

Department of Political Science Newsletter, November 9, 2009

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<http://www.polisci.washington.edu/Alumni/Newsletter/newsletter.html>

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UW will be closed for the following holidays in November:

Veteran's Day Holiday: Wednesday, November 11th

Thanksgiving Day Holiday: Thursday and Friday, November 26-27th

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GRANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR FACULTY:

The **Institute for Ethnic Studies in the United States (IESUS)** invites applications from University of Washington faculty members who are engaged in or are beginning projects on ethnic issues in the United States. The deadline for applications is November 16, 2009. For more information on application guidelines, please see the IESUS website at <http://depts.washington.edu/iesus/> or direct questions to Kelly Koo at (206) 616-6610 or via email at iesus@u.washington.edu

GRANT/FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS:

Apply now for Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships: Application packets for Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships are now available for students to pick up from the Jackson School of International Studies, Office of Student Services in Thomson 111. Incoming and current graduate and professional students from all departments and schools are encouraged to apply. The deadline is January 15, 2010.

Incoming and current M.A and Ph.D. students, who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents, and plan to study a modern foreign language, in combination with area or international studies or international aspects of professional fields, are eligible for Academic Year awards. Summer fellowships are granted to those who will take an intensive foreign language course in the U.S. or abroad.

Summer 2010 awards will provide tuition up to \$4,000, plus a living allowance of \$2,500. Travel funds up to \$1,000 are available with summer awards only. Academic Year 2010-11 fellowships, pending funding, will grant tuition up to \$12,000**, plus a stipend of \$15,000**. Graduate appointee health insurance is paid out of the tuition amount.

Students may assemble the information needed to apply by downloading materials from <http://jsis.washington.edu/advise/catalog/flasapp.html>

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FACULTY RECRUITMENT INTERVIEW SCHEDULE:

Candidates for American Politics position:

Candidate files can be checked out for review from Ann. See Ann to set up an appointment with the candidates.

November 16-17 (Monday-Tuesday):

Michael Murakami (Visiting Assistant Professor at Georgetown University; PhD UC-Berkeley, 2008)

Job Talk: Monday, November 16, 3:30-5pm, GWN 1A.

Talk Title: TBA

November 19-20 (Thursday-Friday):

Rebecca Thorpe (PhD expected Fall 2009, University of Maryland)

Job Talk: Thursday, November 19, 3:30-5pm, GWN 1A.

Talk Title: TBA

November 23-24 (Monday-Tuesday):

Megan Mullin (Assistant Professor at Temple University, PhD UC-Berkeley, 2005)

Job Talk: Monday, November 23, 3:30-5pm, GWN 1A.

Talk Title: TBA

FACULTY AND GRADUATE STUDENTS PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

Lance Bennett is developing a project on digital public spheres in the European Union at the Collegium Research Group on the Transformative Power of Europe at the Free University of Berlin

<http://www.polsoz.fu-berlin.de/en/v/transformeurope/team/index.html>

Lance Bennett is also the Bonnier Guest Professor in the Institute of Journalism, Media and Communication (JMK) at Stockholm University <http://www.jmk.su.se/contents/sidor/english/>. Lance delivered several talks at Stockholm University: On October 28, he presented The Bonnier Lecture: "When the Press Fails: Power and the U.S. News Media;" on October 29, he presented a talk at the research colloquium at JMK: "The Transformation of Citizenship and the Possibilities of a Digital Public Sphere;" on October 30, he delivered a lecture to the Political Science Department of Stockholm University: "Communicating Global Justice: Narratives and the Organization of Fair Trade Activist Networks;" and on November 5, he will present a talk at the research colloquium at JMK: "Communicating Citizenship Online: Contrasting Models of Civic Engagement in the Youth Web Sphere"

Daniel Berliner presented a paper (co-authored with Aseem Prakash), "Corporate Social Responsibility and the United Nations: Cross-National Diffusion of the UN Global Compact," at the Meiji University Graduate School of Business Administration, 50th Anniversary Symposium in Tokyo, Japan on November 1, 2009.

Margaret Levi participated in two workshops focusing on improving labor standards and supply chains to ensure protection of workers and environment: MIT, October 29-30; University of Wisconsin, November 6.

TALKS/SEMINARS:

Practice Job Talk: **David Watkins** (Ph.D. student, UW-PoliSci) "Democracy as the Struggle for Fairer and More Equal Social Relations," **Monday, November 9, 4:30-6pm, Gowen 1A**. Please come to learn about David's scholarship and to offer your feedback as David prepares for the rigors of the interview process.

Simpson Center for the Humanities NEW BOOKS IN PRINT: **Stephen Majeski** (Professor and Chair, UW-PoliSci), U.S. Foreign Policy in Perspective: Clients, Enemies, and Empire (Routledge, 2009), **Tuesday, November 10, 4pm, Communication 202**.

Law, Societies & Justice, the South Asia Center, the Jackson School of International Studies, and the Center for Human Rights: **Ray McGovern** (retired CIA analyst turned CIA critic, founder of "Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity"), "Why Accountability for Torture is Crucial for Human Rights, Our Security, and Our Souls," **Thursday, November 12, 7pm, Kane 220**.

UW Office of Global Affairs and College of the Environment: **Lester Brown**, environmental leader, author of author of books such as "Outgrowing the Earth: The Food Security Challenge" and his latest "Plan B

4.0: Mobilizing to Save Civilization," speaks on **Thursday, November 12, 7pm, Kane 130**. Brown, described by the Washington Post as "one of the world's most influential thinkers," is credited with helping pioneer the concept of sustainable development in the 1970s. He's the founder and president of the Earth Policy Institute, a research organization based in Washington, D.C., <http://www.earth-policy.org/>. The event is free and open to the public. Co-sponsored by Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, World Affairs Council, Hill & Knowlton and Washington State China Relations Council.

University of Washington International Security Colloquium (UWISC): **Steve Zech**, (Ph.D. Student, UW-PoliSci), "Grass-roots Jihadist Networks, Political Entrepreneurs, and Terrorist Violence: Dynamic Networks and the 11-M Madrid Train Bombings," **Friday, November 13, 12:00-1:30pm, Gowen 1A**. Discussant: **Christi Siver** (Postdoc, UW-PoliSci)

University of Washington International Security Colloquium (UWISC): **Nina Tannenwald**, (Associate Professor of International Relations, Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University), "Targeted Killings: The Decline of the Norm Against Assassination?" **Friday, December 4, 12:00-1:30pm, Gowen 1A**. Discussant: **William d'Ambruoso**, Ph.D. student, UW-PoliSci.