

GVPT NEWS

February, 2018

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- FACULTY MEETING: February 23, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in 2113 Chincoteague
- EXTERNAL REVIEWER VISIT – March 7th, 8th, and 9th. Schedule to come.
- EXTERNAL REVIEWER Reception/Mixer – March 8th 5-6pm in 1101 Morrill Hall
- FACULTY MEETING: April 23, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in 2113 Chincoteague
- Maryland Day: April 28th from 10am to 4pm
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MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR

Welcome back!

We are in the process of scheduling our visit with our External Review Committee, Profs. Melanie Manion (Duke,), David Lake (UCSD), and Tracy Sulkin (Illinois). Prof. Manion will be chairing the committee. They will be here from March 7th through March 9th. A light reception will be held on Thursday, March 8th from 5-6 pm in 1101 Morrill Hall, and everyone is welcome to attend.

Maryland Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 28th. Mark your calendars and come visit us from 10-4 pm. 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 send Cissy your t-shirt size and the hours you can participate by February 9th. We would love to have you join us. [And here's hoping the weather cooperates.]

Finally, we are still awaiting details from the university regarding the submission of Annual Activity Reports for this year. As soon as Cissy has the necessary information, she will pass it along. You have however, been sent an email asking that you complete the Outside Professional Activities (OPA) Report. The form must be completed even if there are no outside professional activities to report. Faculty and exempt staff must complete the OPA report online for the period from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. You may access the report at <http://ares.umd.edu>. Once on the ARES website, staff should go to "Quick Links" and select "Outside Professional Activities (OPA) Report." Once logged on, you will be directed to the appropriate report. Understand that non-compliance with OPA reporting requirements may result in failure to identify a conflict of interest which is part of the University's Policy on Conflict of Interest and Conflict of Commitment at: <http://www.president.umd.edu/policies/ii310b.html>. **The deadline for completion is February 23, 2018.** If you have any questions, you may contact Cissy for instruction.

Have a great semester!

Irwin L. Morris
Professor and Chair



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Our 2018 admissions process just started. We have an excellent group of applicants. Please join me in thanking Ann Marie for all of her great work. Our offer letters will go out in a few weeks.

We have a number of outstanding candidates for the various GVPT, BSOS, and Graduate School awards. GSC will soon have results for the GVPT awards.

Have a great start of the semester.

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

We hope you enjoyed your break and are looking forward to the spring semester! As always, if you have any questions concerning undergraduate studies, feel free to contact one of our advisors:

Jillian Santos, jsantos5@umd.edu

Kiersten Riffert, kriffert@umd.edu

Scholarships

We will be awarding several departmental scholarships this semester. Please encourage your very best students to apply for these awards and consider writing letters of recommendation for them. More information on our scholarships is available at: <http://www.gvpt.umd.edu/undergraduate/scholarships/>

Irwin Morris
Interim Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies

Karmin Cortes
Assistant Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies



GVPT GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

We have made some changes with the co-chairs this Spring semester. Alauna Safarpour will be serving as a GSA co-chair for this semester, with myself as the other co-chair. Nick will be serving as co-chair/president and Alauna will be serving as co-chair/treasurer.

Spring 2018 GSA Methods Workshop schedule. All workshops will take place from **1:00 pm to 2:00 pm** at **Tydings 1111**. Please feel free to send any questions to Jiun-Da at rousseau510@gmail.com.

2/12

Introduction to Python- Michael Coates

2/26

Introduction to social network analysis- Jiun-Da Lin

3/12

Voting the Agenda: A voting model of social media sharing- Prof. Calvo

3/26

How to write your own packages in R- Tiago Ventura

4/9

Spatial/Geographic Statistics in R- Michael Coates

4/16

Sampling with "difficult" populations & Ethnographic Methods- Haley Augustson

4/30

Introduction to time-series analysis- Prof. Wohlfarth

If you would like to get in touch with the GSA Co-Chairs, Nick Miras and Alauna Safarpour, you can contact them at

nmiras@terpmail.umd.edu and acsafar@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

Fox, Jonathan (Ph.D. 1997). An Introduction to Religion and Politics: Theory and Practice, 2nd edition, (New York, NY: Routledge University Press, 2018).

James, Patrick (Ph.D. 1984). With Mariano Bertucci, and Jarrod Hayes, eds. Constructivism Reconsidered: Past, Present, and Future. (Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press, forthcoming, 2018).

