

Davis Projects for Peace to combat war with education

Bailey Ulbricht '15, a senior political science and international relations major, was recently awarded a prestigious Davis Projects for Peace Grant from the Davis United World Scholars.

Ulbricht's project: "Combating War with Education: Expanding Educational Opportunities for Syrian Youth," centers around facilitating peace in an area that has been in constant struggle with violence and war. With the grant, Ulbricht plans to provide Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) instruction and resources for college-aged Syrian refugee students in Reyhanli, Turkey. This program would expand educational opportunities for Syrian students and provide alternatives to joining violent factions. Ulbricht will collaborate with the Reyhanli Center, which is currently the only free test-prep center in southern Turkey.

Ulbricht will also launch a second test-prep center in the area and will collaborate with teachers in clinics to improve their resources. Ulbricht hopes to reach an extensive network of 1,200 students and ensure infrastructural sustainability of the program before her project ends. In addition to her collaboration and formation of the new teaching center, Ulbricht will rely on the program Paper



Ulbricht teaching the English alphabet with puzzle letters to Syrian refugee children

Airplanes, a Skype tutoring program that she founded and continues to manage. Paper Airplanes will provide the Syrian refugees in the teaching centers with additional English instruction after Ulbricht's program ends.

Ulbricht credits two prior visits to the Reyhanli Center for inspiring her to pursue the project. She first visited in June 2013, and returned again in December 2014 to conduct research for her comprehensive senior project.
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Greetings from the Chair



Greg Marfleet

It's good to try new things. Expanding your horizons, encountering new people and places, and testing yourself with new challenges is good for the mind, body and soul. Of course, this is one of the main reasons to attend college—to learn and grow intellectually and socially through the people we talk to, the things we read and the projects we undertake. It turns out that what's good for college students is also good for college academic departments.

Last year our faculty and students enjoyed a range of new experiences. First we welcomed a new colleague in Professor Hicham Bou Nassif. Hicham significantly broadened our curricular horizons by offering much anticipated (and highly popular) courses in topics related to the Middle East, authoritarianism, and terrorism. As events have unfolded in that region, students and professors alike have been fortunate to engage him in conversation and benefit from his insights and analyses. I'm planning to query him about the Iran treaty when he's back from his field work and I can catch him in Willis Hall.

We visited some new places, including some that hadn't been visited by American students in a very long time. Professor Tun Myint's inaugural, path breaking, off-campus studies program in Myanmar and Thailand explored the social, economic and ecological dimensions of Southeast Asia, taking students to bustling cities and remote farming villages where they were presented with some really new challenges (like harvesting crops and tending livestock). The photographs from the trip are stunning. I bet you didn't anticipate seeing an elephant in a political science newsletter without the rest of the GOP logo. So, where are the donkeys?

And, we tried some new things. Less exotic, but nevertheless a fun experience, was my opportunity to teach one of the first ever night classes at Carleton through the Mellon Broadening the Bridge grant. Arranged in the evening to allow for joint enrollment of Carls and Oles, 12 students from each of the two campuses collaborated in research teams on projects that led to formal research presentations at the Midwest Political Science Association meeting in Chicago in April. They also made some new great friends across the river.

Of course, it wasn't just the faculty who were acting out of the ordinary. In fact, compared to our students we're pretty tame.
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Davis Projects for Peace (cont.)



The barren streets of Rehanli (Photo: Bailey Ulbricht)

"When I was there I befriended a lot of college-aged Syrians who were unable to attend a university because they didn't have the resources to take the TOEFL exam, which is required for entry into a university. When I returned from Turkey I started the program Paper Airplanes, but I wanted to do something more on the ground and firmly establish Paper Airplanes in ESL tutoring centers."

Ulbricht wanted to help college-aged Syrians and, in the spirit of the Projects for Peace program goals, she is attempting to provide alternatives to violence for Syrian refugees: "If young men aren't provided with educational alternatives, they're going to fight. The goal of my program is to diminish violence and provide opportunities for young Syrian refugees outside of fighting." Ulbricht and her supervisor this summer emphasize that Syrian refugees are "normal kids who want to be college students just like anyone else. They aren't a threat, they were forced out by the war and they're innocent kids."

