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  - April 15 (Monday) Full Professor/possible Tenured Faculty ONLY!
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- Maryland Day: April 27th from 10am to 4pm
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MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR

On March 7th, 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 Kawar, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United States. To RSVP, please visit: 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 27th. 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 8th.

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.

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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Kiersten Riffert kriffert@umd.edu or (301) 405-4124

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) and Kee Hyun Park (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

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


Articles and Chapters in print


**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.


**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:**

- **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.gypt.umd.edu](http://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:**

- **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.

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 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!
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!

To apply, go to our page [https://cidcm.umd.edu/landing/MIDCM](https://cidcm.umd.edu/landing/MIDCM) and complete the online form.

Applications are due by 11:59 pm Monday, February 25, 2019.

If you have any questions, feel free to email us at MIDCMinfo@umd.edu

**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 40th 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 Kawar, 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

- **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

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**Articles**


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