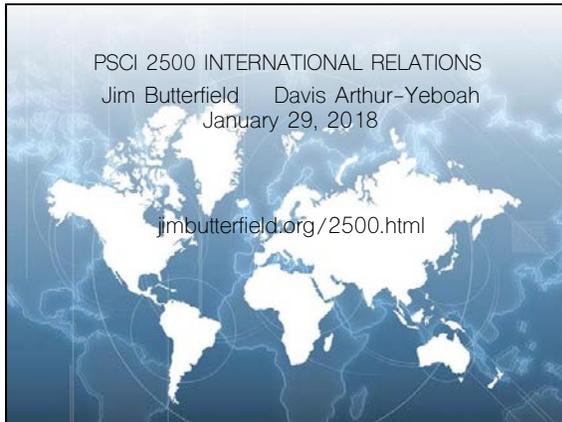


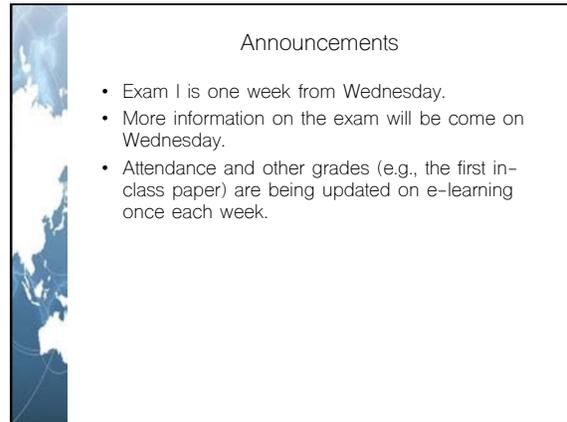
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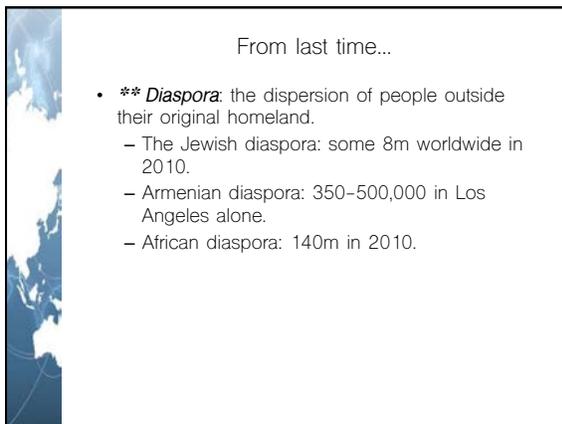
Announcements

- Exam I is one week from Wednesday.
- More information on the exam will be come on Wednesday.
- Attendance and other grades (e.g., the first in-class paper) are being updated on e-learning once each week.



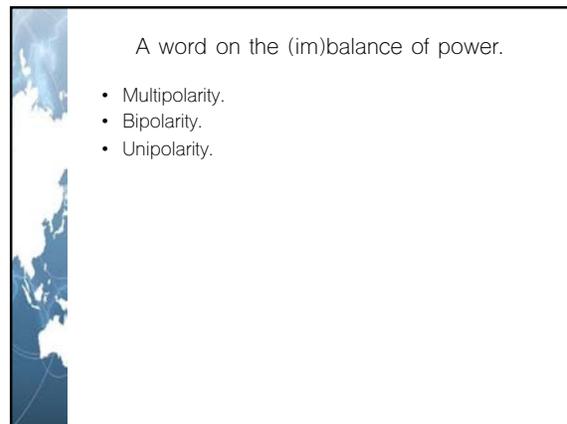
From last time...

- **** Diaspora:** the dispersion of people outside their original homeland.
 - The Jewish diaspora: some 8m worldwide in 2010.
 - Armenian diaspora: 350–500,000 in Los Angeles alone.
 - African diaspora: 140m in 2010.



A word on the (im)balance of power.

