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Coffee with a Professor: Dr. Shimon Shetreet

The **Graduate Society of International Studies** offers a unique opportunity **2 p.m. Wed., Nov. 4** at the Starbucks University Village to engage in a fascinating conversation with **Prof. Shimon Shetreet**, a former cabinet member of the Israeli government and law professor at Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Between 1988 and 1996, Shetreet served as a member of the Knesset, the Israeli Parliament. He held several cabinet member positions in the governments of Prime Ministers Itzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres, including minister of economy and planning, minister of science and technology, and minister of religious affairs. He also served as the senior deputy mayor of Jerusalem under Mayor Ehud Olmert.

Shetreet is the Dragas Distinguished Visiting Professor in International Studies at ODU. He was born in Morocco and immigrated to Israel as a child.



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Important Dates

November

4: *Coffee with a Professor: Dr. Shimon Shetreet*

6: *MA Comprehensive Exam; PhD Comp. Exam Deadline to register*

Nov. 9 *Orientation for PhD Comp Exam Noon - 1 p.m.*

November

2-6 & 9-13: *Student Advising Period*

9: *Fall of the Wall Roundtable*

21: *VPSA Conference in Norfolk*

The many faces of Fulbright

Omar Hawthorne first fell in love with traveling and in particular to Africa, when she accompanied her husband to a two-year stay in Botswana where he worked for the local government. For Omar, this was also when she saw firsthand the effect of HIV and Aids on a community.

"It's a daily reality there," she said. Omar said she was surprised by the political stability and lack of street demonstrations in Botswana, in particular compared to her own home country, Jamaica.

"During the two years, there was not a single protest," said Omar, the first-born of five children. "In Jamaica, we have protests all the time."

During her stay she was able, for example, to travel to Mozambique and to observe the breathtaking beauty of the African landscape. But she also crossed into Zimbabwe, the former bread basket of Africa, today struggling with political instability and a collapsed economy marred by inflation, high unemployment, and food shortages.

"I still have a 10 Billion note at home," she said. "This shows you how fast a country can fall from a stable to a developing country." The 28-year-old, who holds a B.A. in History and International Relations and Master's Degree in Government and International Relations, wants to expand her studies to include such cutting edge fields like simulation and modeling and artificial intelligence.

"It's fascinating to see what kind of work you can create," she said. Traveling to other countries and witnessing poverty such as in African townships not only expanded her horizon, but opened her up to "be more sensible to other people's issues" and it made her aware "of what is happening in the world," she said. Omar has big dreams and ambitions and could see herself one day as a member of the Jamaican government, she said.

"I think people should return to their home country and contribute to the development and growth of their country," she said. "I would like to see more economic stability in Jamaica. I want to see a better Jamaica."



Brazilian-born **Renata Giannini** initially had planned to study medicine and explore the many complexities of the human body. But then she found herself more drawn to human interaction and foreign countries than biological functions and bodily fluids. Switching to International Studies became an easy change of heart.

"I decided I like to study countries more than human bodies," said Renata, laughing. Renata said she foremost wants to understand societies and their integrate interactions. The 25-year-old, born in Rio

de Janeiro, finds herself drawn to the humanitarian field. She worked up until recently for a non—gov-



ernmental agency in Buenos Aires with which she travelled extensively, for example, Bolivia, Barbados, Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana. Renata also undertook in-depth studies about defense issues in Caribbean countries and on Latin America military and police women's role in conflict and peace operations. She hopes to channel her curiosity toward "how women can better participate in the peace missions as a whole," she said. In her future research, Renata said she is very interested in exploring the large number of Latin American military personnel deployed as UN Peace Keepers, for example, to Haiti. "I want to find out why they are getting so involved and which doctrine is being applied in their trainings," she said.

Currently, she is focusing her research on looking into integrated humanitarian peace missions, which include a myriad of leading agencies and groups such as the military, governments, non-profits and grassroots volunteers. Ten or so years from now Renata said she could see herself working for the United Nations, delving into the many global humanitarian efforts. "I want to help to make a difference," she said. "I don't want to contribute to the status quo. I want to contribute to change."

News and Notes cont'd

Pace and Collaborative Development Network is a free professional and academic networking site (with over 9830 members from around the world) to foster dialogue and sharing of resources in international development, conflict resolution, gender mainstreaming, human rights, social entrepreneurship and related fields. The site is a terrific networking tool where members can find local and international partners and practitioners, share resources, read guides to careers, scholarships, internships, funding, and IT resources in the field, and exchange best practices. Discussion topics and personal blogs can be posted. The site also has a video section where members can access and view videos related to the field. For further information, please visit the Peace and Collaborative Development Network <http://www.internationalpeaceandconflict.org/>

"A Fulbright Scholar Speaks on Oldrich Havlicek and Chen Peilu in Shanghai, 1955-1958;" Reflections from **Dr. Austin Jersild** on his return from research abroad. This talk will take place 7:00 – 8:00 pm TODAY, Monday Nov. 2 in the Burgess Room (BAL 9042). Students & faculty are invited. Refreshments will be served.



