

# GVPT NEWS

March, 2019

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  - March 13 (Wednesday)
  - April 1 (Monday) **TENURED FACULTY ONLY!**
  - April 15 (Monday) **Full Professor/possible Tenured Faculty ONLY!**
  - May 1 (Wednesday)
- Maryland Day: April 27<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 4pm
- Department End of Year Celebration will be on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 12:30-2:00pm, in 1101 Morrill Hall.
- GVPT Graduation, May 24<sup>th</sup> from 9-12pm in the Armory

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### **MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR**

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, Shibley Telhami, the Anwar Sadat Chair for Peace and Development, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, and the Office of International Affairs will be hosting a panel on “The Global Response to the Refugee Crisis” as part of the “Year of Immigration.” Guest panelists include Nancy Lindborg, President of the United States Institute of Peace; Eric Schwartz, President of Refugees International; and Her Excellency Ambassador Dina Kavar, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United States. To RSVP, please visit: [go.umd.edu/refugee2019](http://go.umd.edu/refugee2019).

The deadline for submission of your 2018 Annual Activity Reports is March 29. A reporting template was distributed for use. Cissy will populate the course information (if necessary), but you must stick to this March 29 deadline to have that happen. Our Merit Pay Committee will begin reviewing the files immediately following this deadline.

Just to keep this on the top of your list, Maryland Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars and come visit us from 10-4 pm. GVPT, CAPC, SADAT and CIDCM/MIDCM will be stationed in front of Tydings. Here’s hoping the weather cooperates.

Enjoy your Spring Break!

Irwin L. Morris  
Professor and Chair



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

The admissions committee is continuing its work recruiting an outstanding group of admitted students who have a variety of excellent choices. Ann Marie has been doing an amazing job scheduling visits with admitted students. Please join me in thanking her. Thank you also to the faculty and students who are making time to meet with students, talk with them on the phone, and discuss the program and area via email.

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.

Kathleen Cunningham  
Director of Placement



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

#### **Fall 2019 Registration**

Fall 2019 registration begins on March 28th and continues through May 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Spring 2019 Commencement**

The GVPT Commencement ceremony will take place on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM in the Reckord Armory. The department is currently looking for faculty volunteers to serve as members of the platform party. If you are available, please contact Karmin Cortes, [kcortes@umd.edu](mailto:kcortes@umd.edu).

### **GVPT DEPARTMENT HONORS PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS From Director John McCauley**

Two of our GVPT Honors students recently completed outstanding Senior Honors Theses, for which they were awarded the distinction of High Honors by their respective faculty committees. Rianna Jha completed her thesis entitled "Ladylike Legislation: A Study of Women-Centric Cosponsorship in the 115th Congress" under the direction of Professor Isabella Alcaniz. Zack Bloom completed his thesis, "When Corporate America Comes to Play: Lobbying and the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act", under the direction of Professor Frances Lee. Congrats to both!

#### **Advising Office Contact Information for questions concerning undergraduate studies:**

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David Cunningham  
Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies

Karmin Cortes  
Associate Director for GVPT Undergraduate Studies



### **GVPT GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

The second GSA meeting of the semester will be Wednesday, March 6 at 11am in Tydings 1111. Please let the GSA co-chairs, SoRelle Wyckoff ([sorellew@terpmail.umd.edu](mailto:sorellew@terpmail.umd.edu)) and Kee Hyun Park ([khpark@terpmail.umd.edu](mailto:khpark@terpmail.umd.edu)) know, if you have any announcements to pass along. Graduate students, hope to see you there!

## Spring 2018 GSA Methods Workshop schedule

### **March 4**

Random Forests and Ensemble Models For supervised machine learning, with Ted Elsworth

### **April 1**

Building Original Datasets, with Dr. Kathleen Cunningham

### **April 22**

Functional Programming in R using Purrr, with Dr. Eric Dunford (Georgetown University, associate director of the Master of Science in Data Science for Public Policy program)

### **May 6**

Spatial Visualization in R and Gis, with Dr. Johanna Birnir and Dr. Sara Croco.

All workshops will take place from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm at Tydings 1136. If you have any questions, contact

Tiago Augusto Da Silva Ventura  
Ph.D. Student and Workshop Organizer  
Government and Politics  
[venturat@umd.edu](mailto:venturat@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.



## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR PHD Alums**

### **Books**

**Dyck, Joshua J.** (Ph.D. 2006) and Lascher, Edward L., Jr. 2019. *Initiatives without Engagement: A Realistic Appraisal of Direct Democracy's Secondary Effects*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press. <https://www.press.umich.edu/9993024>

### **Articles and Chapters in print**

**Curry, James M.** (Ph.D. 2011) and Frances E. Lee. 2019. "Non-Party Government: Bipartisan Lawmaking and Party Power in Congress," *Perspectives on Politics* 17(1).