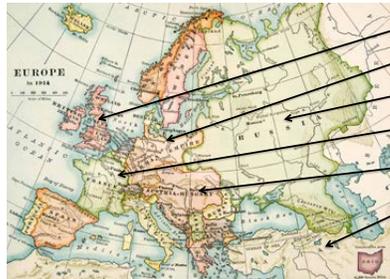
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- Bipolarity.
- Unipolarity.



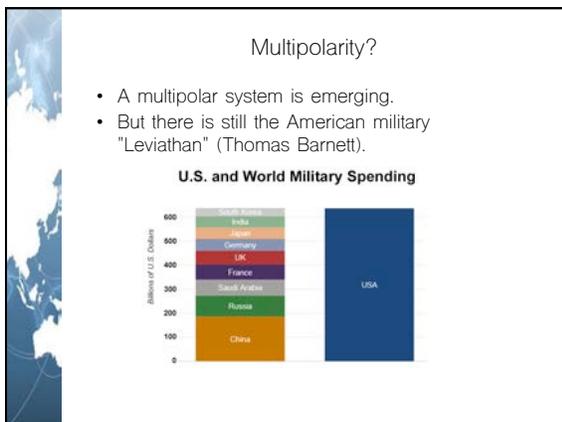
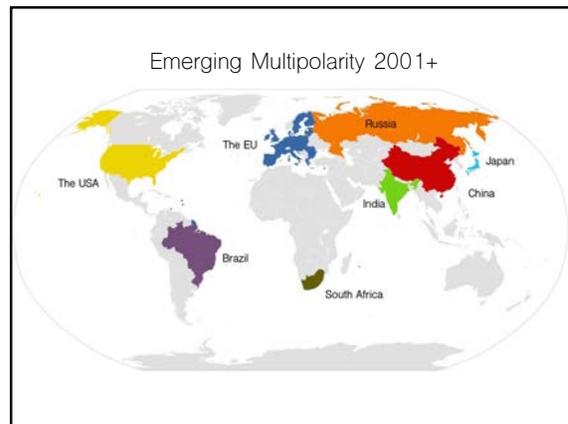
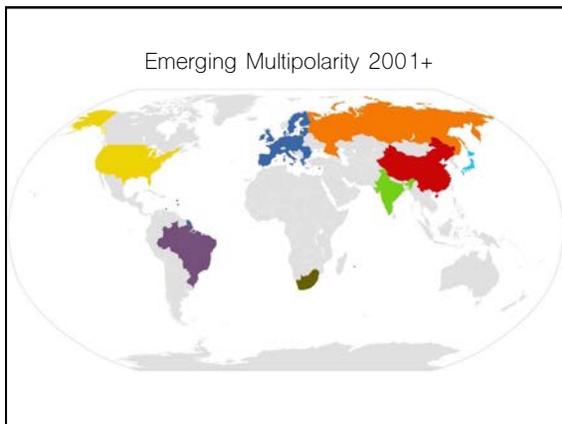
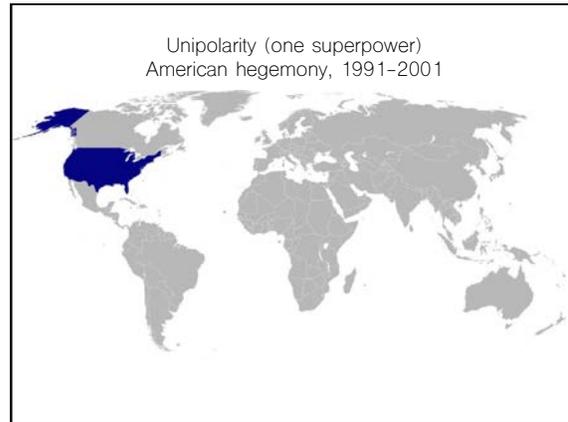
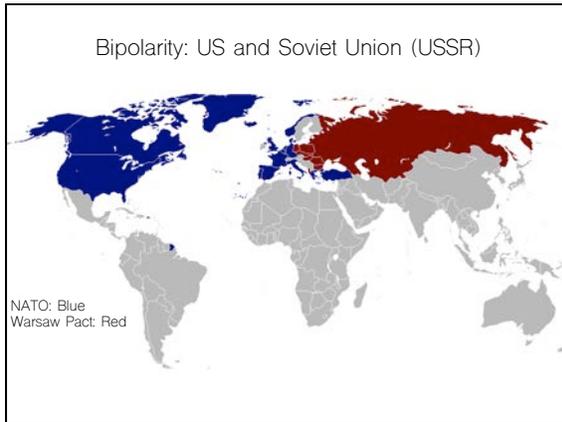
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- Britain (strongest)
- German Empire
- Russian Empire
- France
- Austria-Hungarian Empire
- Ottoman Empire (weakest)
- US and Japan (off the map)