The Library offers a **Grad Student Workshop** on learning **how to Use EndNote** with Library Databases to Save Time! 10 - 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, Perry Library, Room 163, Learn how to collect citations from the library's databases and export them into EndNote, a powerful tool for organizing and managing bibliographic citations. Both desktop and Web versions will be included. Bringing your own laptop would be very helpful. If you do bring a laptop, we ask that you have EndNote downloaded to it already. Registration is required. **Register at <http://www.lib.odu.edu/libinfo/contact/classregister2.php>**. For more information, contact Miriam Bridges at mbridges@odu.edu or 683-4169.

New Cultural Studies PhD and MA Track

The International Cultural Studies concentration is an interdisciplinary approach to the study of culture and society that responds to and builds upon, critical analyses of traditional disciplines and epistemologies as well as upon developments specific to studies that have emerged over the last thirty years. Key to the International Cultural Studies approach is the perception that language, gender, race, sexuality, nationality, and class organize identities, complex social relations and cultural objects. Also key is the assumption that the study of culture in all of its complexity requires cross-disciplinary work. The goal of the International Cultural Studies track is to offer challenging graduate study by preparing students to interpret cultural products and practices in diverse environments media and fields. Students will be asked to research into the creation, dissemination, and reception of these products and practices in their own area or region of interest. The result: students will be able to better understand and work with culturally diverse populations, both domestically and internationally. For more information, please visit: <http://al.odu.edu/gpis/IntCultStudies.shtml>



Graduate Student Paper Competition

New Political Economy - £500 prize

New Political Economy (www.tandf.co.uk/journals/CNPE) is inviting submissions to the 2009/10 Graduate Student Prize Paper Competition. We welcome submissions from graduate students working across the field of political economy, from all relevant disciplinary backgrounds and on any topic consistent with the overall aims and remit of the journal. The prize is £500 (GB sterling) and publication of the paper in New Political Economy. For a pdf file of the poster and full terms and conditions of the competition please see the following link: www.tandf.co.uk/journals/pdf/competitions/cnpe.pdf. Symposium: The 'British School' of International Political Economy, Selected articles now FREE online access. The symposium on the so-called 'British school' of international political economy builds on the debate that has recently emerged around Benjamin J. Cohen's International Political Economy: An Intellectual History. **To see the table of contents for the Symposium and to view the free access articles please see the following link: www.informaworld.com/smp/**

JOBS, FELLOWSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

The **Institute for Women's Policy Research** in Washington, DC is looking for a **Program Assistant** to provide administrative assistance for its program activities. The position is available immediately and will remain open until filled. The Program Assistant will serve as administrative assistant to the Executive Director, including maintaining calendar, scheduling travel, filing, copying, preparing for meetings and presentations, and contributing to literature reviews. The Assistant will also perform a variety of administrative support tasks for the Institute as a whole, including providing basic computer support and troubleshooting computer needs for the 15-person Institute staff, and maintaining information resources.

Skills and Qualifications: Candidates should have a Bachelor's degree, an interest in women's issues, previous office work experience and excellent computer skills. Candidates should also demonstrate keen attention to detail, excellent writing and interpersonal skills, and the ability to multi-task and juggle diverse projects and deadlines. **To Apply:** Please mail or email a cover letter, resume, three to five page writing sample, and contact information for three references to: iwpr@iwpr.org or Program Assistant Search, Institute for Women's Policy Research, 1707 L Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, D.C. 20036. No phone calls please. **For more information, please visit:** <http://www.iwpr.org/About/employment.htm#staff>

"Making a Difference:" Carnegie Council Student Competition on Sustainability

The **Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs** announces a student competition for contestants to submit an essay or a short YouTube clip. They may choose to address the issues in one or all of the following five Global Ethics Corner segments. (Please note that each segment has links to the audio and text): **Oceans, Garbage, and Food; Climate Protectionism and Competitiveness; Who Pays for Global Warming? • Forest Preservation, Ecological Intervention.**

**Competition
Deadline:
Dec. 31, 2009**

HOW TO ENTER: Essay: Please e-mail your entries to: studentcontest@cceia.org. Please include your full name, address, email, age, and student affiliation. Please state which GEC you are addressing. Video: You can find all the Global Ethics Corner segments at <http://www.youtube.com/carnegienetwork>. Please upload your entry (with your name on it) as a response to one of the five listed above. **Please also send a separate email to studentcontest@cceia.org with your full name, address, email, age, and student affiliation.** If your entry addresses more than one GEC segment, please say so in your email. Non-students are automatically disqualified.