**Fox, Jonathan** (Ph.D. 1997) “Civilizational Clash or Balderdash? The Causes of Religious Discrimination in Western European Christian-Majority Democracies” Review of Faith in International Affairs, 17 (1), 2019, 34-48.

**Wilmer, F.** (Ph.D. 1990) in press. “Sex trafficking and peace: How patriarchy normalizes direct and structural violence.”. *Routledge Companion to Peace and Conflict Studies*. (pp. 22). New York, NY: Routledge. Montana State University. In (2018). “Empathy as Political Action: Can Empathic Engagement Disrupt Narratives of Conflict. *Journal of Social Science Research*, 13(2018), 10.

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

**Dolan, Kathleen** ( Ph.D. 1991) of the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee and Jennifer L. Lawless of the University of Virginia have been appointed to serve as the next co-Editors of its flagship journal, the *American Journal of Political Science*(AJPS). The new editorial team, led by Dolan and Lawless, will serve a four-year team beginning in June 2019.

**Wilmer, Franke.** (Ph.D. 1990) has a few updates. First, a Book Review: Wilmer, F. (2018). *Double Review of "Everyday Exposure: Indigenous Mobilization and Environmental Justice in Canada's Chemical Valley. Sarah Marie Wiebe. Vancouver, British Colombia: University of British Colombia Press, and Reservation Politics: Historical Trauma, Economic Development, and Intratribal Conflict. Raymond I. Orr. Norman, OK: University of Oklahoma Press*, (pp. 7). Cambridge: Perspectives on Politics, Cambridge University Press. Second: Franke Completed a four-year term on the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education (appointed by Governor Bullock). Third: She has taken the role of Department Head again at Montana State University. Franke will soon be wrapping up her research and working on her next book while on sabbatical in the Fall 2019.



### **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 2019 Workshop Schedule:

March 1	2113 CHIN	
March 8	2113 CHIN	Janelle Wong, UMD Asian-American Studies
March 15	2113 CHIN	
March 29	2113 CHIN	Ethan Kaplan, UMD Economics
April 5	2113 CHIN	
April 12	2113 CHIN	Zack Scott, UMCP Government and Politics
April 19	2113 CHIN	
April 26	2113 CHIN	
May 3	2113 CHIN	
May 10	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.

Workshops are held from 11-12:15pm at the locations listed by date. Although the Comparative Politics Workshop focuses on comparative politics, all faculty and graduate students are welcome to attend.

### Spring 2019 Workshop Schedule:

3-Apr	TBA	2113 CHIN
17-Apr	TBA	1101 MOR

### 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](http://www.gvpt.umd.edu), click on the Research tab and then open the IR workshop schedule as they become available.

Workshops are held from 11-12:30pm in 1109 CHIN unless otherwise noted. While the workshop focuses on issues in International Relations, all faculty and graduate students are welcome to attend.

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](mailto:tallee@umd.edu).

### Spring 2019 Workshop Schedule:

11-Mar	Ryan Griffiths (Syracuse)	11-12:30pm	1109 CHIN
8-Apr	Aila Matanock (Berkeley)	11-12:30pm	1109 CHIN

### **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](mailto: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 Sarah Croco [scroco@umd.edu](mailto:scroco@umd.edu).



### **CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

In February, our director Stella Rouse, gave a presentation about her recent book, *The Politics of Millennials*, to the University of Maryland College Park Foundation Board of Trustees.

We will hold our internship reception for students interning in the Maryland General Assembly on Thursday, March 28 in Annapolis. This is a great opportunity to thank students for their hard work during the session and to thank state representatives and senators for mentoring students.

Applications for our summer internship program and undergraduate research program will be posted soon.

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

[Minor in International Development and Conflict Management \(MIDCM\) - Application period open!](#)





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**CIDCM**  
Center for International Development and Conflict Management

**THE MINOR IN  
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT &  
CONFLICT MANAGEMENT**

**Apply now to start the MIDCM program in the Fall 2019**

What is MIDCM? This program is designed to prepare students with theoretical frameworks, real-world knowledge and practical skills necessary to tackle global challenges related to promoting development and addressing conflict—and at the intersection of these issues. Students from all schools and majors are welcome!

Find more details and application requirements at  
<https://cidcm.umd.edu/landing/MIDCM>

Applications are due by **11:59 pm on Monday, February 25, 2019**  
For questions, please email [MIDCMinfo@umd.edu](mailto:MIDCMinfo@umd.edu)

The Minor in International Development and Conflict Management (MIDCM) is currently accepting applications. MIDCM is a 16-credit undergraduate program open to students of all majors who are interested in the theory, practice and professions related to development and conflict – and their intersections – around the world. Apply now to begin the program in fall 2019!

