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GPIS/CRGS News

Welcome to all students

GPIS welcomes back all returning students for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Additionally, the Graduate Program in International Studies is pleased to have several new students join the program.

Graduate Society for International Studies

The Graduate Society for International Studies will be planning and hosting several events for students in GPIS this semester. Academic, career, and social events will take place throughout the semester and students are urged to participate.

The GSIS Officers for Fall 2008:

John Applebaugh, President
Kim Van Dyke, Vice President
Shelia Ryan, Secretary/Treasurer
Haci "Ozzy" Gunduz, Development
Mike Marin, Social Activities

Students can contact John

(jappleba@odu.edu) for more information.

Summary of Events:

Professor Shimon Shetreet, *The Contemporary Debate on the Judiciary in Israeli Society*, Thursday September 11, 2008.

What's at Stake NOW? Event at Virginia Wesleyan University, Thursday September 11, 2008

As We Forgive, Film Screening, Friday/Saturday September 19-20, 2008

Eva Svobodova Dissertation Defense, Friday September 26, 2008 at 10:00 AM in 7009 BAL.

Sonja Sray Dissertation Defense, Friday September 26, 2008 at 1:00 PM in 7009 BAL.

Arts & Letters Thesis Workshop, Tuesday September 30, 2008 at 12:30 PM, registration required.

Upcoming Deadlines:

- Sept. 25, 2008: Internship Applications for Joint Forces Staff College

Future Deadlines:

- Oct. 10, 2008: Registration for MA Comprehensive Exams
- Oct. 17, 2008: Orientation for MA Comprehensive Exams
- Oct. 24, 2008: PhD Dissertations due in Dean's Office
- Oct. 31, 2008: MA Theses due in Dean's Office
- Oct. 31, 2008: Application for World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship
- November, 2008: Application Graduate Research Fellowship Program
- Nov. 1, 2008: Submissions Mark and Ruth Luckens International Prize



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GPIS Associate Director: Professor Angelica Huizar

From: Dr. Regina Karp, Director, GPIS

I am delighted to introduce to you Professor Angelica Huizar, Associate Director of GPIS. Professor Huizar joins us with great professional enthusiasm and commitment to International Studies. She is delighted to work with GPIS students and faculty and is looking forward to advising students, teaching courses in GPIS, working with me toward developing a program in International Cultural Studies and seeing what else can be done to make this graduate experience for both Master and Doctoral students a productive and stimulating experience.

With immediate effect, Dr. Huizar will assume responsibility for all student affairs. Please direct your inquiries and queries to her at ahuizar@odu.edu. She welcomes your questions, suggestions or concerns. I am confident that after a brief transition period, Dr. Huizar will lead this critical part of GPIS efficiently and effectively.

Angelica J. Huizar earned her bachelor degrees in Spanish and Comparative Literature from UC Irvine. She attended graduate studies in Comparative Literature at the University of Oregon then transferred to Arizona State University where she received her Masters in Spanish with a focus on Latin American Theater and a Minor in Cultural Studies. Upon graduation she traveled to Brazil where she worked, learned Portuguese and lived in the culture for about a year. She received her doctoral degree in Spanish with a Minor in Gender Studies from UC Irvine.

At ODU she advised and directed the Latin American Studies Program until to her most recent promotion in the Graduate Program in International Studies as Associate Director. Since 2003 she has served as Assistant Professor at ODU and taught Latin American culture and civilization, surveys on Latin American literature, seminars on Latin American poetry and performance, Latin American theater, and Latino/a literature. Her most recent research interests center on digital poetics and aesthetics as a cultural study of the effects of globalization. An expert in avant-garde

Latin American poetics, she has authored more than thirteen refereed publications and more than forty professional conference papers in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Her book entitled, *Beyond the Page: Latin American Poetry from the Calligramme to the Virtual* (Academica Press, 2008), focuses on the aesthetic and theoretical relationships between art, music, sound, visual typography and the word in avant-garde poetry including digital poetics of Mexico, Uruguay, Chile, Peru and Brazil. In addition to her position at ODU, Dr. Huizar volunteers her time serving on the Advisory Board for the Virginia Latino Higher Education Network (VALHEN) and as Mentor in Symposiums sponsored by the Hispanic College Fund.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Huizar, our new Associate Director. Her contributions will strengthen GPIS and enable us to continue developing graduate education in International Studies at Old Dominion University.