Chapter and Article Publications

Wilmer, Franke (Ph.D. 1990). "Victimization, Empathy, and Breaking the Cycles of Violence in Israel and Palestine," in *International Relations and Diplomacy*. Number 2, 2017. And "Sex trafficking and peace: How patriarchy normalizes direct and structural violence," in *Routledge Companion to Peace and Conflict Studies*,: Sean Byrne, Thomas Matyok & Imani Michelle Scott, forthcoming, 2018.

Awards

James, Patrick (Ph.D. 1984) and **Asal, Victor** (Ph.D. 2003). Received a grant: (Victor Asal, Kyle Beardsley, Patrick James, Steven E. Lobell, Norrin M. Ripsman and Scott Silverstone), MINERVA, Department of Defense, "Power Projection, Deterrence Strategies, and Escalation Dynamics in an Era of Challenging Near Peers, Rogue States, and Terrorist and Insurgent Organizations."

Other

Wilmer, Franke (Ph.D. 1990) as of July 1, 2017 will be the Department Head for a second time, previously 2001-2005. Franke was invited to be a Keynote speaker at the Canadian Peace Research Association, May 30-June 3, 2018 (Regina, Saskatchewan). Franke also did 2 book reviews in *Perspectives on Politics* (March 2018): *Everyday Exposure: Indigenous Mobilization and Environmental Justice in Canada's Chemical Valley*. Sarah Marie Wiebe. (Vancouver, British Columbia: University of British Columbia Press, 2016). And *Reservation Politics: Historical Trauma, Economic Development, and Intratribal Conflict*. Raymond I. Orr. Norman, (OK: University of Oklahoma Press, 2017).



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.

Spring 2018 Workshop Schedule:

2-Feb	Charlie Hunt "Beyond Partisanship: The Personal Electoral Connection and its Effects on Congressional Elections" Discussants: Irwin Morris and Katti McNally	2113 CHIN
16-Feb	Ric Uslaner "National Identity and Political Polarization" Discussants: Mike Hanmer and Zachary Scott	2113 CHIN
16-Mar	Frances Lee "Trump, the Republican Congress, and Questions of Party Unity in a Polarized Congress" Discussants: Kris Miler and SoRelle Wycoff	2113 CHIN
30-Mar	Heather Hicks "Intersectional Stereotyping and Support for Black Women Candidates" Discussants: Lilliana Mason and Julian Wamble	2113 CHIN
13-Apr	Irwin Morris "Title TBA" Discussants: TBA	2113 CHIN
27-Apr	Melissa Deckman (Washington College) "Title TBA" Discussants: TBA	2113 CHIN

11-May

2113 CHIN

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. **Workshops are held from 11-12:30pm.**

Spring 2018 Workshop Schedule:

7-Feb	Dr. Marcus Johnson	2113 CHIN
21-Feb	Dr. Dawn Teele	2113 CHIN
4-Apr	Dr. Calvert Jones	2113 CHIN
18-Apr	Dr. Ernesto Calvo	2113 CHIN

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FIELD/CIDCM – WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS

At the CIDCM/IR Workshop, researchers' present work-in-progress on all topics related to international relations. The research presented often, but not exclusively, focuses on issues related to state development and the causes and prevention of conflict between and within states. The workshop prides itself on showcasing work that is novel, methodologically rigorous, and crosses traditional subfield and disciplinary boundaries.

Workshops are open to all who are interested, especially members of the GVPT department and faculty from related departments and schools. They are generally held 5-6 times a semester, on Mondays from 11:00-12:15 p.m. in 1109 Chincoteague Hall.

See the schedule below for specific details of a presentation. If you have questions please e-mail cidcminfo@umd.edu. If you would like to present a paper, please e-mail [Professor Kathleen Cunningham](#).

Spring 2018 Workshop Schedule:

12-February	Jori Brewlawski and Brandon Ives (UMD) "Greed, Grievance, or Graduates? Why do Men Rebel"
26-February	Kathleen Cunningham (UMD) "Conditions for Effective Nonviolence"
9-April	Kaitlyn Webster (Duke) Title TBA
30-April	Suzanna Campbell (American University) "Bringing Positive Peace into Empirical Analyses of Conflict: A Latent Variable Approach"

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

Please watch for emails and newsletters for panels as we schedule them. All graduate students and faculty are welcome.

