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Global Strategic Issues



Anne Applebaum is a leading journalist and Pulitzer Prize-winning author who writes on global and transatlantic affairs and is an expert commentator on Eastern European politics.

Professional experience

- Anne is a prominent weekly columnist working for the *Washington Post*, based in both London and Warsaw, and has been an occasional writer for the *Daily Telegraph* and the *Sunday Telegraph* since 1994.
- She is the author of a Pulitzer-prize winning book on the Soviet Gulag.
- Her areas of expertise are; US foreign policy; democratic revolutions; Russian politics and its opposition; totalitarian societies; the history of communism; Afghanistan and transatlantic security policy.
- Her articles and columns have featured in countless international publications, including the *New York Review of Books*, the *Wall Street Journal*, *Financial Times*, *International Herald Tribune*, *Foreign Affairs*, *The Weekly Standard*; *The National Review*; *The New Republic*; *Suddeutsche Zeitung*, *Die Welt*, *Cicero*, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, *Le Nouvel Observateur*, *Commentaire* and many others.

Books, Published papers, Media

- Her first book *Between East and West; across the borderlands of Europe*, was published by Pantheon Books, New York, in 1994 and by Macmillan, London, in 1995.
- Her second book, *Gulag: a history*, was published by Doubleday, New York and Penguin, London in 2002 and was subsequently translated into 26 languages.
- She is researching her next book, *Iron Curtain*, which focuses on the Stalinisation of post-war Central Europe and will be published by Doubleday in 2012.
- Her edited anthology, *Gulag Voices*, was published by Yale University Press in December 2010.
- Anne has won the Pulitzer Prize for General Non-Fiction (2004), the Duff Cooper History Prize (2004), was a National Book Critics Circle Award Finalist (2004) and a Samuel Johnson Prize Finalist (2004), a LA Times Book Award Finalist (2004), National Book Award Finalist (2003), won the Adolph Bentinck Special Mention Award for *Between East and West* (1996) and the Charles Douglas-Home Memorial Trust journalism prize (1992).
- She has been a fellow of the American Academy in Berlin Fellowship (2006), a Hoover Institution Media Fellow (1999) and an Associate Fellow of the American Enterprise Institute (2004-9). She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and serves on the advisory boards of the Moscow School of Political Studies and the American Interest Magazine.
- Anne appears regularly on radio and television, for example, as a presenter on *The Week in Westminster* on BBC4, and the BBC's *Newsnight*, *Today*, *Question Time* as well as Sky News, CNN, C-Span, PBS, MSNBC and CBS Evening News.

Sample assignments

- Anne has given public lectures at Yale, Stanford, Columbia, Williams, Colgate, Carnegie-Mellon and Pennsylvania Universities in the USA, at Humboldt University in Berlin, the University of Heidelberg, the American Enterprise Institute, the Brookings Institution, the Hoover Institution, the Grano Lecture Series in Toronto, the Hay-on-Wye Festival in the UK, the Twentieth Century Institute in Budapest, the Moscow School of Political Studies and the Instytut Pamieci Narodowej in Warsaw.
- She has conducted numerous seminars including ones at Harvard, Princeton, George Mason and George Washington Universities, as well as the US State Department.
- Anne has moderated senior level panel discussions – panelists have included Ukraine Prime Minister Julia Tymoshenko, Swedish Foreign Minister Carl Bildt, New Zealand Prime Minister Jenny Shipley and many other leading academics, politicians and business personalities.

Sample presentation topics

- *US politics for outsiders.*
- *US-European relations; how attitudes towards one another are evolving.*
- *The Politics and Economics of Poland and Central Europe.*
- *The Politics and Economics of Russia.*

Anne Applebaum - Personal bio-data

- Columnist with the *Washington Post* since 2002 and was an Editorial Board member until 2006.
- Foreign policy columnist with *Slate* online magazine from 1999-2002 and again from 2006 to present.
- Associate Editor and Weekly Columnist, British and Foreign Politics at the *Evening Standard* 1996-7.
- Foreign and Deputy Editor, 1993-96 at *The Spectator*.
- Africa Editor 1991-92 and Warsaw Correspondent 1988-91 at *The Economist*.
- Anne lives in both London and Warsaw and is married to Radek Sikorski, Poland's Foreign Minister.

"...communist ideology is definitely gone. Nobody pays lip service to it anymore. Nobody takes it seriously. It's not part of the debate at all. But the institutions remain, and they have transmogrified themselves into something new and rather interesting, which unoriginally I'm going to call Putinism."

Anne Applebaum, 2007

