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GPIS/CRGS News

GPIS End of the Year Picnic

With another semester coming to a close, the time has come to celebrate the end of the year. Please mark your calendars for the GPIS Picnic on Saturday May 3, 2008 at 4:00 PM at Whitehurst Beach along the Elizabeth River (adjacent to ODU Campus).

There will be plenty of food and drink, but you are welcome to bring your favorite dish or beverage to share. Also, please bring any lawn games, outdoor activities, or beach/camping chairs that you have. Families welcomed!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Brendan Foley, Lenny Khurtsidze, Angelia Sanders, Emily Schott, and Rebecca Sorell for successfully completing their MA Comprehensive Exams.

Modeling and Simulation Notice

Students should be aware that *Modeling & Simulation Fundamentals*, offered in Fall 2008, is part one of a two part core course for anyone pursuing Modeling & Simulation as a major, minor, or certificate.

The second will be offered in Spring 2009, and both courses are core requirements for the Modeling & Simulation track.

Summary of Events:

GSIS April Organizational Meeting
Sunday April 27, 2008 at 2:00 PM,
Portsmouth Room of Webb Center.

"Institutional Conditionality and States: The Czech and Slovak Accession to NATO and the EU." Dissertation Fellow Eva Svobodova Sigmon, Monday April 28, 2008 in 7009 BAL at 12: 15 PM.

Purple Hope Exercise at Joint Forces Staff College Thursday May 1, 2008.

GPIS Picnic Saturday May 3, 2008 at Whitehurst Beach.

Finding a Job in Academia, a discussion with Dr. Chen. Tuesday May 6, 2008 at 12:30 PM in 7009 BAL.

Fran Jacobson Dissertation Defense, Wednesday May 14, 2008 at 10:30 AM in 7009 BAL.

Using EndNote with Library Databases workshop, Saturday May 17, 2008 10:00 - 11:30 PM.

Upcoming Deadlines:

- Apr. 29, 2008: Theses/Dissertations due in registrar's office for Spring 2008
- Apr. 30, 2008: Proposals for E Pluribus Unum? Conference Bielefeld, Germany
- May 1, 2008: Proposals for Building Bridges III: Multiculturalism and Diversity



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GSIS Updates

Upcoming Research Presentation

Dissertation Fellow, Eva Svobodova Sigmon will present *Institutional Conditionality and States: The Czech and Slovak Accession to NATO and the EU* on Monday April 28, 2008 from 12:15 - 1:15 in 7009 BAL.

GSIS April Meeting and Elections

We will have our last organizational meeting of the 2007-2008 Academic year on Sunday April 27, 2008 at 2:00 PM in the Portsmouth Room of Webb Center. We will wrap up the year and preview the 2008-2009 year.

We will also hold officer elections at this meeting. Absentee ballots can be emailed JoAnne Hakala-Applebaugh (jhakala@odu.edu) until 12:00PM on the 27th.

Pizza and drinks will be provided for all students. After the meeting we will watch "Charlie Wilson's War", a recent movie about a Texas Congressman who assisted Afghan rebels during the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

A Special Thank You

GSIS would like to extend a special thank you to Emily Schott and Melodee Baines for all of their hard work on behalf of the students of GPIS. Emily and Melodee will be leaving their positions in GSIS to pursue other challenges. Their steady leadership and bright personalities will be sorely missed at the GSIS, but we extend our wholehearted support to them as they embrace this next phase of their lives.

Norfolk Tides Game

Thank you to everyone who came out to cheer on the Tides against the Richmond Braves on Wednesday the 23rd. It was a great evening at Harbor Park and GSIS would like to extend a thank you Evan and Julia Campbell for the idea. If you missed out on this opportunity, stay tuned for future opportunities.



GPIS/CRGS News, cont.

Finding a Job in Academia

Come hear about finding an academic job from Dr. Chen during an hour long informal discussion. This is an excellent opportunity for PhD students to get an insider's perspective of what search committees are looking for in applicants. MA students may also benefit, if they are thinking about a career in academics.

