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MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR

I encourage everyone to attend “Money in Politics: A Bipartisan Discussion,” an event jointly sponsored by BSOS, GVPT, CAPC, Issue One, and the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress. The event will be held in Orem Hall in the Riggs Alumni Center at 3:30 pm on Thursday, November 12th. Panelists scheduled to attend include Congressman John Sarbanes (MD-5) and Former Members of Congress, Tom McMillan (MD-4) and Connie Morella (MD-8). The discussion will be moderated by our own Professor Stella Rouse, Director of the Center for American Politics and Citizenship. For more information, please go to umd.edu/moneyinpolitics.

Watch for our emails announcing this years Spencer Award Winner. The Spencer Ceremony is scheduled for December 9th. Details to come.

Please consider contributing to the University of Maryland [Faculty Staff Campaign](http://www.bsos.umd.edu/alumni-giving/give-department-government) this year. This is an excellent opportunity to support our undergraduate and graduate students. Various GVPT giving opportunities may be found at <http://www.bsos.umd.edu/alumni-giving/give-department-government>. For more information, please Denise Wise, the GVPT campaign coordinator.

Finally, while I realize this is an especially early notification, make plans to join us when Dr. Susan Stokes, John S. Saden Professor of Political Science at Yale University presents the next GVPT Distinguished Lecture Series on February 24th in the Maryland Room.

Irwin L. Morris
Professor and Chair



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Please stay tuned for paper award and Graduate School fellowship nomination information. The deadlines will be earlier this year.

Graduate course registration for Spring 2016 will begin soon. Please be sure to register early. We will need to make scheduling decisions about low-enrollment courses well before the start of classes. Please don't let a late decision lead to the cancellation of classes. Early registration is also important for TA assignments. I will expect you to set your schedule prior to the TA assignments so that we can avoid conflicts with the courses you are taking – stay tuned for more details.

Mike Hanmer
GVPT, Director of Graduate Studies



MESSAGE FROM THE PLACEMENT DIRECTOR

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 Saturday, December 19, 2015 at 7pm in the Xfinity Center.

BSOS Commencement will take place on Sunday, December 20, 2015 at 1pm in the Xfinity Center.

More information about commencement can be found at <http://www.commencement.umd.edu/>

For additional questions regarding the BSOS ceremony, please contact commencement coordinator, Juliana Bynoe via phone at 301.405.8746 or email at jbynoe@umd.edu.

Scott Kastner
Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies

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Assistant Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies



GVPT GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

GSA held its first meeting on Monday, October 5th. In this meeting, we further discussed about the role of students in the admissions committee, we selected our representatives for DGSAC, Sebastian Vallejo, and Neil Lund volunteered to be our representative for the Graduate Student Government.

During October, GVPT GSA has had two other Methods workshops, Time Series, taught by Joel Simmons on October 2nd and Intermediate R, offered by Eric Dunford on October 23th. We also announced the start of the Data Playground, a space offered by Jose Cabezas in which students who have questions related to methods for

their research can ask for advice. Anyone interested in meeting Jose to discuss their questions can email him to jcabezas@umd.edu.

Moving forward, we will work on the topics previously mentioned, as well as other initiatives such as professional development workshops, student-led presentations, gender studies group, and social events. Our next meeting will be in early November, date and time to be determined.

For comments or suggestions about these or any other initiatives, please contact GSA Co-Chairs Analia Gomez Vidal (agv@umd.edu) and Patrick Tiney (ptiney@umd.edu)

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The Department of Government and Politics is on Twitter and Face Book. “Follow” and “Like” GVPT. Information that you want to share on either (or both) of these outlets can be forwarded to gvptdepartment@gmail.com.

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

Chapter and Article Publications

Biggers, Daniel R., PhD 2012. “Who Makes Voting Convenient? Explaining the Adoption of Early and No-Excuse Absentee Voting in the American States.” (Daniel R. Biggers and Michael J. Hanmer). *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, 15:192-210, 2015.

Yeo, Yukyung, PhD 2007. “Complementing the local discipline inspection commissions of the CCP: empowerment of the central inspection groups” in *Journal of Contemporary China*, October 2015.

Other

Dougherty, Keith, PhD 1997. Won the 2015 Excellence in Teaching Award from the School of Public and International Affairs, University of Georgia.



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 2015 Workshop Schedule:

Date	Presenter	Location
6-Nov	Stella Rouse	2113 CHIN
20-Nov	Brandon Bartels (GWU)	2113 CHIN
4-Dec	Irwin Morris	2113 CHIN

Spring 2016 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 2015 Workshop Schedule:

November 4 – TBA– 11-12:15pm – 1101 Morrill Hall

November 18 – TBA – 11-12:15pm – 1101 Morrill Hall

December 2 – TBA– 11-12:15pm – 1101 Morrill Hall

December 9 – TBA – 11-12:15pm – 2113 Chincoteague

Spring 2016 Workshop Schedule:

February 10 – TBA – 11-12:15pm

February 24 – TBA – 11-12:15pm

March 7 - 11-12:15pm with IR/CIDCM
Miles Kahler (AU), 1109 Chincoteague

March 9 – TBA – 11-12:15pm

March 23 – TBA – 11-12:15pm

April 6 – TBA – 11-12:15pm

April 20 – TBA – 11-12:15pm

May 4 – TBA – 11-12:15pm

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 2015 Workshop Schedule:

Monday, November 2 - 11-12:15 in 1109 Chincoteague

Elizabeth Saunders, George Washington University

Title: TBA

Monday, November 16 - 11-12:15 in 1109 Chincoteague

Erik Voeten, Georgetown University
Title: TBA

Wednesday, December 9 - 11-12:15 in 1109 Chincoteague

Yon Lupu, George Washington University
Title: "The Relationship between the Forms of Repression and Violent Dissent"

Spring 2016 Workshop Schedule:

March 7 - 11-12:15pm with Comparative Field in 1109 Chincoteague

Miles Kahler (AU) will be speaking at the IR/CIDCM workshop.

