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designed to offer scholarly lectures to the spouses, partners, and significant others of our students; military/civilian employees assigned to the Naval War College and Naval Station Newport and its tenant activities; Foundation members; and local-area retirees or active/reserve personnel.

Participation is voluntary (no reading or writing assignments). In previous years these lectures were presented live in Pringle Auditorium. Due to the COVID-19 crisis, however, these lectures will be conducted on-line using the Zoom conferencing system. Live lectures may be reinstated when conditions permit.

Lectures will he held approximately every other week on Tuesday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:35 pm (followed by a 30-minute Discussion Group for those interested).

There will be 18 lectures during from September 2020 through May 2021. A link to the Zoom sessions will be posted by the Public Affairs Office one day prior to each lecture. These lectures are being offered to provide intellectual stimulation to the participants, and no formal academic credit will be awarded. Participants who complete at least 60% of the offered lectures can qualify to receive a Certificate of Participation at the end of the series.

Join the Zoom event here: https://usnwc.zoom.us/j/93193049175 Meeting ID: 931 9304 9175 Passcode: 288576

2020-2021 LECTURE DATES AND TOPICS

| 1 September | Alfred Thayer Mahan Professor John Maurer |
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| 15 September | Naval War College 101: All You Need to Know |
| 29 September | Why Russia Lost the Cold War Professor Sally Paine |
| 13 October | <i>The Function of History at NWC</i> Professor Dave Kohnen |
| 27 October | China's Navy + Zombies Professor Jim Holmes |
| 10 November | <i>Ethics and Emerging Military Technology</i> Professor Tom Creely |
| 1 December | Machines vs. Humans Professor Tim Schultz |
| 8 December | Robots That Swim, Fly and Crawl Professor John Jackson |
| 12 January | National Security and Space Professor David Burbach |
| 26 January | <i>Modern Monuments Men</i> Ms. Jessica Fowler and Mr. Blake Ruehrwein |
| 9 February | Feral Cities Professor Rick Norton |
| 23 February | <i>Strategic Dynamics in the South China Sea</i> Professor Peter Dutton |
| 9 March | Racial and Gender Diversity in the Military and in Society Professor Pauline Shanks Kaurin |
| 23 March | <i>Civil-Military Relationships</i> Professor Jessica Blankshain & Professor Lindsay Cohn |
| 6 April | China: Hegemony and Humiliation Professor Dex Wilson |
| 27 April | <i>Climate Change and National Security</i> CDR Andrea Cameron, USN |
| 4 May | <i>The Arctic</i> Professor Walter Berbick |
| 18 May | Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief |

Professor Dave Polatty