This question and answer session will take place on Tuesday May 6, 2008 from 12:30-1:30 in 7009 BAL. GPIS will be providing pizza for all students who attend.

Purple Hope Exercise at Joint Forces Staff College

Joint Forces Staff College seeks volunteers for an upcoming Purple Hope exercises. Student volunteers are needed to play the roles of civilian agencies such as the UN and various Non-Governmental Organizations.

The next Purple Hope exercise will take place on May 1. Students should contact Gary McCorkindale by directly at MCCORKINDALEG@ndu.edu.

For more information about Joint Forces exercises visit: www.al.odu.edu/crgs/JFSC_exercises.shtml

Conference Reimbursement

Students attending conferences are eligible to be reimbursed for expenses incurred. Currently, students can be reimbursed up to \$200 per conference attended.

Students must receive approval for travel expenses **in advance before attending** the conference and submit receipts **on return**. Use this form for reimbursement: <http://al.odu.edu/al/resources/studentconferenceparticipationsupport.doc>

Spring 2008 Dissertation Defense

On Wednesday May 14, 2008 Fran Jacobson will defend her dissertation entitled: *Jimmy Carter's Foreign Policy: The Battle for Power and Principle*. This defense will take place at 10:30 AM in 7009 BAL.

Around Campus

Baskets & Beads Benefit

On Saturday April 26, 2008 there will be a silent benefit auction in support of South African and Rwandan women artisans. All proceeds will be contributed to efforts to sponsor a 2009 US speaking tour for Myrtle Witbooi & Hester Stephens, leaders of the South African Domestic Workers' Union.

Individually crafted items for sale include a collection of beaded jewelry from Cape Town artists Perth Kraya and Mboni Mabunda. In addition, 10 intricately woven grain storage baskets from the Dufatanye women's cooperative at the Rwandan National Museum will be featured.

The event will take place on Saturday April 26, from 10:00 - 12:00 PM at the YWCA, 5215 Colley Avenue, Norfolk. Continental Breakfast will be provided. Please bring cash or check for your auction payments. Guests may also place orders for South African beaded jewelry. Items will be available in June 2008, following our upcoming women's studies service-learning course.



Library News

Graduate Student EndNote Workshop

Saturday May 17, 2008 attend Using EndNote with Library Databases. This workshop will help you collect citations from the library's databases to export into EndNote, a powerful tool for organizing and managing bibliographic citations.

The workshop will be held in Perry Library room 163 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM. To register, contact Nancy Schafer at nschafer@odu.edu or 683-5909. Students and staff can download and install EndNote 10 for free from ODU: <http://occs.odu.edu/hardwaresoftware/downloads/studfacstaff/studfacstaff.shtml>.

Web of Science Now Includes "Arts & Humanities Citation Index"

"Arts & Humanities Citation Index" (AHCI) provides access to bibliographic information, author abstracts, and cited references from over 1,150 of the world's leading arts and humanities journals. It also covers individually selected, relevant items from approximately 7,000 journals in the sciences and social sciences.

New Resources: Making of the Modern World and 19th Century U.S. Newspapers

- The Making of the Modern World: Goldsmiths'-Kress Library of Economic Literature 1450-1850.
- 19th Century U.S. Newspapers: With digital facsimile images of both full pages and clipped articles for hundreds of 19th century U.S. newspapers and advanced searching capabilities, researchers will be able to re-search history in ways previously unavailable.

New Journals Added to Project Muse

- *Transition* is an international review of politics, culture, and ethnicity from Beijing to Bujumbura.
- *Journal of Film and Video* an internationally respected forum, focuses on scholarship in the fields of film and video production, history, theory, criticism, and aesthetics.
- *Contagion: Journal of Violence, Mimesis, and Culture*.

