

GVPT NEWS

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

GVPT NEWS aims to build community among our faculty, graduate students, undergraduates, and staff. We have many wonderful people here who do many wonderful things, and this monthly newsletter aims to put us into better touch with one another. It will be sent via email and posted on our revamped web site.

GVPT NEWS will contain short messages from the chair, directors of undergraduate and graduate studies, the placement director and our center directors. It will also have a list of recent faculty achievements – the same list that is read at the beginning of faculty meetings.

Perhaps most importantly, it will have a monthly schedule of department happenings. This schedule, which will be accumulated from our Centers and faculty, should allow us to learn about the interesting and important speakers, workshops, colloquia, brown-bags, and meetings that are occurring. The schedule will also allow us to better plan activities around the 11-1 slot on Wednesdays that we have reserved for meetings and events. Please take a look at the back of this newsletter. If you take two minutes to set your email according to Cissy's instructions and you can have the schedule on your desktop.

GVPT News will also have interesting columns. This issue's column is on mentorship. Jim Gimpel, who collaborates with his graduate students in very many productive ways, contributed some experiences that are very much worth reading.

Ideas for other columns are welcomed. I await your feedback! This is only our first issue and I hope that over time GVPT NEWS becomes better and more useful.



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Undergraduate Program Notes

The Department's Undergraduate Program continues to be one of the largest, most diverse, and most successful undergraduate academic programs on campus. We currently have approximately 1000 students actively enrolled in the major, with around 15% from the University Honors Program.

December 2002 saw the graduation of approximately 80 more GVPT majors, with Government & Politics graduate, Adele Telem, serving as the BSOS Commencement Speaker. In addition, the following students completed their degrees with special recognition:

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| Valerie Albrecht | Summa Cum Laude, Dean's Scholar |
| Morgen Bergman | Magna Cum Laude, Dean's Scholar |
| Barbara Gilmore | Cum Laude |
| James Hennessey | Magna Cum Laude, Dean's Scholar |
| Nicholas Humphries | Cum Laude, Dean's Scholar |
| Lisa Mitten | Cum Laude |
| Poupak Moallem | Cum Laude |

The Department's Undergraduate Program offers a plethora of opportunities for scholarships, study abroad, and related programs. Students should check our departmental website at www.bsos.umd.edu/gvpt for links to information and application materials for our scholarships, internship programs, and study abroad programs. Opportunities with February 2003 deadlines include Study Abroad programs to Oxford and Kent, the Gardner & Oppenheimer scholarships. Thinking ahead, we will soon be taking applications for Student Commencement Speaker at the GVPT Graduation Ceremony this May.

Call for Student Applications for May 2003 GVPT Commencement Speaker:

The Department of Government and Politics invites graduating seniors who have excelled in some way while studying at UMCP to apply for Commencement Speaker. The applicant must have a 3.50 or better GPA and have completed at least 60 UMCP credits.

All applications may be picked-up at the Main Office (TYD 3140) or in the Advising Offices (TYD 1155 and 1135A). Deadline for applications is March 17, 2003.

GVPT Alumni News:

The Government and Politics Department hosted its annual Alumni Career Networking Event on Nov. 7, 2002 at Mulligan's Grill, which is in the clubhouse of the University of Maryland golf course. The event was a wonderful success and presented opportunities for alumni to interact with current students, faculty, and their fellow alums. The casual atmosphere allowed for a nice evening of catching up and new introductions.

The event also allowed current students to make contacts with people working in their career field of interest. The Department has developed an Alumni Mentoring Program to help current undergraduate students make contacts in the professional arena and learn from the experiences of our alumni. Alumni interested in participating in future events or becoming a mentor can visit the GVPT alumni webpage at: www.bsos.umd.edu/gvpt/alumni or call 301-405-4142 for more information.

In other alumni news, Paul Mandell '95 has been selected as the 2003 BSOS Alum of the Year! The award is given to an alumnus who has achieved recognition for excellence in their

profession or field. The department would like to congratulate Paul and thank him for all the work he has done to advance the GVPT alumni program.