For more information, please visit:
www.cceia.org



Economics/Asia-Related Internship in Washington, DC

The **Korea Economic Institute (KEI)** is looking for undergraduate or graduate students with a background in political science and/or economics, as well as an interest in Asia-Pacific issues (especially Korea) for its internship program. We offer competitive candidates a unique internship opportunity to be integrally involved in the inner workings of an international government policy institute. **Applications are being accepted for the Spring 2010 semester until November 15.** At KEI, interns gain experience in the areas of office management, event planning, data collection, economic analysis, and professional writing development.

How to Apply: Please submit a cover letter, resume, application and a brief writing sample to Sarah Howe by email, fax, or mail. The deadline for Spring 2010 is November 15. For materials or more information, visit our website at <http://www.keia.org/internships.php>. Internship Contact: Sarah Howe, Associate Director for Programs, Korea Economic Institute, 1800 K Street NW Suite 1010 Washington, DC 20006, E-mail: sh@keia.org.

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New Horizons in International Security: An Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference in Security Studies at the **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign April 9-10, 2010**. This conference seeks to bring together graduate students from a variety of disciplines who specialize in topics related to war, peace, and all aspects of international security. International security is interpreted broadly here to include its physical and natural science dimensions such as engineering, computer science, and biology. Submissions from graduate students with backgrounds in the technological aspects of international security, as well as from students in the social sciences and humanities are strongly encouraged. **The conference is an initiative of the Program in Arms Control, Disarmament, and International Security (ACDIS) at the University of Illinois.** Possible paper topics include, but are not limited to: Nuclear proliferation and arms control, Nuclear test verification issues, Missile defense systems, Biological threat reduction, Food security issues, Energy security and climate change. **Please submit a paper abstract of no more than 250 words as an email attachment to acdis.conference@gmail.com no later than January 15th, 2010**, as well as a brief (up to 150 words) biographical statement, outlining your discipline, departmental/university affiliation, stage in degree program, and any noteworthy accomplishments such as fellowships or publications. **Acceptance notifications will be emailed by February 15th, 2010.** Thanks to support from the University of Illinois Graduate College Focal Point program, travel subsidies will be awarded to all non-University of Illinois presenters.

The LINK Foundation Fellowship in *Advanced Simulation and Training*

The Link Foundation Fellowship in Advanced Simulation and Training is a legacy of Edwin Link the developer of the first ground-based flight simulator and of many other simulators and simulator technologies that followed. **The Fellowship is a \$25,000 award and is given to qualified doctoral candidates.** Up to five fellowships are given each year. A total of 82 fellowships have been awarded since 1990. Preference is given to proposals dealing directly with simulation and training and which explore ideas not yet fully tested. While in the past most fellowships have come from Engineering and Computer Science Departments, applicants from other disciplines with innovative simulation modeling and training ideas are encouraged to apply. **ELIGIBILITY:** Applicants should be working full-time toward a degree in an established doctoral program at a U.S. or Canadian institution. The applicant should have advanced to candidacy and the proposed research should be part of the Ph.D. dissertation requirement. **APPLICATION DUE DATE: January 16, 2010**. www.ist.ucf.edu/link_foundation.htm.

Shanghai World Expo 2010: U.S. Student Ambassadors Internship Program - Apply by NOVEMBER 15

Students have the opportunity to be a part of this unique experience through the Student Ambassadors Internship Program, a partnership between the USA Pavilion and the University of Southern California's U.S.-China Institute. This program recruits and trains volunteer students to serve as guides and national representatives for the United States at the 2010 World Expo in Shanghai. The program provides students with: The internship program is unpaid. However, the USA Pavilion will cover: Roundtrip airfare to Shanghai, Housing, Stipend to cover meals and local transportation to and from the Expo site.

**DEADLINE:
NOVEMBER 15, 2009**

Program Dates and Times: The World Expo will run from May 1 through October 31, 2010. Students will serve as guides for a period of 3 months, with an additional 2 weeks of training prior to starting the assignment. Students can apply for one or both periods but can only be selected for one period. The two periods are:

- **April 15 – July 31**
- **July 16 – October 31**

To apply, complete the online application form <<http://china.usc.edu/register>> (<http://china.usc.edu/register>). For more information, contact the USC U.S.-China Institute at USC U.S.-China Institute, 3535 S. Figueroa St., FIG 202, Los Angeles, CA 90089-1262, **Visit: expo2010@usc.edu or**

Program News

Not Lost in Translation

For all students:

