," 24-minute podcast, Cato Daily Podcast, Aug. 26, 2024. <https://www.cato.org/multimedia/cato-daily-podcast/police-prosecutor-misconduct-protections-possible-path-forward>
- "Inside Private Prisons," 30-minute podcast, Cato Daily Podcast, Dec. 29, 2017.
<https://www.cato.org/multimedia/cato-daily-podcast/inside-private-prisons>

Week 10-tentative topic: Foreign Policy

- Friedman & Friedman. (1980). Ch. 10: "The Tide Is Turning," 283-310. (27 pages)
- Stiglitz. (2024). Introduction to Part 3: "What Kind of Economy Promotes a Good, Just, and Free Society?" 209-213. (4 pages)
- Stiglitz. (2024). Ch 11: "Neoliberal Capitalism: Why It Failed," 215-236. (21 pages)
- Davies and Harrigan. (2020). Ch. 10: "Cooperation," 163-178. (15 pages)
- **Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 22: "Restoring Realism and Restraint in U.S. Foreign Policy" (221-226). (4 pages)
- *Kramer, David J. (2024). "The fight to keep the world free," *Catalyst: A Journal of Ideas from the Bush Institute*, 30 (Spring). (3 pages)
- *Mises, Ludwig. (1927). "Peace" excerpted from *Liberalism*. In David Boaz, ed. *The Libertarian Reader*, New York: Free Press (1997). (3 pages)

Optional

- **Cato Handbook*. (2022). Ch. 23: "The Military Budget and Force Posture" (227-234). (7 pages)
- *Hersh, Ken. (2024). "The Taylor Swift doctrine," *Catalyst: A Journal of Ideas from the Bush Institute*, 30 (Spring). (2 pages)
- *Logan, Justin. (2024). "Liberty at Home, Restraint Abroad: A Realist Approach to Foreign Policy," *Free Society*, Summer, 18-25. (5 pages)
- *Zakaria, Fareed (2024). "The most dangerous moment since the Cold War," *Washington Post*, Oct. 11. (1.5 pages)
- *Buck, Brandan. (2024). "America Was Never Isolationist," *The American Conservative*, Oct. 26. (3 pages)
- *Schake, Kori. (2024). "The National Security Imperative for a Trump Presidency How His Administration Can Shore Up the Foundations of American Power," *Foreign Affairs*, Nov. 8. (4 pages)
- *Garza, Antonio. (2024). "The overlooked Americas," *Catalyst: A Journal of Ideas from the Bush Institute*, 30 (Spring). (2 pages) ("By neglecting its own hemisphere, the United States misses out on economic opportunities and an alignment of issues in the region.")
- *Petti, Matthew. (2024). "The Classic Neocons Are Out, but They Might Still Get What They Want," *Reason.com*, Nov. 11. (2 pages)
- "The Trouble with Tariffs and the Future of Trade," 46-minute podcast, Power Problems podcast, Cato Institute, Oct. 29, 2024. <https://www.cato.org/multimedia/power-problems/trouble-tariffs-future-trade>