Ulbricht's ultimate goal for the program is to help college-aged Syrian refugees obtain admission into American colleges. "That's the ultimate dream," says Ulbricht, "I hope this program can expose them to ideals that they wouldn't normally be exposed to: freedom of expression and freedom of speech, along with other freedoms that their home environment doesn't provide. These ideals are incredibly powerful when you're looking to rebuild a country."

Ulbricht will undertake her project during the summer of 2015, but she hopes to continue her involvement with the program and Syrian refugees into the future. "I'll definitely continue my involvement with Paper Airplanes because I believe in the power of education and the opportunities it can create for Syrian refugees. I'm interested in getting involved in American foreign policy in the Middle East, so this is a gateway to that. Even if just five individuals decide to pursue an education instead of violence, that is better than nothing."

Ulbricht plans to keep a blog and photo journal about her experiences this summer, so keep a lookout for updates from her on the project's progress. For more information about Ulbricht's Paper Airplanes program, visit the program website at paperairplanestutoring.org.

The Davis Projects for Peace Program is in its ninth year and supports and encourages today's motivated youth to create and test their own ideas for building peace. Kathryn W. Davis, an international philanthropist, set up the grant in celebration of her 100th birthday. In her goal for the grant, Davis stated: "My challenge to you is to bring about a mind-set of preparing for peace, instead of preparing for war."

by Laura Westneat '16, Carleton Media Relations

From the Chair (cont.)

Bailey Ulbricht '15 and Mike Sobaski '15 ventured to Turkey, getting about as close to the Syrian border as is wise (or even closer), to conduct field interviews with Syrian refugees. Their project was incredibly ambitious and impressive (and daring). Next year Bailey will continue this work with major grant funding from the Davis Projects for Peace. Other students and recent graduates will likewise be on some great adventures, as you can read about in this issue.

Trying new things also means accepting and embracing change. This coming year will witness a minor and a major change on 4th Willis. On the minor side, I'll be taking over as Chair of the department, relieving Al Montero from the duties that he has executed so capably and efficiently over the last three years. I couch this as a minor change because it is my hope that this transition will be barely noticeable.

The major change involves Professor Steve Schier, who will teach his last class at Carleton this winter. Steve will culminate his impressive 34-year career of teaching, mentoring, writing and shaping our department into what it is today. While it will be impossible to replace Steve, we will begin the process of searching for a new professor of American politics this fall. I sincerely want to welcome current students to assist us in this vital task by attending talks by the candidates and providing us with feedback. We've had great luck in our last few additions to the department and we certainly don't want to change that at all.

To celebrate Steve's career, we will be hosting a spring term round table of academics and journalists including former students and research collaborators to discuss the 2016 election season. This group is in addition to the fascinating line-up of speakers already scheduled including Ambassador Davidow and a panel on Cuba.

Also in the spring Professor Barbara Allen and I will lead the Washington DC off-campus studies program—a program that Steve founded decades ago. We will try to get some pictures of elephants AND donkeys for the next newsletter.

Greg Marfleet, Chair & Professor of Political Science

Collaborative course brings together Carleton and St. Olaf students

Students of POSC 274 *Political Psychology of Presidential Foreign Policy*, Greg Marfleet's joint-enrollment course for Carleton and St. Olaf students met over 10 weeks on the St. Olaf evening schedule. They explored US foreign policy through the lens of presidential personality, experience, perception and risk taking; investigated patterns in foreign-policy-relevant rhetoric using a variety of computer-aided content-analysis schemes designed to measure affect, cognition and belief patterns. Six teams, each comprised of a mix of Carls and Oles, dug deeper into the case of a single president and presented the results of their group research projects in poster form.

The course was the first to be offered through Carleton and St. Olaf's *Broadening the Bridge: Leading Carleton and St. Olaf Colleges into a More Collaborative Future*.

The program, which received a \$1.4 million grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, aims to advance collaboration between the two colleges in library services, information technology, management operations, and academic programs in order to strengthen liberal arts learning and teaching in ways that each college could not accomplish individually.



The colleges are using the Mellon grant to support faculty-led exploration and pilot activities with potential for substantive academic collaborations, both in formal classroom curricula and experiential learning. The *Political Psychology* course is the first collaborative class to come out of this program.

"It began as a conversation about collaboration between our department chair, Al Montero, and St. Olaf's department chair, Tony Lott," says Carleton associate professor of political science Greg Marfleet, who teaches the course. "There had been some excitement about the collaboration grant, and the two began to think about how we might expand the curriculum on each side of the river by offering some additional courses."

