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**MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR**
We will wrap things up this academic year with our GVPT “End of Year Reception” on Study Day, May 15th at 12:30pm in 1101 Morrill Hall. We will announce the 2018-2019 departmental, college and university awards listed below. You will also have the opportunity to meet our Commencement Speaker as well. I hope to see you there.

**FACULTY**

- Todd Allee  2018-2019 winner of the RASA Semester Award
- Calvert Jones  2018-2019 BSOS Excellence in Teaching Award – TTK Faculty
- Stella Rouse  2018-2019 winner of the RASA Semester Award
- Stacy Kosko  2018 2019 BSOS Excellence in Teaching Award – PTK Faculty
- Shibley Telhami  2018-2019 Distinguished Scholar-Teacher Award

**GRADUATE STUDENTS**

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- Graduate School Summer Research Award
- Tiago Ventura  Graduate School Summer Research Award
- Sebastian Vallejo Vera  2018-2019 BSOS Excellence in Teaching Award - Graduate Teaching Assistant

The GVPT Commencement ceremony will take place on Monday, May 24th, 2019 at 9:00AM in the Armory. If you are a volunteer, thanks very much! If not, please consider being a part of this very important event in the lives of our students and our department in the near future.

The Department of Government and Politics, The Anwar Sadat Chair for Peace and Development, and CIDCM/MIDCM all participated in Maryland Day 2019 on April 27th. Many of the attendees took our “U.S. Citizenship Test” and the “American Presidential History” quiz. We gave out our popular GVPT pens and GVPT phone wallets. Thanks to all the students, staff, and faculty who made it out this year to help at our tables, and thanks to all those who attended and made this event possible.

On April 7th, Team GVPT participated in the Credit Union Cherry Blossom 10 Mile Run for the sixth year. Our team placed 1st again in the “Educational Institutions” division of the CUCB team competition! Congrats to Haley Auguston, Eric Dunford, Frances Lee, Jared McDonald, and SoRelle Wyckoff. Way to go team!
Thank you for following us and for a wonderful semester. And finally, this will be my last newsletter. In July, I’ll be taking over as the Executive Director of the School of Public and International Affairs at NC State University. While I’m excited about this new opportunity, it has been great working with you all, and I’ll miss you very much. It’s been an honor to serve as your chair.

All the best,

Irwin

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Ann Marie, the faculty, and students did a remarkable job with our graduate recruitment efforts. We have an outstanding entering cohort. Thank you for all of your help with recruitment. Please be sure to register soon for Fall so we can avoid having to cancel classes due to low enrollment and so that we can minimize assignment switching due to course conflicts.

Please join me in congratulating the following students who won UMD, BSOS, or GVPT awards:

Graduate Award Winners in 2018-19 Academic Year

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      2019 Roger H. Davidson Award
Alauna Safarpour  2018 Jean Elizabeth Spencer Award
      Graduate School Summer Research Award
Tiago Ventura  Graduate School Summer Research Award
Please also join me in congratulating our students who defended and submitted all revisions for their Ph.D. with a May graduation:

Catherine Kane Aiken  
Noa Balf  
Casey Burgat  
Andres Garcia  
Agatha Hultquist  
Charlie Hunt  
Brandon Ives  
Ted Plettner  
Joan Carreras Timoneda

We have a number of other students completing final revisions and more defenses in May as well.

Keep up the great work!

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. In 2019 here’s our year end report for Placement:

- Jose Cabezas is joining the Universidad Mayor in Chile as an Assistant Professor  
- Heather Hicks is joining Colorado State University as an Assistant Professor  
- Charles Hunt is joining Boise State University as an Assistant Professor  
- Jacob Lewis has a VAP offer from Penn State-Erie  
- Peggy McWeeney got a Fulbright to the Philippines
• Joan Timoneda is joining Duke University as a Post-Doctoral Fellow
• Sebastian Vallejo is joining University of Houston as a Post-Doctoral Fellow

Congratulations to them all!

Kathleen Cunningham
Director of Placement

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Book Orders
Book orders for Summer and Fall are due. If you have not already done so, please submit your book orders ASAP.

Spring 2019 Commencement
The GVPT Commencement ceremony will take place on Friday, May 24th 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.

Undergraduate Scholarship Winners
The department awarded over $25k in scholarships this spring. Winners are listed below and will be announced at the GVPT End of the Year Reception.

Leila Dawson
Mary Elizabeth Roby Scholarship Award

Ryan Garfinkel
2019 Boren Scholarship for intensive critical language study abroad

Alexandria Guzman
Brian M. Gardner Public Service Award

Caroline Larkin
Brian M. Gardner Public Service Award

Ariel Levchenko
Joe Oppenheimer Scholarship Award

Joy London
Paul S. and Lisa M. Mandell Scholarship

Pierina Hernandez Luperdi
Kenneth and Jacqueline Ulman Scholarship

Emily Marks
2019 Boren Scholarship for intensive critical language study abroad

Taiwo Mustafa
Wayne V. McIntosh Endowed Undergraduate Scholarship Award

Selena Rawlley
The Joseph D. Tydings Endowed Scholarship in Government, Policy, and Leadership

Luisa Beltran Rey
Kenneth Vaughn Scholarship Award

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:
Jillian Santos jsantos5@umd.edu or (301) 405-4142
Kiersten Riffert krieffert@umd.edu or (301) 405-4124
GVPT GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The GSA will hold their final meeting of the semester, on May 2nd at 11 am, in Tydings 1111.

