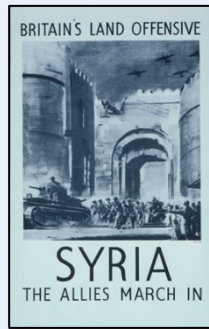


## SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER READING



### Should the United States intervene in the Syrian Civil War?

Prior to the Syrian civil war, little scholarly research focused directly on Syria's relevance to U.S. national interests, although the topic did receive considerable coverage in broader accounts of U.S. policy in the Middle East. The best book-length history of U.S.-Syrian relations is Robert G. Rabil's *Syria, the United States, and the War on Terror in the Middle East* (Praeger, 2006). Barry Rubin's *The Truth About Syria* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2007) provides an accessible recounting of Syria since independence, with limited coverage of the U.S. perspective. The outbreak of the civil in 2011 has sparked a flurry of writing on Syria and its strategic importance, of which the most insightful is Fouad Ajami's *The Syrian Rebellion* (Hoover Institution Press, 2012).

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### RELATED MATERIAL

- [Syria Undercover](#) (Frontline PBS)
- [Syria Behind the Lines](#) (Frontline PBS)

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