Excited by the opportunity to build a connection between the two departments, Marfleet volunteered to design and teach the course.

"We discussed the kinds of courses St. Olaf students might like to take given the range of offerings already, and I noticed that political psychology and foreign policy were both areas that might attract Ole enrollment," he says. "We thought it could help Oles seeking some variety, and it might also be helpful to have additional Ole enrollment for some of the more specialized offerings that occasionally don't fill up with Carls."

The class celebrated this collaborative effort and presented posters at a reception on November 20, 2014.

(from an article by Andrew Wilder '15, *St. Olaf Media Relations*)



Students Bradley-Anne Naing (Carleton) and Bayley Flint (St. Olaf) presented a poster from the collaborative course at the MPSA conference in Chicago, April 2015



Political Economy & Ecology of Southeast Asia

Tun Myint, Faculty Director

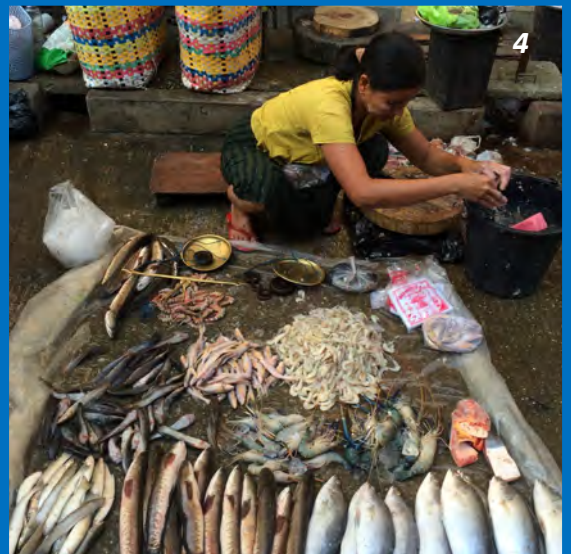
Professor Tun Myint led a group of 20 students on the *Political Economy and Ecology of Southeast Asia* program during winter term 2015. The seminar emphasized understanding and linking the theories and practices of political economy and ecology of Southeast Asia by experiencing life in Thailand and Myanmar (Burma). The students gained a fundamental and first-hand understanding of conceptual issues, empirical evidence, and theoretical puzzles that resonate in Southeast Asian politics and development but are also relevant to many other regions of the world.

The program was highly experiential. In conjunction with the formal coursework, students lived with local families, conducted field trips to local markets, businesses, and temples, took part in village social life

(firewood picking, pineapple harvesting, participating in community events), and participated in the implementation of globally-driven development projects.

A Burmese native, Professor Myint was eager to introduce students to this dynamic and rapidly evolving region. He earned his PhD in 2005 from the joint program of the School of Public and Environmental Affairs and the School of Law at Indiana University, Bloomington. As part of his ongoing research in the region, Professor Myint has recently published a book titled *Governing International Rivers: Polycentric Politics in the Mekong and the Rhine*. He is currently working on a manuscript examining the challenges of building a Leviathan in Myanmar/Burma.

Above: Program participants at the Shwezigon Pagoda, located in Nyaung-U, a town near Bagan, Burma (Myanmar). **Opposite:** ① Sam Rix '15 & Claire Willeck '15 picking pineapples in Northern Thailand. ② Daniel Gorter '17, Peter Sang '17 & Claire Willeck '15 riding an elephant in Alaungdaw Kathapa National Park, Myanmar. ③ Jackson Bahn '16 & other students greet children in Andaw Village, Yinmarbin Township, Sagaing, Myanmar. ④ Woman preparing to sell seafood in Htee Dan Market in Yangon. ⑤ Jamie Emery '17, Peter Bruno '17 & Morgan Vought '17 at the Mingun Pahtodawgyi, an incomplete monument stupa built in 1790 in Mingun, approximately 10 kilometres (6.2 miles) northwest of Mandalay in Sagaing Region in central Myanmar. ⑥ In Andaw Village, Ryan Conlin '17 with Aye Htet Lin, a student at Lumbini Academy.



