

Saint-Cyr's Military Academy Direction of academic studies and research Division of social and political sciences	Academic year
Honour's course	2017-2018
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Military and Social Ethics

1. Aim of the course

This course will explore contemporary warfare ethics and social ethics issues relevant to future officers' operational and strategic environments.

2. Organisation of the course (one hour blocks)

Tuesday, 7 June

- Human rights and their forfeiture
- Just war tradition: *ad bellum* and *in bello* criteria

Wednesday, 8 June

- Unmanned systems
- Unmanned systems

Thursday, 9 June

- Military cyber operations
- Military cyber operations

Friday, 10 June

- Non-lethal weapons
- Non-lethal weapons

Monday, 13 June

- Human enhancement technologies
- Human enhancement technologies
- Private military contractors

Tuesday, 14 June

- Post-9/11 warfare ethics debates
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- Comparative warfare ethics: China, Russia and Islam...
- Islamic liberal democracy?

Wednesday, 15 June

- Critique: Western liberal democracies in decline?
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Thursday, 16 June

- Wrap up and oral examinations
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3. Type of exam

Oral. Students will be required to state and defend, in class, their position on one of the normative issues covered during the class.

4. Plan of the course

See #2 above.

5. Bibliography

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- Paul Berman, “The Philosopher of Islamic Terror,” *New York Times Magazine*, 2003
- Edward Barrett, “Hermeneutics and Human Rights: Liberal Democracy, Catholicism, and Islam,” in *Political Islam: From Muhammad to Ahmadinejad* (2009)

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