

Great Decisions – Spring Semester
Tuesday Lecture Series on Foreign Policy



Venue and time: Carroll Hall, 7pm

January 11 (Wednesday)- *First day of Spring classes*

1. January 17

Introductory class—Course introduction, TA introduction, student recitation sign-up

2. January 24

UN Reform—speaker: Thomas Oatley, UNC professor of political science

3. January 31

Brazil—speaker: Peter Hakim, president of the Inter-American Dialogue

4. February 7

NO CLASS

5. February 14

Human rights in the age of terrorism—speaker: Andrew Patel, lead attorney for “detainee” Jose Padilla

6. February 21

The U.S. & Iran—speaker: Jalil Roshandel, visiting professor of political science, Duke University

7. February 28

Global health pandemics and security—speakers: Dr. Ed Baker, Director of the North Carolina Institute for Public Health; Dr. Peggy Bentley, Associate Dean for Global Health, UNC School of Public Health

8. March 7

Turkey—speaker: David Cuthell, professor at Georgetown and Columbia

9. March 14

NO CLASS (Spring Break)

10. March 21

Energy resources—speaker: Jerry Taylor, CATO Senior Fellow (energy and environment)

11. March 28

China and India—speaker: Robert Hathaway, Director, Asia Program, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Some more information on Great Decisions:

The Great Decisions at UNC–Chapel Hill is an outreach program of the Foreign Policy Association ([FPA](#)). There are over two thousand [Great Decisions](#) programs across the U.S. The mission of each program is to facilitate national awareness and critical analysis of the current events that roil foreign affairs.

At Carolina, the Great Decisions program is a class with two core parts. In the fall, a twenty–two member coordinating committee of Carolina’s top undergraduates finds eight speakers on eight current international topics and manage the logistical, financial, and administrative aspects of creating a lecture series. This year’s co–chairs are Jeanne Morris and Carr Harkrader. In the spring, the committee members become Teaching Assistants for the class, INTS 093, which centers on the eight high–profile lectures. Discussion sessions after each lecture are run by the committee members. Students can enroll for a one–hour credit on a pass/fail basis. A faculty member, this year Prof Liesbet Hooghe, supervises the program.

Approximately 300 undergraduates and community participants enroll in Great Decisions (INTS 093), and all lectures are free and open to the public. We take UNC to the communities that surround us. The committee runs an outreach program to three local retirement communities.

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