

GVPT NEWS

December, 2017

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- **JOB TALK With Rochelle Terman – IR in International Law and Human Rights**
“Backlash: Defiance, Human Rights, and the Politics of Shame.”
Wednesday, 12/6 at 11am in 2113 CHIN Bldg.
- **All Faculty Meeting, December 8, 11-12:30pm in 2113 Chincoteague**

Department Holiday Reception will be on Tuesday, December 12th 12:30-2:30pm, in 1101 Morrill Hall. Mark your calendars.

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MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR

I begin with sad news that Professor Emeritus Ted Robert Gurr passed on Saturday 11/25/17 in Las Vegas. Professor Gurr was a member of the department since 1989, and was named a Distinguished University Professor in 1995. Professor Gurr was a leading light in the study of intrastate conflict. He remained a key member of CIDCM from its early years and was responsible for the development of the Minorities at Risk project.

Please join me in congratulating this year's Spencer Award Winner, Ms. Catherine Kane. The Spencer Award Ceremony is scheduled for December 7th at 1:30-3:00pm at the Chaney Library at the Samuel Riggs Alumni Center.

I also want to congratulate John McCauley and Stella Rouse for winning 2018-2019 Semester RASAs.

GVPT will be participating in the Cherry Blossom 10-Miler again this year. The race is on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 7:30AM. GVPT has had a team for the past five years, and we hope to get another group together for 2018. It's a fun event on a beautiful course around the National Mall and monuments. Entry to the race is handled via a lottery (<http://www.cherryblossom.org/generalinfo/entryinfo.php>). Registration begins on December 1. Frances Lee is coordinating our team this year, so if you are selected from the lottery, please let Frances know.

Finally, please join us for the University Commencement on Tuesday, December 19 at 6:00pm and the BSOS Graduation on Wednesday, December 20 at 12:00 p.m. Both events are in the Xfinity Center. I realize scheduling is difficult at this time of year, but your participation is important to our students and their friends and family, so I hope to see you there.

The next GVPT Newsletter will be February 2018. Continue to send in your updates to Cissy. And enjoy your winter break!

Irwin L. Morris
Professor and Chair



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES

SPENCER CEREMONY

This year's Jean Elizabeth Spencer Award ceremony is on Thursday, December 7th at 1:30 pm in the Chaney Library at the Samuel Riggs Alumni Center. Please join us in congratulating this year's winner, Cat Kane.

SPRING REGISTRATION

If you haven't done so already, please register for classes. We will have to make decisions about low-enrollment classes over the next few weeks.

AWARDS

Please stay tuned to the GVPT graduate email list for announcements about dissertation and other award competitions.

Mike Hanmer
GVPT, Director of Graduate Studies



MESSAGE FROM THE PLACEMENT DIRECTOR

Welcome to the start of the new academic year. I look forward to working with the graduate students as they navigate the job market.

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.

Good luck!

Kathleen Cunningham
Director of Placement



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Commencement

University Commencement will take place on Tuesday, December 19th at 6pm in the Xfinity Center. BSOS Commencement will take place on Wednesday, December 20th at 12pm in the Xfinity Center.

Scott Kastner
Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies

Karmin Cortes
Assistant Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies



GVPT GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

If you would like to get in touch with the GSA Co-Chairs, Kristen Ramos and Nick Miras, you can contact them at kramos1@umd.edu and nmiras@terpmail.umd.edu.



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 in press

Maeshima, Kazuhiro (Ph.D. 2007, MA 2000). Professor in the Department of Global Studies, Sophia University, Japan, co-edited. with Shoko Kiyohara, and Diana Owen. *Internet Election Campaigns in the United States, Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan*, Palgrave Macmillan; 2018 (published on October 20, 2017), ISBN: 978-3319636818.

Chapter and Article Publications

Fox, Jonathan (Ph.D. 1997), "Religious Discrimination in European and Western Christian-Majority Democracies" *Zeitschrift für Religion, Gesellschaft und Politik (Journal for Religion, Society and Politics)*, 2017, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s41682-017-0009-3>. This is the first published article which uses RAS3's minorities module with specific discrimination data for each religious minority in each country. This article focuses on Western democracies and provides not just an update on previous results but also the first published analysis of RAS3's new societal discrimination module. The article is attached and, as always, it is for your personal use and not for distribution.



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.

Fall 2017 Workshop Schedule:

Date	Presenter	Location
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Spring 2018 Workshop Schedule:

TBA

COMPARATIVE POLITICS FIELD – WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS

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.

Fall 2017 Workshop Schedule:

None scheduled for December

Spring 2018 Workshop Schedule:

TBA

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FIELD/CIDCM – WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS

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.gvpt.umd.edu, click on the Research tab and then open the IR workshop schedule as they become available.

Students could present dissertation work or a conference paper. Students interested in presenting their work or would like to act as a discussant should contact Todd Allee at tallee@umd.edu.

Fall 2017 Workshop Schedule:

TBA.

POLITICAL THEORY FIELD - WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS

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.

For more information contact Professor James Glass jglass1@umd.edu.