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES

The revisions of Graduate Program have been completed. A vote will take place shortly.



MESSAGE FROM THE PLACEMENT DIRECTOR

The Director of Graduate Placement seeks to provide information and assistance to graduate students who are in the process of applying for jobs.

As the new Placement Director, I was pleased to launch a program of workshops, practice job talks, and resources this past fall. These will continue into the spring. The sessions this past fall included a discussion of what the academic job search process is like, and what should go in a placement file. I have been collecting resources for students to use in their job searches, including where to look for jobs both in the US and Great Britain. This spring, I plan to hold sessions on non-academic jobs, and on how to apply for grants and fellowships. I have also organized a number of opportunities for grad students to present their work as a practice for the job interview. I want to thank both those students and the faculty and students who provided them with helpful feedback—which is so critical to a successful job interview.

We currently have about a dozen current students looking for academic jobs, and two former students who are on the market again after holding one- or two-year positions.

I am currently working with our website designer to add a strong Placement section to the department website. This will include information useful to graduate students, and of course, the list of our graduate students. I am currently collecting information and CV's from graduate students to place on this webpage, once it is ready.



CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Center for American Politics and Citizenship (CAPC)

Staff members at CAPC are encouraged to participate in and present our research at conferences. Paul Herrnson gave a presentation on “Politics After the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act” at a conference at the National Press Club sponsored by the Campaign Finance Institute on January 9 and a presentation on “Interest Groups and Issue Advocacy in the 2002 Elections” at a conference sponsored by the Campaign and Media Legal Center and the University of Utah’s Hinckley Institute January 12-14. Atiya Stokes and Paul Herrnson will present “Black, White, and Green: Campaign Contributions in State Legislative Elections” at the 2003 annual meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association. They will also present “Campaigning on the Internet: Constituency Demographics and the Diffusion of Innovations in Election Politics” at the 2003 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Owen Abbe will be presenting two papers at the Midwest meeting: “Party Strategy in Nonfederal Contributions” and “Soft Money and Issue Advocacy in the 2002 Maryland 8th Congressional District Election.” He will also serve as a discussant on the panel “The Effects of Negative Campaigns on Voters.” Peter Francia, Nate Bigelow, and Paul Herrnson will present “Improving Political Debates: Assessments and Suggestions from Citizens” at the Western Political Science Association’s annual meeting in Denver. Peter and Paul will present “Learning from the Professionals: Candidates’ Perspectives on Negative Campaigning” at the Midwest conference.

Public Service and Outreach - CAPC

Public service and outreach are two very important components of CAPC’s mission. Paul Herrnson presented two CAPC research reports to government agencies in January— “Marylanders’ Opinions of Campaign Finance and Campaign Finance Reform” and “Contributions to Maryland General Assembly Candidates in the 1998 Elections.” In addition, Paul Herrnson and Owen Abbe submitted testimony on “Public Financing for Judicial Elections” to the American Bar Association’s Commission on the 21st Century Judiciary.

The Harrison Program

The Harrison Program will do Paper presentations by GVPT students and faculty who will be presenting papers at the annual ISA meeting on February 21 at 10am, location TBA, “ISA at Maryland.”

Program on Global Security and Disarmament (PGSD)

The Program on Global Security and Disarmament is planning two events at the International Studies Association meeting. **Roundtable: The Conditions of Peace.** Participants will assess the cumulation of knowledge with respect to the conditions for peace. Together, the participants provide perspectives based in economic analysis, morality, and political and military dimensions. Their collective experience spans a broad range of fields in theory and in practice. Together, they will provide an assessment of how far we have come in understanding the conditions of peace, and how much work is yet to be done. Distinguished group of participants will be Natalie Goldring as chair, Gar Alperovitz, Randall Forsberg, Jane Holl Lute, John Mueller, Carolyn Stephenson, and Shibley Telhami. **Panel: Arms Control and Disarmament: Lessons Learned and Future Prospects.** This panel considers the cumulation of knowledge on arms control and disarmament issues, focusing primarily on weapons of mass destruction. Participants consider lessons learned in regions ranging from the Middle East to South Asia, Northeast Asia to South America. Collectively, the papers review progress toward disarmament while also developing a

future policy agenda. Panel includes Gar Alperovitz as chair, Avner Cohen, Natalie Goldring, Akira Kurosaki, and Takao Takahara.

Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM)

The Partners in Conflict Project at CIDCM will hold a campus-wide/town meeting at the National University of Lesotho to discuss the establishment of a conflict management center at NUL. This center will develop an academic program offering courses in conflict transformation as well as conduct peace research and outreach to primary and secondary schools. It will also offer training programs.

The Partners in Conflict Project will also hold a workshop for political party leaders and chiefs to evaluate the implementation of actions, plans, pledges, and commitments made during the September 2000 workshop held in South Africa.

DC Area Contentious Politics Workshops headed by Christian Davenport:

February 12: Presenter Prof. James Glass

February 19: Presenter Bidisha Biswas

February 26: Presenter TBA



MENTORSHIP: FACULTY-GRADUATE STUDENT COLLABORATION

by Jim Gimpel

Cultivating Democracy

Jim Gimpel, Celeste Lay and Jason Schuknecht are coauthors of a forthcoming book, *Cultivating Democracy: Civic Environments and Political Socialization in America* to be published by Brookings in the summer of '03. The substantive thrust of the book is to merge contextual theories of political behavior with the body of political socialization research, to reason about how socialization experiences hinge upon community characteristics such as the partisan political balance, and racial and immigrant composition. The book tests hypotheses about contextual effects using hierarchical linear models on data from 3,000 high school students drawn from 29 distinct school sites in the metropolitan Washington and Baltimore areas. The authors advance policy recommendations based on their findings. A second book manuscript is planned using data drawn from schools in Iowa with immigrant and nonimmigrant populations.

Locating and Understanding Non-Voters

Jim Gimpel and Josh Dyck are working on adapting software widely used in epidemiology for detecting disease clusters for applications in political science. Instead of focusing on clusters of leukemia or breast cancer, however, Jim and Josh are examining clusters of voters and non-voters with specific traits (age, race, geographic mobility). Taking voter lists from large counties (e.g., Nashville, Tennessee; Seattle, Washington; Columbus, Ohio), we first map the residential address of each registered voter. Some of the lists contain over one million cases so we often map 20 percent samples. Then, for example, we map specific types of non-voters –

such as those in the 18-30 age group. We adapt the epidemiology software to determine the location of statistically significant clusters – those concentrations of non-voters that are not simply randomly distributed across space. The goal is to contribute to our knowledge about the geographic clustering of politically relevant traits. In addition to contributing to the fields of political behavior and political geography, this knowledge could be used to refine voter mobilization efforts and campaign strategy.



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Books out or in press

Shibley Telhami's The Stakes: America and the Middle East by Westview Press.

Paul Herrnsen's Campaign Battle Lines co-edited with Ronald A. Faucheux by *Campaigns & Elections, 2002*.

Gar Alperovitz, Thad Williamson and David Imbroscio's Making a Place for Community: Local Democracy in a Global Era by Routledge University Press

Irwin Morris, Joe Oppenheimer and Karol Soltan have had their 2000-2001 lecture series of the collective choice center From Anarchy to Democracy accepted for publication by Stanford University Press.

Vladimir Tismaneanu's Stalinism for All Seasons: A Political History of Romanian Communism with University of California Press.

Ken Conca and former Graduate Student Geoffrey Dabelko's Environmental Peacemaking with Johns Hopkins University Press and Woodrow Wilson Center Press.

Former Graduate Student Richard Conley's "*The Presidency, Congress, and Divided Govt: A Postwar Assessment*" was just published by Texas A & M University Press.

