

Is geopolitics still relevant?

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Outline

1. Continued relevance of geopolitics
2. Geopolitical culture
3. Feminist geopolitics
4. Post 9/11 imperial geopolitics
5. Case study: Uzbek-American relations



The continued relevance of geopolitics

1. Empire and imperial discourses
2. Religion and moral geographies
3. Gender and militarization

Contemporary American geopolitical culture

| Discourse | Key Intellectuals | Lexicon |
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| Empire | Neo-conservatives Rumsfeld G.W. Bush Barnett Ignatieff | globalization counterinsurgency liberation Homeland security Core/Gap |

Feminist geopolitics

1. Redefining the political
2. The “God-trick”
3. Normative commitments?
 - Human security ?
 - Nonviolence?
4. Masculinities – inflect militarism in a given state & are thus important for understanding international politics

Post 9/11 imperial geopolitics

A. 9/11 Rescue Efforts

1. Gendered images of rescue
2. Re-militarization of society
3. Manhood as tied to fighting war / protecting “womenandchildren”