POLITICAL METHODOLOGY & FORMAL THEORY FIELD - WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS

For information and details of the Political Methodology and Formal Theory Field, please contact Professor David Cunningham dacunnin@umd.edu.



CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

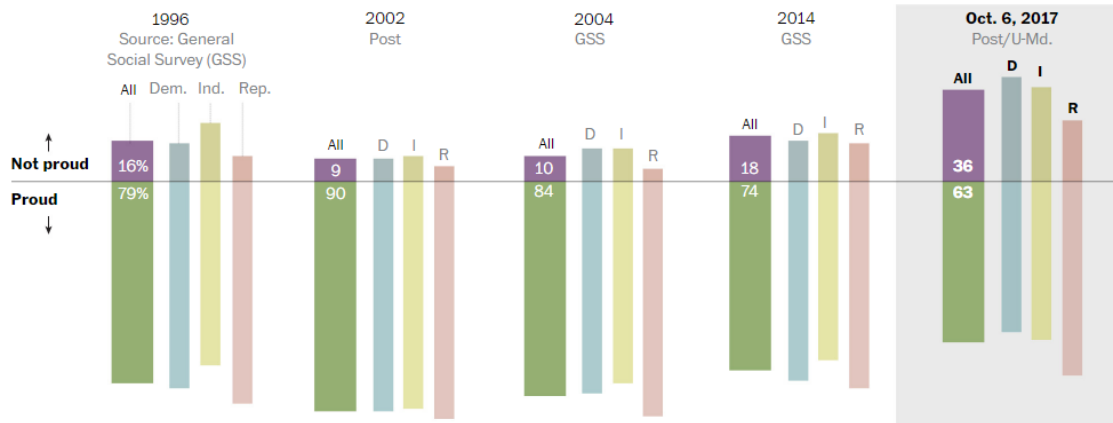
Center for American Politics and Citizenship (CAPC)

CAPC Update December 2017 GVPT Newsletter

Please join us for our undergraduate research symposium on **December 8, 2017 at 12:30 PM** in Mauer Library, 1126 Taliaferro Hall. Students will present research on topics like U.S. Congress and party defection, reproductive rights, and the impact of birth order on educational attainment in Latinos, among other topics. At the end of October, our [joint poll](#) with the *Washington Post* was released and received media coverage by numerous outlets, including CNN, Slate, and the *Washington Examiner*. The [poll](#) found that 7 in 10 Americans say the nation's political divisions are at least as big as during the Vietnam War. According to the [poll](#), there is also decreasing pride in the way democracy works in America.

How proud are you of the way democracy works in America?

'No opinion' not shown.



In November, CAPC met with city and town managers and administrators from Prince George's County to discuss ways that the Center can expand student opportunities at the local government level. These collaborations include guest lectures by local government officials and internships for students.

We also welcomed a new Program Coordinator, Rachel Vierling.

Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM)

Jacob Aronson, Paul Huth, and Mark Lichbach of the Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM) and the Government and Politics Department (GVPT) at the University of Maryland (UMD) have been awarded a grant of \$150,000 from the Smith Richardson Foundation to study insurgent sanctuary in civil wars.

The project will focus on identifying the causes and consequences of insurgent sub-national access to four different ideal-types of sanctuary: makeshift, hidden, unhardened, and fortified. The first phase of work will seek to explain sub-national variation in sanctuary access--where groups build sanctuaries and why. The second phase will seek to identify the impact of internal, external, and networked sanctuaries on a variety of conflict dynamics, including violence and territorial control. Theories developed will be tested using new sub-national data on sanctuaries and cutting-edge quantitative causal analysis.

A number of academic and policy contributions are expected, including new sub-national data on insurgent sanctuaries across a large number of cases, new theoretical insights into the dynamics of internal conflict, and improvements in forecasting of internal conflict dynamics.

❖ Sadat Chair for Peace

On Friday, December 1st at 10am, Dr. Shibley Telhami, the Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development, will be presenting some of the results of the latest survey from the UMD Critical Issues Poll at the Brookings Institution at an event titled, "The Middle East and Russia: American attitudes on Trump's foreign policy."

❖ The Bahá'í Chair for World Peace

No Updates this Month!



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Books

Rouse, Stella M. and Ashley D. Ross. forthcoming. *The Politics of Millennials: Political Beliefs and Policy Preferences of America's Most Diverse Generation*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Awards

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McCauley, John received the University Graduate School RASA Semester Award for 2018-2019.

Rouse, Stella received the University Graduate School RASA Semester Award for 2018-2019.

Chapter and Article Publications

Wohlfarth, Patrick C. and Peter K. Enns. 2017. "Making Sense of the Supreme Court-Public Opinion Relationship." In *Handbook of Judicial Behavior* (pp. 180-195), eds. Robert M. Howard and Kirk Randazzo. New York: Routledge Press.

Lectures, Presentations, Other




Lee, Frances E., "Meeting the Legislative Branch Leadership Challenge," Stennis Congressional Staff Fellows Program, December 4, 2017. And James M. Curry and **Frances E. Lee**, "Non-Party Government: Bipartisan Lawmaking and Party Power in Congress," Budget Roundtable, Brookings Institution, October 30, 2017.



GRADUATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

No Updates this Month!

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