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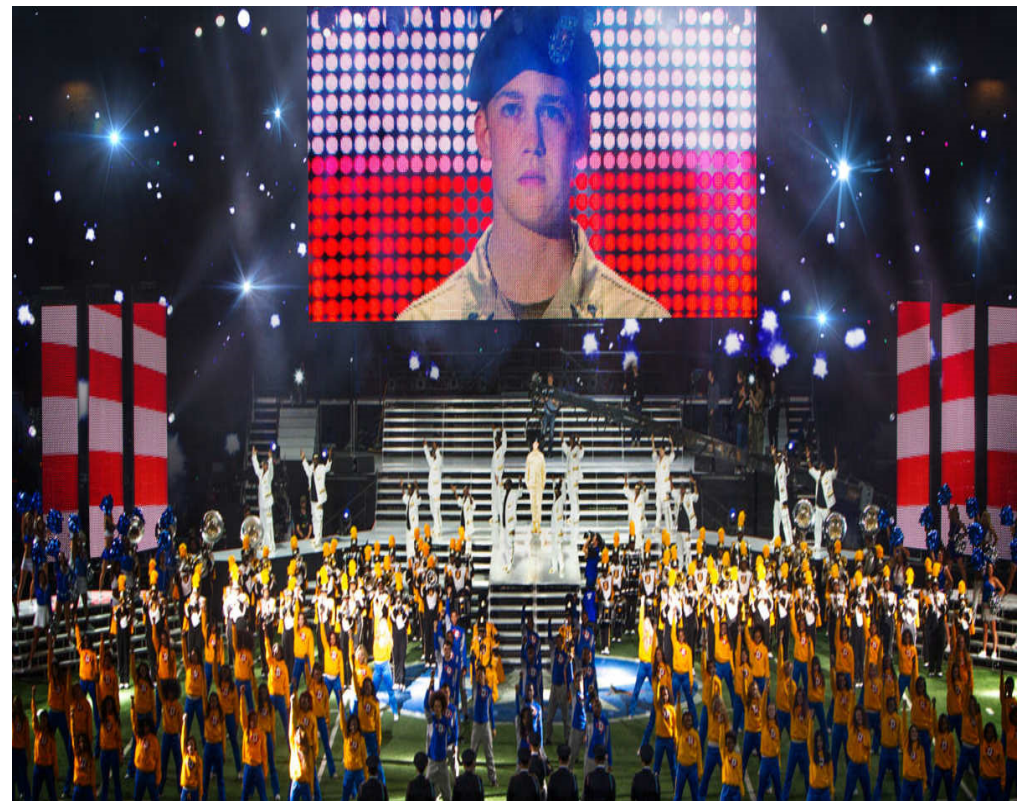
Time: Monday May 29th; 1415-1600. Venue: 1467-515. No registration required.



Andrew Hartman: *How Karl Marx Challenges the Liberal Tradition in American Intellectual History*

The mid-twentieth-century political scientist Louis Hartz forcefully argued that liberalism was the only political ideology that had taken hold in the United States because American history, unlike European history, lacked a feudal past. This explains why American leftists have looked to Karl Marx since the late nineteenth century as a way to distinguish their political philosophy from the liberal tradition.

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Raymond Haberski, Jr.: *War in American Thought and Religion*

War is American thought: it has helped shape American identity, found the nation, redefine freedom, build an empire, and test American exceptionalism. War is also an American religion. The nineteenth century witnessed an explosion of religion in American society and a dangerous intertwining of God and war. And while American religiosity changed significantly throughout the twentieth century, an American faith in war has offered a spiritual connection to a manufactured mythical past.

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