The Foreign Language information letter has been updated AND please note **effective Fall 2009 all new students (both MA and PhD) will need to submit a written plan (by the end of their first semester at ODU) of how they will fulfill their language requirement.** The GPIS Program would like to see students to satisfy the Foreign Language Requirement (FLR) early in their graduate career. Mastercandidates may complete their language requirement either before or after their Comprehensive Exams, but must pass before their graduate tenure expires (MA: 6; PhD: 8). Extension of graduate tenure will only be considered for exceptional circumstances; documentation will be required. It is highly recommended that the FLR be satisfied before taking the Comprehensive Exams. Ph.D. candidates must fulfill the FLR before scheduling the Comprehensive Examination. International students with a mother tongue other than English may receive a waiver from the Foreign Languages Department Chair provided they submit documentation (high school diploma, for example) that demonstrates aptitude in reading, writing, speaking and listening. In order to meet the language requirement, all Master and Doctoral candidates should demonstrate language proficiency at the third-year college level, equivalent to the ACTFL guidelines to "Intermediate High" reading level.

Through Sojourner's Eyes:

Images of South Africa 2009

The Woman's Studies Department invites everyone **Saturday, Nov. 7 to the ODU Virginia Beach Higher Education Center, 1881 University Dr., Virginia Beach**, to a reception for **Through Sojourner's Eyes: Images of South Africa 2009**. This exhibition features photographs of the collective experience of 10 ODU study abroad students, who traveled to South Africa in May 2009. In addition to the reception, the department will hold a **silent auction of the photographs** with the proceeds from the auction benefitting various organizations in Cape Town that the students have personally chosen. This event is free of charge and open to the public so please grab a friend and come out to support our student's work in South Africa:

Schedule:

2-3:00 pm- Discussion of service learning featuring students who traveled to South Africa

3-4:30 pm Reception and silent auction

For more information, please call 368-4100 or visit www.odu.edu/vbhec

How did you experience the Fall of the Wall?

Mark your calendars and join: The GPIS Student Society will host a Roundtable Discussion: **20th Anniversary of the Fall of the Wall in Berlin, Germany**, Monday, Nov 9, Time & Location TBD.



The PHD comprehensive exam is scheduled
9 am - 3 pm Jan. 8 and Jan. 11, 2010
(students whose first language is not English will have the option of taking one additional hour)
Deadline to register for PhD Comp. Exam: Nov. 6, 2009.

You must meet with Dr. Huizar to complete the application process.

PhD Comp Orientation (mandatory)
Noon - 1 p.m., Nov. 9, 2009 BAL 7009

GPIS Course Schedule SPRING 2010

Monday

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 702/802
CRN 24281/24283
Collective Security
(Req Conflict Track)
Dr. Regina Karp
SPONG 102

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 713/813
CRN 23206/23207
Global Political
Economy
(Req IPE Track)
Dr. David Earnest
BAL 2061

7:10-9:50 pm
IS 722/822
CRN 28356/28360
Democracy & IR
Dr. Kurt Gaubatz
BAL 2066

Tuesday

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 795/895
CRN 28379/28370
Cultural Geography
cross-listed
GEOG 695
Dr. Jonathan Lieb
BAL 7009

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 620 CRN 22387
Advanced Research
Methods
(Required PhD Core)
Dr. Kurt Gaubatz
BAL 2060

7:10-9:50 pm
IS 720/820
CRN 22657/22658
Research Seminar:
Global Security
Dr. Regina Karp
BAL 2064

7:10-9:50 pm
IS 795 CRN 29153
Topics in International
Studies
cross-listed HIST 795
Dr. Robert Holden
BAL 1003

Wednesday

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 716/816 CRN
23551/23553
Comparative Studies
cross-listed
(Req Comparative
Studies)
Dr. Jie Chen
BAL 7009

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 760/860 CRN
28361/28363
International Cultural
Studies
(Req Cultural Studies)
Dr. Angelica Huizar
CONST 2099

7:10-9:50 pm
IS 705/805 CRN
22422/22426
The Euro-Atlantic
Community
Dr. Simon Serfaty
BAL 2069

7:10-9:50 pm
IS 795/895 CRN
24748/24751
International Health
cross-listed HLSC
795/895
Dr. Burden Lundgren
HLTH 3014

7:10-9:50 pm
ECON 650
CRN 21441
International Economics
Dr. David Selover
CONST 1055

Thursday

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 895
CRN 28384
Advanced Seminar
International
Studies
(PhD Students
Only)
Dr. Simon Serfaty
BAL 7009

4:20-7:00 pm
IS 795/895 CRN
24746/24747
Gender & Globalization
cross-listed
WMST 795
Dr. Jennifer Fish
ED 206

7:10-9:50 pm
IS 795/895 CRN
29154/29165
Game Theory
Dr. Jesse Richman
BAL 1003

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