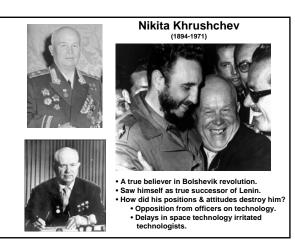
## ASTR 4800: Space Science -Practice & Policy

- Today's Topic: Khrushchev and USSR Space Policies
- Homework: McDougall, Chapters 15 & 18
- Exam 1 on September 19th.



## What was impact of Sputnik?

- Verified Soviet claims of working ICBMs.
- Validated superiority of USSR technology & socialism.
- Khrushchev became main guide & proponent of Soviet space program.
- Led American panic of "missile gap". But, was it real?
- Crisis in USSR policy => being ahead rather than traditional game of "catch up"!