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### ❖ Sadat Chair for Peace

In late February – early March, Dr. Shibley Telhami, the Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development, will be traveling to London to participate in a U.S./Middle East Project workshop. Also in March, he will be traveling to Israel to participate in a Truman Conference hosted by The Harry S. Truman Research Institute at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem on “Marking the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Peace Treaty Between Israel and Egypt” where he will give a lecture titled, “Beyond Sadat and Begin: The Strategic Context of the Israeli-Egyptian Peace Treaty.” He will also be delivering a lecture at Al-Quds University in Abu Dis on “Shifting American public attitudes on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and their impact on American policy.” Dr. Telhami will also be traveling to Albion College in March to deliver a lecture as part of the Daoud Family Lectureship in Middle Eastern Studies on “Shifting American Public Attitudes toward the Middle East.” And in late March, Dr. Telhami will be participating in the Kahlil Gibran Chair for Values and Peace’s symposium on “Reshaping the Landscapes of Arab Thought: The Legacies of Kahlil Gibran, Ameen Rihani & Mikhail Naimy.”



On March 5, 2019, the Anwar Sadat Chair for Peace and Development and the Department of Art will be hosting the annual Sadat Art for Peace Competition on the theme of “Immigrants and Identity in America.” Also in March, the Anwar Sadat Chair for Peace and Development, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, and the Office of International Affairs will be hosting a panel on “The Global Response to the Refugee Crisis.” This event will take place on **Thursday, March 7, 2019** as part of the “Year of Immigration.” This panel will feature Nancy Lindborg, President of the United States Institute of Peace, Eric Schwartz, President of Refugees International, Her Excellency Ambassador Dina Kavar, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United States, and will be moderated by Shibley Telhami, Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development. To RSVP, please visit: [go.umd.edu/refugee2019](http://go.umd.edu/refugee2019)

## ❖ The Bahá'í Chair for World Peace

### ▪ Infrastructure and Happiness

Our world is undergoing seismic changes. Continually expanding cross border migration, rising income and wealth disparities across nations and within national urban and rural populations, environment-related risks, as well as the rapid pace of technological change challenging definitions of community and identity are demanding that we rethink national development objectives historically driven by economic growth and establish objectives which are driven by what matters most – our happiness.

Over the last 40 years, economists, psychologists, sociologists, and other social scientists have refined ways to define and measure happiness. Now, governments around the world are aspiring to measure happiness within their own populations and develop in a way which leads to its improvement.

The path forward will require the integration of ideas from different disciplines – such as urban planning, sociology, psychology, economics, technology, finance, and politics – as well as collaboration between agents from different sectors –government, industry, academia, and civil society.

To create a rich dialogue layering, debating, and, at times uniting, these diverse perspectives, we will bring together decision-makers and thought leaders from these disciplines and sectors to synthesize strategies for achieving happier cities.

April 4-5 12, 2019, 9AM-5PM in the Colony Ballroom, Stamp Student Union

**Free Event - RSVP to:** [bcwp@umd.edu](mailto:bcwp@umd.edu)

### ▪ How Deep the Rabbit Hole Goes?: The Alt-Right's Infatuation With Stoic Philosophy with Dr. Donna Zuckerberg, Founder and Editor-in-Chief of Eidolon

Stoicism and the Alt-Right may seem to be an unlikely pairing: the far-right internet is motivated by irrational hatred and rage, traits that are fundamentally incompatible with Stoic thought. In this lecture, Donna Zuckerberg will explore the Red Pill community's odd fascination with this ancient philosophy and the role classical antiquity plays in far-right online discourse.

April 23, 2019, at 7:30PM in the Colony Ballroom, Stamp Student Union

**Free Event - RSVP to:** [bcwp@umd.edu](mailto:bcwp@umd.edu)



## FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

### Books

### Articles

**Lee, Frances E.** with Curry, James M. 2019. "Non-Party Government: Bipartisan Lawmaking and Party Power in Congress," *Perspectives on Politics* 17(1).

**Wohlfarth, Patrick C.** (and Ryan J. Owens). 2019. "The Influence of Home State Reputation and Public Opinion on Federal Circuit Court Judges." *Journal of Law and Courts* 7(1).

### Lectures, Presentations and Other

**Lee, Frances E.** 2019. "Political Challenges for Reform." National Budgeting Roundtable, Brookings Institution, February 13, 2019.

### Awards












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## MARCH 2019

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