For information and details of the Political Methodology and Formal Theory Field, please contact Professor Sarah Croco scroco@umd.edu.



CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Center for American Politics and Citizenship (CAPC)

The spring semester is underway, and we have a record number of students participating in our internship program this spring. We have over 40 students placed in internships in Maryland and Washington, D.C. Some highlights include, over 20 students interning at the General Assembly, 6 students interning in congressional offices, 3 students interning in embassies, and 1 student interning at the White House.

In early December we hosted our undergraduate research symposium to a packed house.



In mid-December one of our graduate assistants, SoRelle Wyckoff, wrote an analysis seeking to answer the question ["Should Congressional Incumbents be Concerned About the 2018 Midterm Elections?"](#) Using data from our [joint poll with the Washington Post](#), analysis found that when compared with Congressional Democrats, Congressional Republicans are at a disadvantage.

Our director, Stella Rouse, was selected to join the board of [Women Also Know Stuff](#), a nonprofit whose goal is to promote and publicize the work and expertise of scholars in political science who identify as women. She was also recently quoted in an NBC News Latino article titled, [“Though dejected, immigration activists renew fight for Dreamer deal.”](#) Our research director, Michael Hanmer, was interviewed for a [U.S. News & World Report article](#) about our nation’s image abroad and findings from our joint poll with the Washington Post.

Lastly, our former board member Susan Turnbull joined Democratic gubernatorial candidate Ben Jealous as his running mate for the 2018 election.

Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM)

❖ Sadat Chair for Peace

On Wednesday, February 7th at noon, the Anwar Sadat Chair for Peace and Development will be holding a lunch conversation with Dr. Nilufer Narli on “Life, Connectivity, and Security of Syrian Refugees in Turkey: Using Smartphones to Survive.” Dr. Narli serves as Chairperson of the Department of Sociology and Professor of Political Sociology at Bahçeşehir University in Istanbul. She also served as a visiting scholar at the University of Maryland in summer of 2007. For more information and to RSVP, please visit: go.umd.edu/nilufernarlirevent.

❖ Bahá'í Chair for World Peace



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Chapter and Article Publications

Jones, Calvert (Callie) “New Approaches to Citizen-Building: Shifting, Needs, Goals, and Outcomes.” *Comparative Political Studies* 51(2): 165-196. (First published online Feb. 1 2017), 2018.

Karol, David "Parties and Leadership in American Politics" in Jeffery Jenkins and Craig Volden, eds. Leadership in American Politics. Lawrence: University of Kansas Press. 2017

Lectures, Presentations and Other

Jones, Calvert was invited to do an op-ed "Can Saudi Arabia's crown prince remake his people?" Washington Post, Outlook Section, B1. December 3, 2017.

Lee, Frances E., "Majority Party (In) Capacity in an Era of Strong Parties," American Politics and Public Policy Workshop, Yale University, January 17, 2018. And "Non-Party Government: Bipartisan Policymaking and Party Power in Congress," Workshop in Political Institutions, Duke University, January 24, 2018.

Rouse, Stella is now on the Editorial Board for Woman Also Know Stuff (WAKS). WAKS goal is to "promote and publicize the work and expertise of scholars in political science who identify as women." Other new board members include Professor Layna Mosley of UNC-Chapel Hill and Dr. Patricia Stapleton of WCI.

Awards

Karol, David's article "A Theory of Political Parties: Groups, Policy Demands and Nominations in American Politics" published in Perspectives on Politics is one of their top 10 most-cited manuscripts! As part of their celebration of 15 years of Perspectives, access to his article has been made freely accessible until February 15th, 2018!

McCauley, John received the 2018-2019 RASA Semester Award.

Rouse, Stella was awarded the title of ENACT Faculty Fellow (ENACT: The Educational Network for Active Civic Transformation) given by The International Center for Ethics, Justice and Public Life at Brandeis University. Stella joins a thriving national network of 16 Faculty Fellows across the United States who are teaching new courses or enhancing existing courses that engage students in hands-on study and work related to state-level legislation. Also, Stella received the 2018-2019 RASA Semester Award.



GRADUATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Chapters and Articles

No Updates This Month!



FEBRUARY 2018

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