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 Fred Alford calford@umd.edu.

METHODS FIELD - WORKSHOPS and SEMINARS

For information and details of the Methods Field Workshops, please contact Professor David Cunningham at dacunnin@umd.edu.



CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Center for American Politics and Citizenship (CAPC)

- The Washington Post-UMD Poll released its third iteration this month featuring stories on topics as diverse as Martin O'Malley's Presidential Race support in Maryland the Maryland Senate Race between Donna Edwards, Chris Van Hollen, and the yet-to-announce Elijah Cummings; and the rising approval ratings for Governor Larry Hogan. The poll has drawn attention from numerous mainstream news outlets such as Politico: "[O'Malley in distant fourth place in home state poll](#)," NBC News: "[Tonight's Debate Is Martin O'Malley's Big Chance](#)," and a good deal of coverage from the Post itself: "[Poll: O'Malley gets 4 percent support from home state](#)"; "[Republican Gov. Larry Hogan is deeply popular in heavily Democratic Md.](#)"; "[Cummings leads Edwards, Van Hollen in Maryland Senate race, poll finds](#)." Full poll results can be found [here](#)
- On November 12th at 3:30PM, the CAPC in collaboration with BSOS and the organization Issue One will host an event entitled "Money in Politics: A Bipartisan Discussion" featuring former and current members of Congress. The event will be held in the Samuel Riggs Alumni Center and is sure to be an excellent event.

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Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM)

On October 6, Dr. Stacy J. Kosko delivered a lecture at University College Dublin, in Ireland, titled "The Pedagogy of Virtual, Cross-Cultural, Project-Based Learning."

❖ Sadat Chair for Peace

In late October-early November, Dr. Telhami, the Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development, will be traveling to Abu Dhabi to attend the Second Annual Abu Dhabi Strategic Debate. In addition, he will be traveling to Cambridge, MA on November 7th to participate in Harvard's Arab Weekend where he will be serving on a panel entitled, "Taking Palestine Mainstream in America." Dr. Telhami will also be traveling to Berkeley, CA to participate in the Institute for International Studies (IIS) External Review in early November. In mid-November, Dr. Telhami will travel to Mauritania where he will serve on a panel hosted by the US Ambassador to Mauritania and also participate in meetings with NGOs and academics regarding Education for Employment in Mauritania as well as US-Mauritanian relations.

❖ International Communication and Negotiation Simulations (ICONS)

No updates this month.

If you have any questions, please contact Audrey Tetteh, ICONS Education Program Director, at atetteh@umd.edu or [301-405-4381](tel:301-405-4381).



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Chapter and Article Publications

Hanmer, Michael J. "Message, Milieu, Technology, and Turnout Among Military and Overseas Voters." (Paul S. Herrnson, Ho Youn Koh, Michael J. Hanmer, and Claire Smith). *Electoral Studies*, 39:142-152, 2015. And "Who Makes Voting Convenient? Explaining the Adoption of Early and No-Excuse Absentee Voting in the American States." (Daniel R. Biggers and Michael J. Hanmer). *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, 15:192-210, 2015.

Karol, David chapter "Party Activists, Interest Groups and Polarization in American Politics" in American Gridlock: The Sources, Character and Impact of Polarization. Edited by James Thurber and Antoine Yoshinaka, Cambridge University Press. Scheduled for publication on 10/31/15.

Lectures, Presentations and Other

Allee, Todd presented his research on “The Presence of the World Trade Organization in Preferential Trade Agreements” at the World Trade Forum in Bern, Switzerland on September 27. The theme of this year’s forum was “20 Years of the World Trade Organization.”

Kosko, Stacy J. On October 6, delivered a lecture at University College Dublin, in Ireland, titled “The Pedagogy of Virtual, Cross-Cultural, Project-Based Learning.”

Lee, Frances E. “Insecure Majorities: Congress and the Perpetual Campaign,” Research Presentation, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois, September 21, 2015. And “The Politics of Reform in an Era of Partisan Parity,” Order in the House? Conflict, Order, and Reform in the House: The 94th-114th Congresses, Symposium sponsored by the U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress and the University of Maryland’s College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, Capitol Visitors Center, September 17, 2015.

Mason, Lilliana "Socio-Partisan Sorting and Polarized Identity Politics." Indiana University Bloomington, November 6. And "Entangled Ideologies: Comparing behavioral effects of ideology as issues, identity, and issue-based identity." University of Michigan, November 18.

Pearson, Margaret presented “Toward and Understanding of Hybrid Adaptive Bureaucracy” at Fudan University’s conference on Quality of Governance in Post-Mao China (Shanghai, October 16, 2015). She also lectured on regulatory politics at the Central University of Finance and Economics in Beijing.

Uslaner, Ric Invited lectures, “Segregation, Trust, and Multiculturalism” and “Segregation, Diversity, and Trust,” Center for Migration, University of Copenhagen, November 4 and 6.

GRADUATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Chapter and Article Publications

Koh, Ho Youn, “Message, Milieu, Technology, and Turnout Among Military and Overseas Voters.” (Paul S. Herrnson, Ho Youn Koh, Michael J. Hanmer, and Claire Smith). *Electoral Studies*, 39:142-152, 2015.



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