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Feminist Foreign Policy and Global Security

Everyday Security, Feminism, and the Continuum of Violence – This article provides an in-depth overview of feminist scholarship, and feminist security scholarship in particular. With this, the author argues that the concepts and analyses of feminist research, which challenge traditional security studies, enable a broader understanding of security. This more inclusive approach to the analysis of global conflict is said to be necessary to address today's security challenges, *Journal of Global Security Studies*. Read [the article](#).

Feminist Foreign Policy and Deterrence – Acknowledging the importance of post-deterrence planning, this article examines the importance of applying a feminist approach to deterrence. Relying on the cases of North Korea and the Taiwan Strait as examples, the authors push the limits of the logic of deterrence and argue for a multifaceted framework placing both de-escalation and post-deterrence defensive planning front and centre, *Centre for Feminist Foreign Policy*. Read [the article](#).



Advancing a Feminist Approach to National Security – In this article, the author examines key steps made by the American government in the development of a feminist approach to national security. Understanding what has been done leads the report to focus on what remains to be done,

and the author seizes this opportunity to provide several policy-oriented recommendations. Overall, the article provides a clear summary of the state of development of a US feminist foreign and national security policy, *Georgetown Security Studies Review*. Read [the article](#).

Podcasts of Note



Retrieved Podcast Series

Retrieved is a Feminist Foreign Policy Podcast Series hosted by the Heinrich Böll Foundation. The series consists of five episodes, each tackling a dimension of a feminist approach to foreign policy.



F! It! Podcast

Led by the International Women's Development Agency (IWDA), the F! It! podcast series bringing feminist and First Nations approaches to the heart of foreign policy conversations.



The Arms Control Poseur

In this episode of the International Institute for Strategic Studies' *The Arms Control Poseur* Podcast, Louis Reitman discusses all things feminist foreign policy, offering an overview of its meaning, origin, and implications.



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Germany Has a New Feminist Foreign Policy. What Does It Mean in Practice? – In this article, the author provides a clear and concise explanation of what is a Feminist Foreign Policy and what the practical implications of such a policy are. The cases of Germany and Canada are discussed, *Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*. Read [the article](#).

Women, Peace, and Security: A Conversation with Rachel Vogelstein – This interview features a discussion with Rachel Vogelstein, Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of the Gender Policy Council. Topics covered include the gender dimension of diplomacy and security as well as the work of the Gender Policy Council, *Center for Strategic and International Studies*. Watch [the video](#).

Assessing the Impact of Canada's Feminist Foreign Assistance – This article evaluates the impact of Canada's new Feminist International Assistance Policy (FIAP), focusing on the effect the policy has had on the ground. The author concludes that while FIAP is a step in the right direction, more transparency is needed understand its contributions, *Policy Magazine*. Read [the article](#).

See also: The inaugural edition of a newsletter by Canada's Special Representative on Combatting Islamophobia, Amira Elghawaby. This issue gives an overview of the Special Representative's work over the past year, Read [here](#).

Upcoming Events



What Ukraine's case teaches us about morality, law and humanity

Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy
Register [here](#). Event in Toronto, Canada

7 June, 2024
18:00 EDT

Building NORAD's Northern Infrastructure

Canadian Global Affairs Institute
Register [here](#). Event in Ottawa, Canada

13 June, 2024
08:00 EDT

International Studies Association – Canada Conference

McGill University
Register [here](#). Event in Montreal, Canada

12-14 June, 2024

Cold War 2.0: AI, Technology & Geopolitics

Canadian International Council
Register [here](#). Event in Edmonton, Canada

14 June, 2024
17:00–18:00 EDT

Food Waste, Food Insecurity, and the Globalization of the Food Banks

Balsillie School of International Affairs
Register [here](#). Virtual Event

25 June, 2024
10:00–11:00 EDT

Diversions



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