

# GVPT NEWS

April, 2017

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- **TENURED** FACULTY MEETING: April 12, 11:45 a.m. in 2113 Chincoteague
- Maryland Day: April 29 from 10am to 4pm
- GVPT Distinguished Lecture Series, with Dr. Jacob Levy (McGill Univ), May 4, 3:30-4:45 p.m. in the Maryland Room, Marie Mount Hall. “Justice in Babylon: Disagreement, Conflict, an Alienation in Political Life.”
- GVPT, CPS-IS, & Bahai’ Lecture with Youk Chhang, Director of the Documentation Center of Cambodia, May 9 2-3:30pm, Location TBA
- GVPT “End of Year Reception”, May 12, 12-2pm in 2113 Chincoteague
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### **MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR**

I trust everyone enjoyed their Spring Breaks, and now it is back to business.

The BSOS Faculty and Staff Recognition Reception will be on April 11<sup>th</sup> this year. This ceremony is a chance to show your support for colleagues being recognized for mentorship, research, teaching, and service. The reception will be held at the Stamp Student Union in the Charles Carroll Room.

Just to keep this on the top of your list, Maryland Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 29. Mark your calendars and come visit us from 10-4pm. GVPT, CAPC, and CIDCM/MIDCM will be stationed in front of Tydings. If you would like to volunteer to work the tent that day, please let Cissy know the hours you can participate. We would love to have you join us. [And here's hoping the weather cooperates.]

On May 4<sup>th</sup>, GVPT will be hosting our next Distinguished Guest Lecture with Dr. Jacob Levy, Professor of Political Science at McGill University. Prof. Levy will speak on "Justice in Babylon: Disagreement, Conflict, an Alienation in Political Life." This event will be in the Maryland Room, Marie Mount Hall at 3:30pm. Watch for emails about this lecture, and I hope to see you there.

Also in May, the GVPT Commencement ceremony will take place on Monday, May 22, 2017 at 9AM in the Armory. If you have already volunteered, thanks so much! If you haven't, please consider being part of this very important event in the life of our community.

Irwin L. Morris  
Professor and Chair



### **MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

**No New Updates this Month!**

Mike Hanmer  
GVPT, Director of Graduate Studies



### **MESSAGE FROM THE PLACEMENT DIRECTOR**

As Placement Director, I am here to help with any issues related to job searches and career planning more generally. Please feel free to ask me questions about any aspect of the process – from thinking about what type of job to pursue, to applying and interviewing, to seeking job outside academia. I am happy to comment on CVs and job application materials.

For students not yet on the market, don't wait to ask your questions and learn about the process.

Anyone on the market this year who receives an invitation to interview should immediately contact me to arrange a practice job talk.

Maryland has recently placed graduate students at top departments for tenure-track jobs and post-docs, and I look forward to helping to continue this trend.

Kathleen Cunningham  
Director of Placement



### **MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**

#### **Fall 2017 Registration**

Registration has begun for the Fall 2017 semester and will continue until the first week of May. Faculty should be aware of the following registration policies:

- GVPT majors are restricted from registering for no more than three GVPT courses.
- All 400-level courses are restricted to GVPT majors only.
- Non-majors may only take one course at the 100-300 level.

#### **Spring 2017 Commencement**

The GVPT Commencement ceremony will take place on Monday, May 22, 2017 at 9AM in the Armory. The department is currently looking for faculty volunteers to serve as members of the platform party. If you are available, please contact Karmin.

Scott Kastner

Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies

Karmin Cortes  
Assistant Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies



### **GVPT GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

For the rest of the year, GSA Methods Officer Trey Billing has arranged several more methods workshops. Ted Plettner shared his knowledge of time series and autogression in March. On April 4, Joan Timoneda will discuss Fixed Effects models. On April 18, Georgetown Professor Luke Keele will present on Innovations in Causal Inference. Everyone is welcome to attend!

[2017 GSA Methods Workshop schedule:](#)

**April 4:**

**Issues with Fixed Effects Models** - Joan Timoneda

**April 18:**

**Innovations in Causal Inference** - Luke Keele (Georgetown Professor)

All workshops will take place from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. Room locations and short descriptions will be emailed prior to each meeting. Feel free to send over any questions and I look forward to your attendance!

In March, the GSA finalized a set of ideas to improve the Grad Lab and submitted them to the Director of Graduate Studies. We want to thank the Department for consideration of these requests to support our work.

Also in March, several GSA members have been welcoming prospective students around the department showing them the campus and Tydings Hall, and answering questions about our program.

Finally, as always, feel free to contact the GSA co-chairs, Sean Rao ([seanrao@umd.edu](mailto:seanrao@umd.edu)) and Tegan George ([tigeorge@umd.edu](mailto:tigeorge@umd.edu)) with any questions or comments.