Articles in print

Jillian Schwedler has published an article in the Journal of Democracy titled "*Yemen's Aborted Opening*" and in the Middle East Policy titled "*Islamist Parties and Regime Relations Since September 11.*"

Shibley Telhami is Guest Editor of a special issue of Journal of International Negotiation on establishing a data set on intrastate and international negotiation and mediation.

Christian Davenport with Ted Gurr, Monty Marshall and Keith Jagers published an article in Comparative Political Studies title "*Polity IV, 1800-1999: A Reply to Munck and Verkuilen.*" Chris also published with Partrick Ball in the Journal of Conflict Resolution an article titled "*Views to a Kill: Exploring the Implications of Source Selection in the Case of Guatemalan State Terror, 1977-1996.*"

Vladimir Tismaneanu's review-essay titled "*Europe on the Horizon*" with Times Literary Supplement was published on October 25, 2002 and his article "*Lenin's Century: Marxism, Bolshevism and the Russian Tradition*" was published in the Summer 2002 in the Partisan Review, No. 3.

Martin Heisler and B. Guy Peters "*Comparing Social Policy Across Levels of Government, Countries, and Time: Belgium and Sweden since 1870*" was published in Douglas E. Ashford Edition, *Part 4: Policy as the Determinant of Politics* in the Comparing Public Policies: New Concepts and Methods with Sage Publications

Jim Gimpel and former Graduate Student Jason Schuknecht's research article "*Reconsidering Political Regionalism in the American States*" was published in the State Politics and Policy Quarterly in the Winter 2002.

Shibley Telhami in the Spring 2002 issue of Security Studies titled "*Kenneth Waltz, Neorealism, and Foreign Policy*" and is Guest Editor of a special issue of International Negotiation on establishing a data set on intrastate and international negotiation and mediation.

Grants

Shibley Telhami received a Carnegie grant of \$380,600 for research, analysis and dissemination on the impact of transnational media on the concepts of identity and sovereignty.

Jim Gimpel has received a grant from Ahmanson Community Trust for \$101,000, a grant from CIRCLE (via the Pew Charitable Trusts) for \$33,000 and from W.T. Grant Foundation for \$25,000 all in service of the "Cultivating Democracy Project."

Margaret Pearson received a Fulbright Research Award to support researching Beijing this fall on China's regulatory state.

Oppenheimer, Elinor Ostrom and TK Ahn have been given an NSF grant to look into, and design a web based data bank structure to house results of repeated social dilemma game experiments.

Awards

Vladimir Tismaneanu received the 2003-2004 Distinguished Scholar-Teacher Award.

The "Lilly-Center for Teaching Excellence Teaching Fellow" Award for 2002-2003 went to Martin Heisler and Lois Vietri.

Jim Glass gave his Distinguished Scholar-Teacher Program Lecture titled "Phantasies of Being Cured: Political Psychology and Genocide."

Graduate Student Atiya Stokes was awarded this years' "*Jean Spencer Award*".

Jim Glass just received his certificate from The American Political Science Association and Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society "For Outstanding Teaching in Political Science" presented on August 28, 2002.

Christian Davenport received the 2003-2004 General Research Board Semester Award.

Shibley Telhami received the Distinguished International Services Award on 11/21/02 at the International Awards Ceremony, presented by president Mote.

Lectures and Presentations

Professors Shibley Telhami and Jillian Schwedler, on behalf of the Sadat Chair for Peace and Development at the CIDCM, will be hosting a lunchtime talk on Wednesday, February 19 with Professor Gregory Gause of the University of Vermont, who is an expert on the Persian Gulf region. Prof. Gause will be talking about the consequences of war with Iraq for the Persian Gulf. For more details, contact Aysha Ismail at the Sadat Chair Office at 301-405-6734.

Joe Oppenheimer gave a memorial workshop at Princeton University (for Marion Levy) on the State of Theory Regarding International Relations.

Paul Herrnson has made several testimonies before the Maryland General Assembly and State Assemblies.

On July 31, 2002, Shibley Telhami testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on hearing on Iraq on "The Regional Setting of Policy toward Iraq". And at a hearing on October 8, 2002, Shibley testified before the House Committee on Government Reform, "Are we listening to the Arab street?."