Students inspired by Southeast Asia experiences

This past winter term, we were among the 20 students that Professor Tun Myint led to Myanmar and Thailand on an off-campus study program that would prove to be life changing for all involved. This first ever program, entitled *Political Economy and Ecology of Southeast Asia*, included students from a variety of academic backgrounds, including majors in Political Science, Environmental Studies, Economics, Psychology, Biology, Economics, Math, and Computer Science. Amazingly, Carleton was the first American college to host a study abroad in Myanmar since 1962. This gave us a unique opportunity to research a country that has been relatively unstudied.

The program attempted to provide a holistic view of the interaction between the country's government, environment and economy. Through a diverse array of experiences, such as living in remote village homestays, touring the religious capital of the country, and hiking in the Golden Triangle while discussing border issues and drug trafficking, all of us were able to view a variety of angles of the country's changing economy. We also engaged in our own research projects and documented our adventures through photo and video journals. Professor Myint took advantage of his "mobile classroom" by organizing the trip to start in rural villages and move towards villages with more technological development. In this way, we were able to journey through the different steps of modernization and were challenged to look critically at the social and ecological effects of transitioning into a market-based society.



The program also focused on the ecology of Southeast Asia by looking at transforming agricultural practices and environmental policies. We went backpacking through national parks, studied at elephant rehabilitation facilities, and set up trail cameras to capture images of endangered species.

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Many of our fellow students agreed that the most challenging and inspirational part of the trip was the time spent in the villages. Without paved roads, plumbing, walls, or motorized transportation, life in the villages was a culture shock to say the least. Villagers laughed along as we attempted to learn to ride cow carts, pick cotton without getting injured, and dance traditional Burmese dances. Although we had the goals of completing research projects, the most enlightening realizations were found in the everyday interactions with villagers.

Inspired by these experiences, four members of our group have already been awarded funding to return to Burma this summer to teach and further their research. We hope this program continues at Carleton.

Molly Ellsworth '16 is an Environmental Studies major from Wisconsin. Morgan Vought '17 is an Environmental Studies major from Illinois.



Steven Schier to be honored

Professor Steven Schier, Dorothy H. and Edward C. Congdon Professor Political Science, will retire from teaching after the 2015-2016 academic year. He will be greatly missed in Willis Hall by his colleagues and students (although we're pretty sure he will still be heard from in the media). His teaching, mentoring and leadership of the Carleton in Washington program have inspired numerous students to pursue careers in government and public service.

Since joining the Carleton faculty in 1981, Schier has taught widely in American politics—courses on Congress, the presidency, parties and interest groups, political rhetoric, America's future, public policy, and research methods. He will teach *American Foreign Policy* and *Politics in America* this fall, and will wrap up his teaching year with *Politics in America* winter 2016.

Schier founded the Carleton in Washington off-campus program in 1983 and led the program 12 times, most recently in 2010. Students interned three days a week, and met with about 60 prominent Washingtonians during the remaining two days. "The Political Science off-campus study program in Washington, DC was one of my favorite college experiences,

and I credit Professor Schier's exceptional planning and organization with truly making this program a success," said Rebekah Solem '06. "From meeting with Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia to visiting the Gettysburg battlefield, our group had incredible access and exposure to a wide variety of influential people and historical places. This trip helped confirm for me that I wanted to eventually return to Washington and work on Capitol Hill—where I do now work! I have many great memories of the DC seminar, and I appreciate Professor Schier's dedication to making it such an enriching experience. I wish him all the best in his retirement!" Rebekah Solem is Senior Legislative Assistant/Scheduler for Congressman Collin C. Peterson (D-MN).

Carleton in Washington speakers have included several Supreme Court Justices; journalists Bob Woodward, Susan Page, John F. Harris and Juan Williams; and Senators Russ Feingold (D-WI), Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) and Richard Lugar (R-IN).



Aisha (Bierma) Elmquist '02 said, "Professor Schier's classes changed my perspective on many aspects of politics and government." Elmquist is an attorney at Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid. She worked for Congress in Washington DC after college.

Schier received a Fulbright Distinguished Lectureship award to teach at York University in Toronto in fall 2002. He also served as the Fulbright Professor of American Studies at Uppsala University in Sweden from January to June of 2014.

Professor Schier's comps advisee Rebecca Stark Holschuh '05 won the 2005 best undergraduate paper on the presidency, presented by the Presidency Research Group of the American Political Science Association. In 2006, his student Andrew Kaufman '07

also won that best undergraduate paper award. These are accomplishments of which Professor Schier is particularly proud.

His fellow political scientists elected him president of the Presidents and Executive Politics organized section of the American Political Science Association for 2013-2014.