Announcements

Call for Papers: Thirty-Second Colloquium on Literature and Film

West Virginia University will host the 32nd Colloquium on Literature and Film, entitled: Revisiting the Past in Contemporary Literature and Film on Sept. 11-13, 2008. Submissions are invited on the many ways that contemporary authors and filmmakers find their inspiration in history. Topics include, but are not limited to the following:

- Historical Novels
- Writing Colonial History
- Comparative Perspectives on Historical Events
- Constructing the Present by Interpreting the Past
- Rereading History through New Eyes and Ideologies
- Cinematic Versions of Epics
- Dramatizing History
- HerStory: Re-Placing Women in History
- Literary and Cinematic Subversions of History
- Minority Writers and History
- Science Fiction and History
- History in Popular Culture
- History as Theater for the Present
- Literary Representations of Pre-History
- Theories of the Historical Novel
- Teaching History through Film
- Historical Novels into Film
- Historical Events Across Genres
- Cross-Cultural Readings of the Past
- Literature and Cinema: Filling the Silences of History

Please submit 300-word proposals for papers and/or panels by **May 15, 2008** to wvucoll@mail.wvu.edu. The program will allow twenty minutes for the reading of each paper. Include a cover letter containing the proposal's title, complete contact information, and institutional affiliation.

A limited number of papers read at the Colloquium and submitted to the Editorial Board after their delivery will be considered for refereed publication in the West Virginia Philological Papers. Papers may be read in English, French, German, or Spanish, but only manuscripts submitted in English can be considered for publication.

Call for Papers: Cultures and Languages Across the Curriculum

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill will host Frankly Speaking: Challenges in Integrating Languages and Cultures into a Post-Secondary Curriculum on October 15-17, 2008.

Cultures and Languages Across The Curriculum (CLAC)

The CLAC movement intends to make global competence a reality for students and to create alliances among educators to share practices and methods for incorporating an international dimension in curricula, and, more generally, to achieve internationalization goals. General principles of CLAC include:

- A focus on communication and content;
- An emphasis on developing meaningful content-focused language use outside traditional language classes;
- An approach to language use and cross-cultural skills as a means for the achievement of global intellectual synthesis, in which students learn to combine and interpret knowledge produced in other languages and in other cultures.

Within this large framework, CLAC can take many forms, depending on specific content and curricular goals within a discipline.

Proposal Guidelines

Proposals for 30-minute papers or 90-minute panels on any issue relating to CLAC are welcome.

To submit a proposal, please email an submission form (available on the web at <http://www.unc.edu/clac>) and a one-page abstract (max. 350 words) to clac2008@unc.edu by **May 15, 2008**.

Selected papers will be published on the CLAC conference website. Submission of a proposal constitutes agreement to online publication. This in no way limits the author's rights to publish the paper elsewhere. For additional information, please visit the conference website at <http://www.unc.edu/clac>.

Announcements, cont.

Call for Papers: I International Conference on Intercultural Studies: Oporto, Portugal December 9, 2008

The Centre for Intercultural Studies of the Polytechnic Institute of Oporto's School of Accounting and Administration (ISCA-IPP) will host the I International Conference on Intercultural Studies, on December 9, 2008.

CEI invites all national and international researchers who develop an active interest for the vast field of Intercultural Studies to submit 20 minute paper proposals in Portuguese, English, French, German or Spanish with: title, subject area and abstract (250 words) and bionote (100 words) to: cei@iscap.ipp.pt. The deadline for submission is **June 15, 2008**.

Paper proposals should cover, but not necessarily be restricted to, one of the following broad subject areas:

- Representations of Portugal
- Journeys through Cultures
- Translation and Interpreting
- Compared Contemporary Legal Systems
- Tourism and Intercultural Studies
- Gender and Intercultural Studies
- Learning / Teaching Languages and Cultures
- Intra-Cultural Studies
- The Portuguese Language in the World: New Approaches
- Information Systems and Intercultural Studies
- Economic and Cultural Globalization
- Intercultural Studies in History / History and Intercultural Studies

Papers that are accepted and actually read at the Conference will be selected and considered for national and international publication.

