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### Bio

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#### BIO

Amy Zegart is co-director and senior fellow at the Center for International Security and Cooperation, Freeman Spogli Institute, Stanford University. She is also the Davies Family Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution – where she directs the Cyber Policy Program and National Security Affairs Fellows program – and professor of political science, by courtesy. She is a contributing editor to The Atlantic.

Before coming to Stanford in 2011, Zegart served as professor of public policy at UCLA's Luskin School of Public Affairs. Her research examines U.S. intelligence challenges, cyber security, political risk, grand strategy, and American foreign policy. She has authored several books, including *Flawed by Design: The Evolution of the CIA, JCS, and NSC*, which won the highest national dissertation award in political science, and *Spying Blind: The CIA, the FBI, and the Origins of 9/11*, which won the National Academy of Public Administration's Brownlow Book Award. Most recently, she is the co-author, with Condoleezza Rice, of *Political Risk: How Businesses and Organizations Can Anticipate Global Insecurity* (Twelve Books, May 2018).

Zegart was featured by the National Journal as one of the ten most influential experts in intelligence reform. She served on the Clinton administration's National Security Council staff and as a foreign policy adviser to the Bush-Cheney 2000 presidential campaign. She has testified before the Senate Intelligence Committee, provided training to the Marine Corps, and advised officials on intelligence and homeland security matters. From 2009 to 2011 she served on the National Academies of Science Panel to Improve Intelligence Analysis. Her commentary has been featured on national television and radio shows and in the New York Times, Washington Post, Los Angeles Times.

Before her academic career, Zegart spent three years at McKinsey & Company advising leading companies about strategy and organizational effectiveness.

A former Fulbright scholar, Zegart received an AB in East Asian studies magna cum laude from Harvard University and an MA and PhD in political science from Stanford University.

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Senior Fellow, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies
- Hoover Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution

- Senior Fellow, by courtesy, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies

## ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Co-Director, Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC), (2013- present)
- Associate Director for Academic Affairs, Hoover Institution, (2013-2015)

## PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Stanford University , Political Science (1996)
- M.A., Political Science , Stanford University (1993)
- A.B., Harvard College , East Asian Studies (1989)

## LINKS

- CISAC Page: [http://cisac.stanford.edu/people/amy\\_zegart/](http://cisac.stanford.edu/people/amy_zegart/)
- Hoover page: <http://www.hoover.org/fellows/8511>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/amyzegart>

## Research & Scholarship

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### CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

U.S. intelligence, cybersecurity, political risk, grand strategy

## Teaching

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### COURSES

#### 2017-18

- Interschool Honors Program in International Security Studies: IIS 199 (Aut, Win)

#### 2016-17

- International Security in a Changing World: IPS 241, POLISCI 114S (Win)

## Publications

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### PUBLICATIONS

- **The Cuban Missile Crisis as Intelligence Failure** *POLICY REVIEW*  
Zegart, A. B.  
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- **The Domestic Politics of Irrational Intelligence Oversight** *POLITICAL SCIENCE QUARTERLY*  
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- **Policy Planning in the Twenty - First Century: Why the Best is Not Yet to Come** *Avoiding Trivia: Strategic Planning in American Foreign Policy*  
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- **Spying Blind: The CIA, the FBI, and the Origins of 9/11**  
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- **A First Draft of History of the Bush Administration: The Legend of a Democracy Promoter** *The National Interest*  
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- **9/11 and the FBI: The Organizational Roots of Failure** *Intelligence and National Security*  
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- **Flawed by Design: The Evolution of the CIA, JCS, and NSC**  
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Stanford University Press .1999