

State of Play

 Universal Pictures | Starring Russell Crowe, Ben Affleck, Rachel McAdams, Helen Mirren, Robin Wright Penn, Jason Bateman, Jeff Daniels | Rated PG-13

U.S. Congressman Stephen Collins (Ben Affleck) is a rising star and chairman of a committee overseeing defense spending. His party has high hopes for him that he will become a national leader. But these political hopes are dashed when his beautiful staff assistant dies tragically and secrets are exposed.

Cal McAffrey (Russell Crowe), a D.C. reporter, is a longtime friend of Collins' but his editor, Cameron Lynne (Helen Mirren) assigns him to the story. As McAffrey and newbie reporter Della Frye (Rachel McAdams) investigate, McAffrey discovers a cover-up that will rock the power structures in the nation. In the city where money, power and politics rule, everyone is subject to suspense and scrutiny.

This film is rated PG-13 for language, sexual references and drug content.