Further details at the Conference's website:
<http://www.iscap.ipp.pt/~cei/congresso.htm>

UCD School of Politics and International Relations Post-doctoral Research Fellow

The School of Politics and International Relations invites applications for a Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship in the area of international relations from candidates who have completed or are very close to completing a PhD. The appointment will be on a fixed-term basis for a period of two years.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

The successful candidate will:

- Engage in research and publication
- Under the direction of the Head of School provide critical management support to the MSc in International Relations
- Contribute to graduate and/or undergraduate teaching in the field of international relations

Qualifications

- Completed or near-completed PhD in an area relevant to International Relations
- Administrative and interpersonal skills
- Plans for future research and publications
- Ability and willingness to contribute to the academic life of the School

Informal enquiries to:

Dr Andreas Dür (Andreas.Duer@ucd.ie) or Dr Tobias Theiler (Tobias.Theiler@ucd.ie)

Application Procedure

http://www.ucd.ie/hr/html/vacancies/guidelines/acad_guidelines.pdf

All applicants must include at a minimum:

- Completed application form
- Application cover letter
- Complete CV including a list of publications
- The names and contact details of three referees

Deadline for receipt of application: **May 1, 2008** (Noon).

Announcements, cont.

Call for Papers: E Pluribus Unum? - Ethnic Identities in Processes of Transnational Integration in the Americas, October 2008 Bielefeld, Germany

The age of globalization has spawned a renewed focus on political and cultural negotiations in what one might call with Bourdieu the field of identity politics. This development manifests itself throughout the American hemisphere: new indigenous movements have contested post-colonial forms of political representation in Ecuador and Bolivia; the debates on ecological consequences of industrialization and on intellectual property rights have put indigenous groups from the Amazonian region on international agendas; large numbers of people have been mobilized for and against immigration reform in the U.S.; and so-called "ethnic minorities" may decide the current electoral process in the United States

In current academic discussions, concepts like multiculturalism, new ethnicities, creolization, hybridity, mestizaje, diasporas, and "post-ethnicity" articulate positionings vis à vis these developments, profoundly changing our understanding of "ethnicity."

The Inter-American Research Group at the Bielefeld Center for Interdisciplinary Research aims to contribute to an understanding of key factors in the field of identity politics, of the changing semantics of ethnicity, as well as of the cultural practices of identity construction. In order to elucidate the role of ethnicity in the field of identity politics, the inaugural conference will focus on the following three areas:

- Conceptualizing the Field of Identity Politics
- Transnationalism and Ethnic Identity
- Ethnicity in/and Conflict

One-page proposals for 30-minute papers (in English or in Spanish) should be e-mailed by **April 30, 2008** to: Trixi.Valentin@uni-bielefeld.de.

Conference participants may apply for partial funding of accommodation costs and travel expenses.

Gender Ratios and Global Migrations, 1850-present: June 2008 University of Minnesota

Join an international team of researchers in reviewing and critiquing the preliminary research results of this exciting project.

The Immigration History Research Center and the Minnesota Population Center with funding from the University of Minnesota's Office of International Programs continues a research project on Gender Ratios and Global Migrations. Started in summer 2007 and using IPUMS and IPUMS International population data, an interdisciplinary research team of University of Minnesota and Vanderbilt University researchers have been exploring the timing and geography of transitions from male- to female dominated migrations within nations and worldwide.

Do women always dominate among short-distance migrants? Do we see transitions in gender ratios among both internal and international migrations and do they occur at the same times? How can perspectives from anthropology, geography, history, sociology, and political science refine and complement the research questions and quantitative research methods most often used in the study of population movements across time and space?

The conference will take place on Wednesday, June 11 (1-4 p.m.) and Thursday June 12 (9-12 p.m.) at the Minnesota Population Center 50 Willey Hall, West Bank Campus Minneapolis, MN.