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## **STAFF AND ADMINISTRATION**

### **MAKE-UP EXAMS** (Proctoring)

The main office staff does not proctor or oversee make-up exams. Make-up exams will not be held in the GVPT main Office Conference Room.

### **RETURNING STUDENT PAPERS**

The main office staff does not collect or return student papers. If you want to provide a pick-up service, give the students a time when you will be in your office for them to pick the papers up. Leaving papers out for the students to flip through is a violation of student privacy. The best suggestion is to ask the students to provide a self addressed and stamped envelope and you will return the papers to them.

### **INSTALLING Personal Network Devices IS PROHIBITED**

Please refrain from connecting your own networking devices to the campus network. Not only is this a violation of the Policy on the Acceptable Use of Information Technology Resources (<http://www.nethics.umd.edu/aup/>), but also could cause much disruption to you, your colleagues, and our students. Such disruptions may be as serious as multi-building wide network outages (i.e., entire building data and voice services become unavailable).

If such a device is found on the network (i.e., a wired or wireless device that can hand out IP addresses) the device owner will be referred to the Division of IT's Security Office and their device will be confiscated.

If you have needs that you feel the campus network cannot fulfill, please contact OACS. We will work with you and our network and security offices to devise a networking solution that works for you, yet is in compliance with the campus' security rules and regulations.



## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR PHD Alums**

### **Books**

**Wu, Fengshi**, Ph.D. 2005, *China's Global Quest for Resources: Energy, Food and Water* (Routledge, 2016) (ed., with Hongzhou Zhang).

### **Chapter and Article Publications**

**Wu, Fengshi**, Ph.D. 2005, "Having Peers and Becoming One?: Collective Consciousness among Civil Society Actors in China," *Journal of Contemporary China*. (online first: DOI 10.1080/10670564.2017.1274820). 2017

### **Other**

**Bullock, John T.**, Ph.D. 2009, Earlier this month John's nomination for appointment to the St. Mary's College of Maryland Board of Trustees was confirmed by the Maryland State Senate.

**Mancos, Joseph**, Ph.D., 1987, received a Fulbright Teaching Scholar in Russia Award during the Spring Semester, 2016. He taught a course entitled "A Political History of the United States" at Moscow State Pedagogical University. The course focused on political issues and policies during the revolutionary, slavery, industrial, and post-industrial periods. Joseph is Professor of Political Science at Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory, NC where he has been teaching since 1986.



## **FIELD UPDATES - WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS**

### **AMERICAN POLITICS FIELD - WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS**

The American Politics Workshop is a bi-weekly research colloquium for faculty and graduate students. The workshop constitutes an ongoing research community where participants present and discuss papers in an informal, supportive environment. Papers are made available via the workshop website in advance of our meetings, and participants are expected to have read them. Discussion leaders are assigned on a rotating basis, matching papers with discussants who share complementary research interests. Many of the papers presented in recent years have gone on to publication in top tier political science journals.

The workshop is especially beneficial for our graduate students. It provides an excellent opportunity to interact with the American Politics faculty outside of the classroom and, for advanced graduate students actively engaged in scholarly research, the workshop can also be an invaluable source of professional advice. The American Politics faculty strongly encourages all of our graduate students to regularly participate in the workshop.

The AP Workshop website is: <http://www.gvpt.umd.edu>. Click the research tab and then select the American Politics Workshop.

**Workshops are held from 11-12:30pm** at the locations listed by date. While the workshop focuses on issues in American politics, all faculty and graduate students are welcome to attend.

2113 CHIN

Throughout the course of the semester we will hold periodic gatherings for the comparative field, including social events, speakers, and special topic seminars (e.g. how to do research in the field, how to get grants to go overseas). The comparative subfield is putting together a stellar lineup of guest speakers for the Fall. Although the Comparative Politics Workshop focuses on comparative politics, all faculty and graduate students are welcome to attend. **Workshops are held from 11-12:30pm.**

**26-April**                      **Pauline Jones-Luong, Professor -University of Michigan**                      **2113 CHIN**

The international relations workshop brings together faculty and graduate students with an interest in international relations. We invite faculty and graduate students to discuss their latest research; present papers in progress, with a formal discussant; present information for professional development; and invite guest speakers. Students are strongly encouraged to attend and we would also like to see some students present their own work in the workshop. Working papers will be posted on the IR Workshop website at [www.cidcm@umd.edu](http://www.cidcm@umd.edu), click on the Research tab and then open the IR workshop schedule as they become available. **Workshops are held on Mondays from 11-12:15pm in 1109 Chincoteague.**

### Spring 2017 Workshop Schedule:

**24-April** Professor Dan Reiter of Emory University.

Please watch for emails and newsletters for panels as we schedule them. All graduate students and faculty are welcome, especially those with some interest in wars and/or game theory. A lot of really clever work has been done recently in this area. So even if you don't care at all about wars, and couldn't care less about game theory, you should come just to find out what is going on.