Jillian Schwedler presented a paper 11/24/02 on "Bad Guys in Our Hood: Protest, Policing, and Ethnic Conflict in Jordan," at the annual Middle East Studies Association Conference. She also did a paper and public lecture 11/04/02 on "Civil Society and Political Freedom in the Arab World since September 11," at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Margaret Pearson presented papers on China's role in global agricultural negotiations at Harvard University and at Beijing University's Center for International Political Economy in November, 2002.

Jim Glass was Guest Lecturer for California State University, Long Beach's Odyssey Program. The lecture was presented on November 25, 2002 titled "Genocide and racial phobia."

Wayne McIntosh and Paul Harwood presented a paper at a Carnegie Melon conference on "Electronic Democracy."

Vladimir Tismaneanu was the keynote speaker at an event sponsored by eight European embassies and linked to the establishment of the Cold War Museum at the Romanian Embassy on December 17, 2002. The topic was "The Revolutions of 1989 and the End of the Cold War." Vladimir has interviewed on BBC, Radio Free Europe, and many East European media liked to NATO enlargement.

Charles Butterworth gave a lecture "On Reading Alfarabi: The Straight Path" at Harvard University on November 19, 2002 in honor of Muhsin Mahdi, Jewett Professor of Arabic, Emeritus.

The New York Times featured an interview with Margaret Pearson on December 8, 2002. The interview was about China's behavior as a member of the World Trade Organization.

Ric Uslaner is keynote speaker, International Conference on Social Capital, Economic and Research Institute of the Cabinet Office, Government of Japan, Tokyo, Japan on March 25, 2003.

Ric Uslaner was keynote speaker, "The Moral Foundations of Trust," at the Symposium, "Trust in the Knowledge Society," University of Jyväskylä, Jyväskylä, Finland on September, 20, 2002.

Shibley Telhami briefed the White House Special Security Advisor Condoleeza Rice and Domestic Advisor Karl Rove on global perceptions about Americans.

Research

Tricia Luong, Research Assistant for the Rwanda Project and Webmaster for the Minorities at Risk Project at the Center for International Development, is currently doing research in Rwanda on genocide. She is under the direction of Christian Davenport who is also in Rwanda conducting research. This trip is a follow up to Jarrod Bailey's, General Assistant for the Rwanda Project, IT assessment in Uganda.

Invited Papers and Essays

Ric Uslaner: "The Moral Foundations of Trust," and at the Conference on "Social Capital in the Balkans: The Missing Link?", sponsored by Blue Bird - Agenda for Civil Society in South-East Europe Center for Policy Studies, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, January 28-31, 2003, at Oxford University (UK), February 14, 2003; and the University of Antwerp (Belgium), March 5-8, 2003.

Ric Uslaner (with Gabriel Badescu): "Honesty, Trust, and Legal Norms in the Transition to Democracy: Why Bo Rothstein Is Better Able to Explain Sweden than Romania," for the Collegium Budapest Project on Honesty and Trust Conference, Workshop on Formal and Informal Cooperation, was November 22-23, 2002 and at the Conference on "Corrupt

Transactions Exploring the Analytical Capacity of Institutional Economics," University of Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany, was on November 15-16 2002.



SCHEDULE**FEBRUARY 2003**

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| 23 | 24 8-9PM CONF. Celebrating the 200 th Anniversary of Marbury v. Madison | 25 ISA 8:30-5:30PM CONF. Celebrating the 200 th Anniversary of Marbury v. Madison | 26 ISA 10:30-12PM Contentious Politics Workshop 11-12:30PM Executive Committee Meeting | 27 ISA | 28 ISA 6-7PM Dean Goldstein's Retirement Reception 7-10PM Dean Goldstein's Retirement Dinner | |

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Now to access the calendar, click on the little person and select my name. Click on the Calendar, Select the Month of February, right click on the tab Month, click properties and select Month, then move up to place tab for the Month first. Click OK.

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