To register or for more information, contact Donna Gabaccia, Director, Immigration History Research Center: drg@umn.edu

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Jobs and Internships

IDDS Internship Program 2006

The Institute for Defense and Disarmament Studies offers many full and part-time opportunities for unpaid interns and volunteers in the fall, spring, and summer who are interested in gaining practical experience at an educational and research based NGO.

Research Intern (Full and Part-Time)

Conducts research and writing updating topics covered for either the Arms Control Reporter, or ArmsWatch: Global Trends, Prospects, and Policy Options in War and Armaments.

Preference is given to applicants with proficiency in Excel and with reading knowledge of one or more foreign languages. University classes and prior experience pertinent to IDDS's work and mission are desirable. The Institute is particularly interested in interns with personal experience, educational background, and language skills relating to areas covered in ArmsWatch.

Deadlines

Applications are accepted and offers are made on a rolling basis until all positions are filled.

- Fall term: Deadline 22 July
- Spring term: Deadline 20 December
- Summer term: Deadline 22 April

How to Apply

IDDS accepts applications by email, as attachments. Please send a completed application to the Internship Coordinator Courtney Stewart at internships@idds.org. Include:

- Cover letter
- Classes taken that are pertinent to IDDS's work
- interest in one or more of the arms control topics, countries or regions listed
- what would you like to get out of being an IDDS intern and what you can bring to IDDS
- CV or résumé
- internships, jobs, travel, volunteer activities, honors
- Writing sample (less than five pages)

For more information: www.idds.org/InternProgram.html

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Virginia Wesleyan College

Virginia Wesleyan College (VWC), a small (1,200 students, 85 full-time faculty), selective, and diverse liberal arts institution sited on 300 beautiful wooded acres in the heart of the historical, economically dynamic, and culturally rich Norfolk-Virginia Beach metropolitan area, seeks applications for a tenure-track position as assistant professor of political science, beginning fall, 2008. A Ph.D. in political science is required at the time the position begins.

The successful candidate will have teaching and research interests in comparative politics and political economy. We are especially interested in candidates with an interest in development, democratization, and globalization and a geographic specialization in the Middle East, North Africa, or Central Asia. The successful candidate will join a four-person political science department that emphasizes broad teaching and research interests.

The teaching load is 21 hours. Teaching assignments will include qualitative research methods, international political economy, and introductory political science and comparative politics courses. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to develop courses in their field of specialization.

VWC seeks committed teacher-scholars who will foster undergraduate research, be professionally active, and advance the college's quest for Phi Beta Kappa recognition. Salary is competitive. Please send a letter of application, a statement of your philosophy of teaching, a curriculum vitae, transcripts, and three letters of reference to Dr. Timothy G. O'Rourke, Vice President for Academic Affairs & Dean of the College, Virginia Wesleyan College, 1584 Wesleyan Drive, Norfolk, Virginia 23502-5599.

For full consideration, a candidate should submit a complete application by **May 9, 2008**. Review of applications will continue until position is filled.



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Job and Internship Opportunities: U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Learn about a variety of new internship and full-time job opportunities with U.S. Department of Homeland Security at the DHS Careers website: www.dhs.gov/xabout/careers. Through DHS Careers website, visitors can sign-up for periodic updates by email to keep track of job openings and internship opportunities.

European Union Vacancies

Students interested in a career in the European Union or the United Nations should consider the website EU Vacancies (<http://www.euvacancies.net/>). This career portal site is updated daily, with recruitment positions in Brussels. The site also lists special international vacancies and specializes in listing of jobs with law firms, NGOs, lobbies and EU Institutions which are currently offering jobs in Brussels. Anyone considering a career involved with the EU or United Nations can subscribe to the website's free email updates.

Internet Career Portal: America's Career InfoNet

America's Career InfoNet is a new internet portal to help students identify options and plan their education and career. The site also provides up-to-date information on occupation trends, industry information, and job availability by locale. In addition, the portal offers an online career coach to help individuals from simple inquiry and planning to application and transition. Regardless of your status, Career InfoNet is a powerful tool for career planning:

www.careerinfonet.org