New GSA officers for the 2019-2020 academic year were elected in April:

**GSA Co-Chairs**
Tristan Hightower  
Jennifer St. Sume

**DGSAC representatives**
Alauna Safarpour  
SoRelle Wyckoff

**GSG representative**
Simon Sheaff

**Methods Workshop Chair**
Ted Ellsworth

**Graduate Student Workshop Chair**
Nick Miras

**Grad Lab Officer**
Sean Rao

If you have any announcements to pass along to graduate students, please let the GSA Co-Chairs know. Thank you.

GSA co-chairs,  
SoRelle Wyckoff (sorellew@terpmail.umd.edu)  
Kee Hyun Park (khpark@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.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR PHD Alums**

**Articles and Chapters in print**


**Lectures, Presentations and Other**

**Diamond, Michael** (Ph.D. 1981) Professor Emeritus of Public Affairs and Organization Studies, University of Missouri, Columbia, will be a featured invited speaker: “Discovering Organizational Identity: Reflections on four decades of psychoanalytic organizational studies” at the Annual conference of the International Psychohistorical Association on May 23rd, 2019, New York University Cantor Film Center, 36 E. 8th Street.

**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](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:**

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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:

NO May Workshops

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.gypt.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.

Spring 2019 Workshop Schedule:

NO May Workshops

Fall 2019 Workshop Schedule:

October 14, 2019       Aila Matanock, Berkeley       1109 CHIN – 11am

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 Sarah Croco scroco@umd.edu.
CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Center for American Politics and Citizenship (CAPC)

In early May, the seven students in the undergraduate research program will present their findings from their independent research projects. Students are working on a diverse set of topics and we look forward to their thought-provoking presentations at the CAPC symposium on May 15th.

Since its creation in 1999, the Center for American Politics and Citizenship has provided numerous research and experiential learning opportunities for students, supported the work of faculty, and has helped inform the public on important issues affecting their everyday lives. However, the time has come for some changes. Over the next year CAPC will transition its research and programming in preparation for a new college level center that will focus on civic engagement and participation, and have broader reach across the university campus. The student programs will continue to thrive within the GVPT department.

We will provide more information about the transition process and the new center as it becomes available. We greatly appreciate all the support CAPC has received over the years and hope that you will continue to support and engage with the department, the new college level center, and the university.

Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM)

No updates this month!

❖ Sadat Chair for Peace

In May, Dr. Shibley Telhami, the Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development, will be participating in the Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) 10th Annual Conference at The George Washington University where he will be serving on a panel on “Public Opinion and Attitude Change.” Looking ahead to the summer, he will be traveling to Assilah, Morocco in June to participate in a symposium on “The Unbearable Burden of Democracy: What path to salvation?” for the Assilah Forum Foundation.

❖ The Bahá’í Chair for World Peace

No events posted for May!

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Books


https://www.cambridge.org/core/books/red-green-and-blue/D95292C12340F508E0D1BC8945649D1C

**Articles**


**Rouse, Stella** and **Shibley Telhami** wrote a piece for The Conversation on "How Hispanics Really Feel about Trump". Here is the link to the article:  [https://theconversation.com/how-hispanics-really-feel-about-trump-114721](https://theconversation.com/how-hispanics-really-feel-about-trump-114721)


**Lectures, Presentations and Other**

**Kosko, Stacy** will be delivering an invited lecture at New Mexico State University Department of Philosophy and a lecture at the Moral and Political Philosophy on the Border Conference at the University of Texas-El Paso. The paper is called "Basic Rights and 'Standard Threats': Standard for Whom?"

**Uslaner, Eric** had 3 invited talks, "National Identity and Political Polarization," at the Workshop on National Identity, University of Copenhagen, September, 2019; "Trust, Corruption, and Inequality," Academica Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, April 22, 2019; And "The Historical Roots of Corruption, April 26, National Chung Hsing University Taiwan

**Awards**
Jones, Calvert won the 2019 Excellence in Teaching Award - Tenure Track Faculty from the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences.

Kosko, Stacy won the 2019 Excellence in Teaching Award - Lecturer or Instructor from the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences.

Lee, Frances was elected into the National Academy of Arts and Sciences in Political Science and International Relations section. This membership recognizes the achievements of individuals in academia, the arts, business, government, and public affairs.

**GRADUATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Awards**

Billing, Trey won the Ann G. Wylie Dissertation Fellowship Award.

Breslawski, Jori won the Global Religion Research Initiative’s Project Launch Grant with Brandon Ives.

Hunt, Charles is this year's recipient of the Conley H. Dillon award. This award recognizes not just your outstanding dissertation but also the wide variety of important contributions you have made to GVPT.

Ives, Brandon won the Global Religion Research Initiative’s Project Launch Grant with Jori Breslawski.

Lugg, Andrew won the Ann G. Wylie Dissertation Fellowship Award.

McDonald, Jared won the Ann G. Wylie Dissertation Fellowship Award.

Miras, Nicholas is this year's recipient of the Roger H. Davidson award in American Politics. Nick also is this year’s recipient of the Don C. Piper Award for the best conference paper or journal article for your forthcoming piece in Presidential Studies Quarterly.

Safarpour, Alauna received the Graduate School Summer Research Award

Vallejo Vera, Sebastian won the 2019 Excellence in Teaching Award - Graduate Teaching Assistant from the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences.

Ventura, Tiago was awarded a Graduate School Summer Research Award, and a Summer Grant from the Russel Sage Foundation to attend the Summer Institute in Computational Social Science in Princeton. Tiago was also accepted to attend the Summer Institute on Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) on Emory University, funded by NSF.

Vallejo Vera, Sebastian won the BSOS 2019 Excellence in Teaching Award as a Graduate Teaching Assistant.
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