

University of New Hampshire

Spring Term, AY2017-18

Political Science 403: The U.S. in World Affairs

TAKE-HOME ESSAY SET #6 (4%)
Due Wednesday, 5 March at the beginning of class

I expect, and will grade accordingly, that you will comply with the following:

- 1) I suggest you review **WRITING IN POLT 403**.
- 2) The essays will be graded on a 100 point scale.
- 3) The essays will be single-spaced with normal default spacing, 1" margins, and of required length or the handwritten equivalent. You will use a font with a size of 11 or 12 and a face such as Times New Roman or the equivalent. Examples of faces you will not use are `courier new` and `OCR`. *Failure to follow the above can cost a 5 of 100 points.*
- 4) Each essay will begin with a topic sentence or a thesis statement. *Failure to do this will cost 5 points.*
- 5) When you draw from a reading or another source, credit the reading or source with a note in the form – (Bressler, p. 180). *If I find inadequate sourcing in an essay, I will assign a cut of up to 5 points for that essay.*
- 6) *If an essay is not of the required length, I will assign a cut of up to 5 of points for that essay.*

You may not collaborate on this task.

Topic: Causality as the Basis of Policy Analysis

My website: Ingram, “A Useful Concept of Causation”

1. (60) **In a 3/4-page essay**, using “A Useful Concept of Causation,” *describe* how you should approach the issue of causality -- why things happen. Ensure you discuss inference.

Topic: History and Concepts (IV)

My website: Ingram, “Why Did the USSR Collapse?”

2. (40) **In a ½-page essay**, *apply* what you told me in the previous essay to *discuss* why the USSR collapsed. Ensure you do not conflate the end of the Cold War with collapse of the USSR. These are related but two separate events.

If you wish to revisit the CNN movie, go to YouTube –

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrMgpWWDqkQ> This will be #23, but it is easy to find #24