## POLITICAL METHODOLOGY & FORMAL THEORY FIELD - WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS

## GSA Methods Workshops

**February 14:**

**Bayes I (Theory)** - Ernesto Calvo

**February 28:**

**Introduction to Spatial Data and GIS** - Trey Billing

**March 14:**

**Bayes II (Applied)** - Eric Dunford

**March 28:**

**Time Series Analysis** - Ted Plettner

**April 4:**

**Issues with Fixed Effects Models** - Joan Timoneda

**April 18:**

**Innovations in Causal Inference** - Luke Keele

For information and details of the Political Methodology and Formal Theory Field, please contact Professor David Cunningham [dacunnin@umd.edu](mailto:dacunnin@umd.edu).



## **CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Center for American Politics and Citizenship (CAPC)**

The Center had a successful Spring Internship Reception this past week. In spite of a rescheduling due to inclement weather and a special session of the House taking place at the same time as the event, we had nearly 100 people in attendance. We would like to thank the Department and BSOS for all of their support and Jane Hudiburg, the Page and Internship Coordinator at the General Assembly for her help in planning and coordinating the event.

The Summer 2017 Internship Application will be available on Monday April 3rd. The due date for the application will be May 26th. Please contact Center Coordinator Christian Hosam at [chosam@umd.edu](mailto:chosam@umd.edu) with any questions.

### **Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM)**

#### **CIDCM/IR Workshops:**

**Monday, April 3, 2017 11:00 am- 12:15 pm**

- Join us for a CIDCM/IR Workshop featuring Professor Barcu Savun, from the University of Pittsburgh.

**Monday, April 24, 2017 11:00 am- 12:15**



- Join us for a CIDCM/IR Workshop featuring Professor Dan Reiter of Emory University.

### Watch for more information on a Summer Course on Multi-Track Diplomacy:

Multi-Track Diplomacy: Transforming Violent Conflict course with John Davies and Edy Kaufman, "The Israeli-Palestinian Experiment: Lessons Learned and the Search for Common Ground."

### ❖ Sadat Chair for Peace

On April 5<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Telhami, the Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development, will be speaking to the University of Maryland College Republicans where he will be discussing the impact of Trump's policies on the global landscape, especially the Middle East. He will also be participating in "History and Society on TV in the Middle East," a conference hosted by the Department of History and Middle East Studies Field Committee at UMD, on April 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> where he will be serving on a panel titled "Memory, Connection, Dissent" where he will be discussing "The Generative Politics of TV Dramas across the Mid East."

Looking ahead to May, Dr. Telhami will be delivering a talk to the Women's National Democratic Club on "The U.S. Role in a Changing World." This talk will be taking place on May 9<sup>th</sup> in Washington, DC. Dr. Telhami will also be participating in George Washington University's Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS)'s Annual Conference on May 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>.



## **FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS**

### **Chapter and Article Publications**

**Allee, Todd**, Manfred Elsig, and Andrew Lugg, "Is the European Union Trade Deal with Canada New or Recycled? A Text-as-data Approach?" *Global Policy*. March 17, 2017.

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/1758-5899.12420/full>

**Pearson, Margaret** published "[China's Hybrid Adaptive Bureaucracy: The Case of the 863 Program for Science and Technology](#)," with Qiang ZHI), *Governance* No. 30.3 (2016).

### **Lectures, Presentations and Other**

**Croco, Sarah** presented her research at the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine on 3/23/17.

**Lee, Frances E.**, Book talk on *Insecure Majorities*, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, March 9, 2017.



**Oppenheimer, Joe**, Professor Emeritus, won first place in this year's Bethesda Literary Festival's Poetry Contest for "Oh Please". There were approximately 400 entries. The award ceremony and reception will take place on 4/22 at 5pm at Gallery B, 7700 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda.

**Pearson, Margaret** spoke on "Global Climate Governance: If China Leads, How Will the United States Respond?" at the Council on Foreign Relations, Rising Powers and Global Governance Roundtable, Washington, D.C. March 9, 2017.

**Uslaner, Ric**, lectures on "The Historical Roots of Corruption," to general audience and to Political Science students, University of Arab Emirates, March 2017. Lecture on "Corruption, Inequality, and Trust," Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, March 2017. And lectures on "The Historical Roots of Corruption," National Cheng Kung University, Tainan, Taiwan, March and to National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, March 2017.





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