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#### NEW FACES

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policymakers participated in interrelated processes of political violence and political development. An article dealing with some of these themes is forthcoming in the *Journal of Cold War Studies*. Evan holds an M.A. in international relations from Yale University (2007) and a B.A. in international relations from Boston University (2003). Before returning to academia, he served as a policy analyst at the Department of Homeland Security where he worked on U.S.-Latin American relations.

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## FACULTY DISCUSSANTS

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## GRADUATE STUDENT DISCUSSANTS

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**Sara Bush** is a doctoral candidate in the History Department at UNC-Chapel Hill. Her dissertation research focuses on the implications of inefficiency and interagency conflict in the process of U.S. intelligence collection about the Chinese Communist Party in the 1940s. She holds a Master's degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, where she specialized in security studies and Asia. Prior to starting her doctoral program, Sara served as an intelligence analyst for the U.S. government in Washington DC from 2003 to 2009 and as a program assistant at the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations, a non-governmental organization in New York City, from 2000 to 2002.

**James Covington** is studying Military history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as part of the U. S. Marine Corps Advanced Degree Program. His research interests include the Balkans during the breakup of the Former Yugoslavia (1992–1995), more specifically, United States foreign policy toward the region. He earned his BA in Peace, War, and Defense (with a minor in Geography) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2005. After completing his master's degree, Capt. Covington will teach at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD.

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## CHAIRS

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