

International Studies Review Publishes Dr. Vanzo's Article

The highly respected political science journal *International Studies Review* is publishing an article by Bainbridge College Assistant Professor Dr. John P. Vanzo in its Fall 2007 edition.

In the article "A How-To Handbook for Hegemons," Dr. Vanzo reviews and critiques the book Great Powers and Geopolitical Change by Professor Jakub J. Griegel.

Griegel is the George H.W. Bush Chair of International Relations at the Nitze School of Advanced International Studies at The John Hopkins University. His book analyzes three historical case studies dating from the 16th century in order to support his central thesis regarding the proper role geopolitics should play in an empire's strategic behavior.

In the final chapter of his book, Griegel applies these lessons to the current global situation, specifically making some recommendations for future American political leaders.

Dr. Vanzo's review is generally complimentary, but one aspect of Griegel's book comes under sharp criticism: the total lack of mention of the Iraq War. In the article he says, "The Bush Administration's (mis)adventure in Iraq is never addressed in the book. The war is the giant elephant in the parlor of American foreign policy, and it is strange, to say the least, that Griegel never even broaches the subject. What makes it especially bizarre is that our invasion of

Iraq is exactly the kind of self-defeating imperial overstretch that Griegel's historical case studies warn about."



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