Together, we wish you a most successful semester and a rewarding educational experience throughout your study with GPIS!

Upcoming Doctoral Dissertation Defenses

Eva Svobodova will defend her dissertation entitled *Institutional Conditionality and States: The Czech and Slovak Accession to the EU* on Friday September 26, 2008 at 10 AM in 7009 BAL.

Sonja Sray will defend her dissertation entitled *Democratic Failure: Tracking the Ebb of Democracy's Flow, 1800-2006*, on Friday September 26, 2008 at 1 PM in 7009 BAL.

Comprehensive Exam Dates and Deadlines

Please be advised of the following information regarding Comprehensive Exams:

MA Registration Deadline - Oct. 10, 2008

MA Exam Orientation - Oct. 17, 2008 at 4 PM in 7009 BAL

PhD Registration Deadline - Nov. 7, 2008

MA Comp Exams - Nov. 14, 2008 in BAL 2027 at 9 AM

PhD Exam Orientation - Nov. 14, 2008 at 4 PM in 7009 BAL

PhD Comp Exams - Jan. 9 & 12, 2008 in BAL 2027 at 9 AM

Around Campus

Institute for Jewish Studies and Interfaith Understanding Luncheon

In remembrance of the 7th anniversary of 9/11 and as part of our community outreach effort, the Institute for Jewish Studies and Interfaith Understanding invites you to join us for a luncheon featuring:

Professor Shimon Shetreet, Professor of Law, Hebrew University, Former Israeli Cabinet Minister speaking on *The Contemporary Debate on the Judiciary in Israeli Society*

Thursday, September 11 at 1:00 p.m.
Kaufman and Canoles
150 West Main Street, 21st floor
Norfolk, VA

The luncheon talk is aimed at those interested in international law and the judiciary. Professor Shetreet is currently a Professor of Law at Hebrew University, Jerusalem and has held several cabinet position in the governments of Prime Ministers Itzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres.

Limited tickets are still available. The cost for the luncheon is \$30. If you are interested, please RSVP to Kelly Duggins at kduggins@odu.edu. If you have any questions or would like further information please do not hesitate to contact Maria Hametz mhametz@odu.edu or Kelly Duggins at kduggins@odu.edu.

Arts & Letters Dissertation/Thesis Workshops

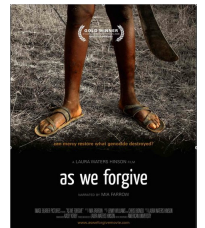
Students planning to complete a thesis or dissertation are advised to attend one of the College workshops for dissertation/thesis. These workshops are presented by Alicia DeFonzo and Cathleen Rhodes, Arts & Letters Style Editors. Upcoming workshops:

- Tuesday, Sept. 30 12:30 - 1:30 PM (MA)
- Thursday, October 2 12:30 - 1:30 PM (PhD)
- Friday, October 3 3:00 - 4:30 PM (MA/PhD)

To register contact Angelia Riddick in BAL 9042, 683-4338 or ariddick@odu.edu

Documentary Film on Rwanda, Public Screening

The Department of Women's Studies invites the public to a local screening of *As We Forgive*, winner of the 2008 Gold Student Academy Awards for Best Documentary.



Through the lives of two women who survived Rwanda's genocide, this documentary explores central questions of reconciliation, justice and peacebuilding.

In anticipation of this event, Cathy Lewis of WHRO's HearSay will interview filmmaker Laura Waters Hinson today at 12:00. <http://www.whro.com/home/publicradio/whrv/localprogramming/hearsay/>

There will be two campus/community showings:
Friday, September 19, 5:00 pm at MGB 102
Saturday, September 20, 12:30 pm at The Naro,
1507 Colley Avenue

Laura Waters Hinson, the filmmaker, will also be present at both screenings to discuss her work.

For more information on the film, visit www.asweforgivemovie.com or contact the Department of Women's Studies at 683.3823.





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Library News

New Data Collection: ICPSR

The library is happy to announce the availability of ICPSR (The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research). ICPSR encourages and facilitates research and instruction in the social sciences and related areas by acquiring, developing, archiving, and disseminating data and documentation relevant to a wide spectrum of disciplines. ICPSR provides numeric raw data for countless topics as well as bibliographies of reports and other publications based on that data.

Access ICPSR from the library's "Databases" page or through the library's online catalog. If you have any questions, contact Judy Trump jtrump@odu.edu.