He will have written or edited 20 books by this spring, and

has authored many scholarly articles and monographs. He was the recipient of *Choice* magazine Outstanding Academic Book awards for 2001 and 2009. *Presidential Elections: Strategies and Structures of American Politics* (with Nelson W. Polsby, Aaron Wildavsky, and David A. Hopkins) is forthcoming from Rowman and Littlefield, as is *Polarized: The Rise of Ideology in American Politics* (with Todd E. Eberly).

Professor Schier's columns have appeared in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *USA Today*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Washington Monthly*, *Brookings Review* and other publications. His observations on state and national politics are quoted frequently in newspapers and magazines. He is also a political commentator for Minnesota Public Radio, the BBC, and local television stations. He has blogged on American politics for *The Atlantic* magazine, and writes regular columns for the *Politics in Minnesota* newspaper and website. (Continued on page 16.)

Larry Siems on *Guantánamo Diary*

Larry Siems will present “A Voice from the Void: Secrecy, Censorship, and Mohamedou Ould Slahi’s *Guantánamo Diary*,” about the politicization of conflict and the voices that are represented/excluded from public debates about war. His lecture will be on October 16 at 4:30 pm in the Library Athenaeum.

Siems’ books include *Between the Lines: Letters Between Undocumented Mexican and Central American Immigrants and Their Families and Friends* (Ecco 1992, University of Arizona Press 1993); *The Torture Report: What the Documents Say About America’s Post 9/11 Torture Program* (OR Books, 2012); and he is the editor of the forthcoming *Guantánamo Diary* (author, Mohamedou Ould Slahi).

Since earning his MFA in poetry at Columbia University, he has balanced writing and activism, publishing scores of articles on human rights and cross-cultural themes. He served for many years as director of Freedom to Write Programs for the writers’ advocacy organization PEN.

His work has appeared in a wide range of publications, including *The New York Times*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Slate*, *The Nation*, *LA Weekly*, and *Southern Poetry Review*.

Larry Siems’ lecture is free and open to the public. The event is sponsored by the the Carleton Humanities Center and the Department of Political Science.



Ambassador Jeffrey Davidow to discuss foreign policy

Jeffrey Davidow served as U.S. Ambassador to Zambia, Venezuela, and Mexico. He will discuss U.S.-Latin America foreign policy on Friday, April 29, 2016 at 10:50 am in the Skinner Memorial Chapel.

Ambassador Davidow is a career United States Foreign Service officer. Upon completion of 34 years of service he retired as America’s highest ranking diplomat, one of the few people to hold the rank of Career Ambassador. Between his posts in Zambia and Venezuela, he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State. Following his post in Venezuela, he was the State Department’s chief policy maker for the Western Hemisphere as Assistant Secretary of State. After leaving Mexico, he became a Visiting Fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government and the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies at Harvard University. He

wrote an insightful book on U.S.-Mexican relations, *The U.S. and Mexico: The Bear and the Porcupine*.

Davidow then went on to assume the presidency of the Institute of the Americas, an independent, non-profit institution at the University of California, San Diego, whose mission is to be a catalyst for promoting development and integration as a means to improve the economic, political, and social well-being of the people of the Americas. He also served as adviser to President Barack Obama for the Summit of the Americas.

This convocation is sponsored by the Harold Stassen United Nations Lectureship Fund.



Panel on Cuba and international relations

Guest panelists will discuss Cuba on Friday, May 13, 2016 at 4:30 pm (room to be announced). Sponsored by the Harold Stassen United Nations Lectureship and the Gary Wynia Memorial Lectureship in Latin American Political Economy, this event is free and open to the public.



Carlos Alzugaray Treto is a Cuban diplomat and educator. He earned his PhD in Historical Sciences at the University of Havana. He is on the faculty of the Raúl Roa García Institute for Advanced International

Studies, and is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Havana. He has also been a Cuban Foreign Service Officer, with postings in Japan, Bulgaria, Argentina, Canada, Ethiopia, and Kenya. He served as Ambassador of Cuba to Belgium and Luxembourg, and Head of the Cuban Mission to the European Union and Communities in Brussels.

