

## **Richard Tuck**

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**Richard Tuck** is Frank G. Thomson Professor of Government in the Department of Government at Harvard University. His works include *Natural Rights Theories: Their origin and development* (1979), *Hobbes* (1989), *Philosophy and Government, 1572-1651* (1993), and *The Rights of War and Peace: Political thought and the international order from Grotius to Kant* (1999), based upon his Carlyle Lectures delivered in Oxford in 1991. They address a variety of topics including political authority, human rights, natural law, and toleration, and focus on a number of thinkers including Hobbes, Grotius, Selden, and Descartes. His current work deals with political thought and international law, and traces the history of thought about international politics from Grotius, Hobbes, Pufendorf, Locke, and Vattel, to Kant. He is also engaged in a work on the origins of twentieth century economic thought; in it he argues that the 'free rider' problem was only invented, as a problem, in recent decades. Thus his interests to a remarkable degree span concerns in all subfields of the discipline.

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