New Service: IM a Librarian

That's Instant Message! The Reference & Research Services Department is trying out a new chat service intended for use by ODU students, faculty and staff. In general, chat users can ask for help searching the library catalog, assistance selecting and searching appropriate databases, information about the library and its services, help accessing library resources from off-campus. Questions that are more complicated may be referred to other services such as Ask-a-Librarian (email) or Research Consultations (in person). Keep in mind that patrons at the Reference Desk have priority over IM users, who are taken in a first-come-first-served order.

During our trial period, the IM service will be available Monday-Thursday 2-8 PM, Friday 2-6 PM. If you already use AIM, Yahoo Instant Messenger, GoogleTalk or MSN Messenger, you can contact us by sending your IM to the screen name "askodulib." If you don't normally chat, go to the "IM a Librarian" link from the library's home page under "Research Assistance & Instruction" and enter your question in the MEEBO box.

BLT (Brief Library Tour) - Starting This Week

The library will offer instructional tours during the first two weeks of September. Designed for individuals, not whole classes, these 30-minute tours begin from the lobby of Perry Library and are led by reference librarians.

Next week's BLTs are on September 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 and will begin at 11:00AM. There is no need to register; just meet by the poster.

Graduate Student Workshop: Put The Library To Work For You!

Are you a grad research or teaching assistant? Learn how to obtain materials requested by your professor, obtain materials not owned by the library, charge photocopying to the department or to faculty grants, borrow materials in your professor's name, place materials on course reserves, and contact the library for the help you need.

Choose to attend on Saturday, September 6, 10:00-11:30 AM in Perry Library, Room 163. Registration is required. To register, contact Kathryn Boone at kboone@odu.edu or 683-4182.

Tool Time on Tuesday: Wonders Of Worldcat

Plan to attend our first "Tool Time on Tuesday" next Tuesday Sept. 9 in Perry Library, Room 151, 12:15-1:00 PM. Bring your lunch and learn about "The Wonders of WorldCat" which offers millions of items available to borrow. See how easily it works with our Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery Services. For more information, contact Edward Wladas at ewladas@odu.edu.

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Announcements

Issue Briefs for Model UN High School Conference

The ODU Model UN Society is starting preparations for our annual high school Model UN Conference (ODUMUNC), February 11-14, 2009. To help strengthen the quality of our work, Model UN is turning to GPIS for help with conference Issue Briefs. This is an opportunity to get involved with the university's model UN program.

The audience for Issue Briefs is the roughly 800 high school students and their social studies teachers who attend our high school conference in February. Issue Briefs are designed to introduce high school students to an issue and help them as they prepare as national diplomats in this UN simulation. In addition to the general outline below, Model UN Society has examples to follow and stand ready to help advise.

Standard Outline:

- Introduction: main elements of the issue.
- History or background.
- Key factors.
- Current situation.
- Role of the United Nations.
- Country positions: brief review of basic divisions.

Audience: High school students

Length: roughly 1500 to 2000 words.

Bibliography: important documents, useful articles, reports and websites (no more than one page).

Attribution: authorship of Issue Briefs will be acknowledged.

Possible topics include: International Security, International Law, Disarmament, Humanitarian and Public Health Issues, etc.

The finished briefs are needed October 1st and a meeting of those interested will be held prior to that to coordinate and assist contributors. Anyone interested in assisting with this important project should contact Professor Aaron Karp at akarp@odu.edu.

NOW event on Virginia Wesleyan campus

What's At Stake NOW?

Issues Impacting Women in Election 2008.

National Organization for Women (NOW) Virginia Chapter President, Marj Singer will discuss national, state and local issues in the upcoming election, 7pm Thursday, September 11.

Sponsored by: Women and Gender Studies, Women's Resource Office and the Women's Forum

For more information contact: Sharon Payne, 455-3413, spayne@vwc.edu

Mark and Ruth Luckens International Prize in Jewish Thought, 2009

The University of Kentucky is pleased to sponsor the Mark and Ruth Luckens International Prize in Jewish Thought. The Luckens Prize, commemorating a generous gift by the late Dr. Mark M. Luckens to the University, is administered, judged, and awarded by faculty at the University of Kentucky. The Prize is awarded annually for an essay in the field of Jewish thought by a graduate student or recent PhD or someone of equivalent status.

