



Naval War College Workshop



“A ‘Common Sense’ Approach to Foreign Policy in the 21st Century”

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Professor Seagrave will outline a broad foreign policy strategy centered on the perennially important factors of geographical situation, the purposes of bordered national sovereignty, and the value of human society. Insights from Paine’s “Common Sense” will serve as inspirations or touchstones throughout—with implications for discussing the “America First” doctrine, the Trans-Pacific Partnership, the European Union and Brexit, the Paris Climate Accords, and other recent issues.

Professor Seagrave received his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Notre Dame and currently serves as Kinder Institute Associate Professor of Constitutional Democracy and Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Missouri, as well as managing editor of the journal *American Political Thought*. His first book, *The Foundations of Natural Morality: On the Compatibility of Natural Rights and the Natural Law*, was published by the University of Chicago Press in 2014, and his second book, *Liberty and Equality: The American Conversation*, was published in 2015 by the University Press of Kansas. He recently published a third book, a modern re-phrasing of selected Federalist Papers entitled *The Accessible Federalist* (Hackett Publishing Co., 2017), and he is also at work on a book project that will provide an account of nature’s relevance to American political thought and development.

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