Ted Talk: Joe Nye (18 min)

- Joe Nye, Harvard foreign policy expert.
- Take notes (there will be questions on the exam).

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- Look in particular for:
 - How power distribution is changing.
 - The three ways to wield power.
 - The concepts of "soft" and "smart" power.



https://www.ted.com/talks/joseph_nye_on_global_power_shifts

Concepts from the Video

- **Hard power:** coercive action – use of military or economic sanctions.
- **Soft power:** influence derived from the appeal of a country's ideas, beliefs, customs, and culture.
- **Smart power:** reliance on both a strong military together with diplomacy, partnerships, and international institutions.
- Nye: hard power + soft power = smart power.

What of multipolarity?

- Nye:
 - Unipolar in terms of firepower.
 - Multipolar in terms of economic power.
 - Anarchic (i.e., no one is in charge) in terms of everything else:
 - Non-state actors.
 - Global trends and processes.

Firepower: Unipolarity



Economic Power: Multipolarity



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- The European Union enlarged significantly.
- Russia converted to capitalism, but failed at democracy.
- China passed Japan as the world's second largest economy.
- Demise of the Monroe Doctrine (Latin America as US sphere of influence – 1823).
- Emergence of BRICS countries and the G-20 as influential global actors.

Some Key Groupings

- G-7: the seven largest democratic capitalist countries.
 - US, Canada, UK, France, Germany, Italy, Japan
- G-20: twenty largest economies (80% of world GDP).
- BRICS: Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa.
 - Major influential states outside the G-7.

War and Peace in the Post-Cold War Era

- War is still modern and total. But not global.
- Barnett (video): The American military force – the "Leviathan" – can probably win any war.
- Remember: the US is #1 in global firepower (globalfirepower.com).

War and Peace in the Post-Cold War Era

- Barnett (video): The US knows how to plan and execute a war. But we do not know how to plan for the peace that comes afterward.
 - Building new systems: political, financial, economic, social, cultural.
 - Maintaining public order in the process.
- Examples: Haiti, Iraq, Afghanistan.

War and Peace in the Post-Cold War Era

- Invasion and occupation is (relatively) easy.
- The results:
 - Leadership is removed.
 - Institutions are usually destroyed.
 - A power vacuum results.
 - Public order breaks down.
 - Infrastructure is usually degraded.
 - Natives quickly grow to resent US presence.

Barnett's Solution

- Take responsibility for post-war activities out of the Department of Defense.



War and Peace in the Post-Cold War Era

- The solution to modern wars? Not clear. But the challenge is.
 - War has changed.
 - From battlefields to jungles and to urban centers.
 - From symmetrical armed forces to guerilla forces to terrorist networks.
 - From enemy combatants who wear uniforms to combatants who blend in.

What do Barnett and Nye have in common?

- Wars cannot be won by military means alone.
- "Smart power is the use of American power in ways that would help prevent and resolve conflict - not just send our military in."*

* Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, 2009.

Your Papers

- Worth nine points.
- Full points were not hard to earn. You lost points only if:
 - You didn't answer the question.
 - Your answer was too simplistic.
 - You wrote things that are wrong.