General details of the competition are that the essay should be original and unpublished, and of around 5000 words. Essays are welcome in a variety of languages. The winner will receive a cash award of \$1000 and is expected to deliver a lecture based on the essay on campus during the Spring Semester 2009 for which travel and ground expenses shall be provided. The lecture should be given in English.

Essays are due no later than **November 1, 2008**. The result of the competition will be announced no later than January 15 2009.

Any inquiries should be directed to Oliver Leaman. Essays should be directed to him as either an email attachment or in paper form, or both.

Email: oliver.leaman@uky.edu



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Jobs and Internships

Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)

The National Science Foundation aims to ensure the vitality of the human resource base of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in the United States and to reinforce its diversity by offering approximately 900-1,600 graduate fellowships in this competition pending availability of funds. The Graduate Research Fellowship provides three years of support for graduate study leading to research-based masters or doctoral degrees and is intended for students who are in the early stages of their graduate study. The Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) invests in graduate education for a cadre of diverse individuals who demonstrate their potential to successfully complete graduate degree programs in disciplines relevant to the mission of the National Science Foundation. Deadline: November 2008. Contact R. Lee Furr at rfurr@odu.edu for more information.

Internships at Joint Forces Staff College

The Joint Forces Staff College has identified its internship requirements for the Fall 2008 semester. The positions for the Fall semester run from 29 September - 26 November 2008. Resumes may be submitted until 25 September 2008.

Graduate and undergraduate interns from local colleges and universities typically work at JFSC for one semester, performing various duties that satisfy college needs and provide valuable experience to the interns. Some receive college credit; others are motivated by the experience they gain.

Many interns have served as research assistants in support of the core curriculum, focus studies (electives), and our Wargaming model. Others have worked in technical areas, where their current skills have proven invaluable in duties such as programming, PC troubleshooting, and database administration. If you are interested in receiving descriptions of the open positions please contact JoAnne Hakala-Applebaugh at jhakala@odu.edu.

Boren Fellowships

Boren Fellowships provide up to \$30,000 to U.S. graduate students to add an important international and language component to their graduate education through specialization in area study, language study, or increased language proficiency. Boren Fellowships support study and research in areas of the world that are critical to U.S. interest, including Africa, Asia, Central & Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin American, and the Middle East. The countries of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded.

Fellowships enable both masters and doctoral level students representing a broad range of academic and professional disciplines to add a significant language and international dimension to their curricula. Boren Fellows study less commonly taught languages, including but not limited to Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Portugese, Russian and Swahili. Funding is available for both domestic and overseas support.

http://www.borenawards.org/boren_fellowship

Study In Belgium: Fellowships

The Belgian Embassy is offering Fellowships to study and/or research at universities, conservatories of music, or art academies recognized by the Flemish Community. The fellowships are in the following fields: art, music, humanities, social and political sciences, law, economics, sciences and medicine.

The decision to grant a fellowship is made by the Ministry of the Flemish Community after consultation with the prospective host institution.

<http://www.diplobel.org/USA/StudyingBelgium/Fellowships.asp>

Jobs and Internships, cont.

World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship

The Smith Richardson Foundation is pleased to announce a new annual grant competition to support Ph.D. dissertation research on American foreign policy, international relations, international security, strategic studies, area studies, and diplomatic and military history.

The fellowship's objective is to support the research and writing of policy-relevant dissertations through funding of fieldwork, archival research, and language training. In evaluating applications, the Foundation will accord reference to those projects that could directly inform U.S. policy debates and thinking, rather than dissertations that are principally focused on abstract theory or debates within a scholarly discipline.

The application, and all supporting materials (including the recommendation letter), must be submitted by October 31, 2008. Applicants will be notified of the Foundation's decision by January 30, 2009. The grant funds must be used during the 2009 calendar year and may not be deferred. Each grant will be paid directly to, and will be administered by, the academic institution at which the candidate is enrolled.

http://www.srf.org/grants/world_politics.php

Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar Fellowship

The Jennings Randolph (JR) Program for International Peace awards nonresidential Peace Scholar Dissertation Fellowships to students at U.S. universities who are writing doctoral dissertations on topics related to peace, conflict, and international security. Each year the program awards approximately ten Peace Scholar Fellowships. Fellowships last for 12 months starting in September. Fellowships are open to citizens of any country and Dissertation projects in all disciplines are welcome. Deadline: January 5, 2009

<http://www.usip.org/fellows/scholars.html>

Ongoing Announcements

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>

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

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