**Short Biography**

John J. Mearsheimer is the R. Wendell Harrison Distinguished Service Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago, where he has taught since 1982. He graduated from West Point (1970), has a PhD in political science from Cornell University (1981), and has written extensively about security issues and international politics. Among his seven books, *The Tragedy of Great Power Politics* (2001, 2014) won the Joseph Lepgold Book Prize and has been translated into nine languages; *The Israel Lobby and U.S. Foreign Policy* (with Stephen M. Walt, 2007), made the *New York Times* bestseller list and has been translated into twenty-five languages; and *The Great Delusion: Liberal Ideals and International Realities* (2018), won the 2019 Best Book of the Year Award from the Valdai Discussion Conference, Moscow and has been translated into nine languages. His latest book is *How States Think: The Rationality of Foreign Policy* (with Sebastian Rosato, 2023). He has also written numerous articles and op-eds that have appeared in *International Security, The Economist, The London Review of Books, Foreign Affairs, The Financial Times*, and *The New York Times*. In 2003, he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and in 2020, he won the James Madison Award, which is given once every three years by the American Political Science Association to “an American political scientist who has made a distinguished scholarly contribution to political science.”

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**Long Biography:**

John J. Mearsheimer is the R. Wendell Harrison Distinguished Service Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago, where he has taught since 1982. He graduated from West Point in 1970 and then served five years as an officer in the U.S. Air Force. He then started graduate school in political science at Cornell University in 1975. He received his Ph.D. in 1980. He spent the 1979-1980 academic year as a research fellow at the Brookings Institution and was a post-doctoral fellow at Harvard University's Center for International Affairs from 1980 to 1982. During the 1998-1999 academic year, he was the Whitney H. Shepardson Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York.

Professor Mearsheimer has written extensively about security issues and international politics more generally. He has published seven books: *Conventional Deterrence* (1983), which won the Edgar S. Furniss, Jr., Book Award; *Liddell Hart and the Weight of History* (1988); *The Tragedy of Great Power Politics* (2001, 2014), which won the Joseph Lepgold Book Prize and has been translated into ten different languages; *The Israel Lobby and U.S. Foreign Policy* (with Stephen M. Walt, 2007), which made the *New York Times* best seller list and has been translated into twenty-six different languages; *Why Leaders Lie: The Truth about Lying in International Politics* (2011), which has been translated into thirteen different languages; *The Great Delusion: Liberal Dreams and International Realities* (2018), which has been translated into nine different languages and was the recipient of the 2019 Best Book of the Year Award from the Valdai Discussion Conference, Moscow; and *How States Think: The Rationality of Foreign Policy* (with Sebastian Rosato, 2023).

He has also written many articles that have appeared in academic journals like *International Security*, and popular magazines like *Foreign Affairs, The Economist,* and *The* *London Review of Books*. Furthermore, he has written op-ed pieces for newspapers like *The* *New York Times* and *The* *Financial Times* dealing with topics like Bosnia, nuclear proliferation, US policy towards India, the failure of Arab-Israeli peace efforts, the folly of invading Iraq, the causes of the Ukrainian crisis, and the likelihood of Iran acquiring nuclear weapons.

Finally, Professor Mearsheimer has received several awards and honors. He received the Clark Award for Distinguished Teaching when he was a graduate student at Cornell in 1977, and he won the Quantrell Award for Distinguished Teaching at the University of Chicago in 1985. He was selected as a Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar for the 1993-1994 academic year. In that capacity, he gave a series of talks at eight colleges and universities. He received honorary doctorates from universities in China, Greece, and Romania; and in 2003, he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In 2020, he won the James Madison Award, which is given once every three years by the American Political Science Association to “an American political scientist who has made a distinguished scholarly contribution to political science.”

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