Carlos A. Saladrigas is Chair of the Cuba Study Group, a non-partisan, not-for-profit group of business and professional individuals who aim to put their collective experience in leadership skills, problem solving, and wealth creation at the service of the Cuban people. Mr. Saladrigas is Chairman and CEO of Regis HR Group. He was a co-founder and CEO of The Vincam Group, which in 1998 was listed as the largest Hispanic-owned company in the U.S. Saladrigas holds an MBA with honors from Harvard University and a BBA, *cum laude*, from the University of Miami. Active in community affairs, he is a vice chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University of Miami.



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Honors for the Class of 2015

Members of the Class of 2015 were honored at the Political Science Department Senior Dinner on May 26 and at Honors Convocation on May 29, 2015:

Bailey Ulbricht was honored with the *Davis Projects for Peace*, a \$10,000 award to students for projects that promote peace anywhere in the world, including the U.S., during the summer of 2015. Through a competition on 85 campuses, 100 projects are selected for funding.

Ulbricht also received the *Second Century Student Award*. This award was established to honor a member of the Carleton student body who has made an outstanding contribution to the College through significant service to others. The award is not intended to recognize academic or political success but rather to honor service on or off campus that in other ways enriches and strengthens the institution and the lives of its members.

Maddie Ulanow and Bailey Ulbricht were awarded *Fulbright Fellowships*. These fellowships are granted each year to American citizens for graduate work abroad. Recipients are selected on the basis of personal qualifications, academic record, and the value of their proposed study or project.

Membership in *Mortar Board* was bestowed upon the following students:

**Michael Sobaski
Maddie Ulanow
Bailey Ulbricht
Claire Willeck**

This national honor society recognizes students who have combined distinguished scholarship, leadership, and service to their colleagues and the College community.

The following seniors were inducted into *Phi Beta Kappa*:

**Michael Sobaski
Maddie Ulanow
Bailey Ulbricht**

This national honorary scholastic fraternity was founded in 1776. The Carleton chapter was established in 1913 and elects its membership from students who rank in the highest 15 percent of their graduating class and meet other prescribed criteria.

Distinction in the Senior Integrative Exercise (Comps) was awarded to the following students:

Dilara Ak Gunduz, for her paper, "Indecision 101: Exploring the Effects of Cultural Fractionalization in the New Middle East on Foreign Policy Behavior"

Carly Davidson, for her paper, "Beyond Benghazi: Understanding the American Response to Attacks Against U.S. Diplomatic Facilities"

Paige Dedrick, for her paper, "When the Customer Isn't 'Right': An Actor-Consumer Focused SES Analysis of GEOs in the United States"

Allison DeJong, for her paper, "'No Saldrá Eva de la Costilla de Evo': An

Analysis of Gender and Health in Evo Morales' Bolivia"

Elizabeth Due, for her paper, "The Feminized Body as Weapon in the Niger Delta: Judith Butler, Feminist Embodiment, and Subversive Possibilities"

Erika Eldrenkamp, for her paper, "The Lords of the Rings: Olympic Co-optation for Urban Transformation"

Henry Gordon, for his paper, "A Public Relations Paradox: The Rising Political Power of Eurosceptic Parties"



Ian Fischer '15 and Michael Sobaski '15 visit with Professor Dev Gupta at the Senior Dinner

Honors for the Class of 2015 (cont.)

Connor Jackson, for his paper, "Rectifying Individualistic Models of Justice: Uniting Distinct Paradigms of Individual Perception and Institutional Perspective"

Michael Sobaski and **Bailey Ulbricht**, for their joint paper, "Supporting ISIS? Uncovering Syrians' Opinions of Salafi Jihadist Groups"

Madeline Ulanow, for her paper, "*Hala Infisaam*: The Radical Flank Effect in Palestinian Political Polarization and the Future of the PLO"

Claire Willeck, for her paper, "State Funding for Public Schools: The Impact of Public School Funding Formulas on Racial Academic Achievement Gaps"

2014-15 Student Departmental Advisers

Carly Davidson and **Henry Gordon** were recognized for their service. SDAs advise first-year students and others about course offerings and the major.

Departmental Curriculum Committee members

Cole Frank and **Sarah Singh** were recognized for their service. The DCC evaluates curriculum, advises on requirements, organizes departmental events, and generally serves as the formal voice of students in all Department affairs (e.g., hiring).



Bradley-Anne Naing '15 and Madeline Ulanow '15 share a laugh with Prof. Mihaela Czobor-Lupp at the Senior Dinner

Gary Wynia Memorial Lecture on Latin American Political Economy

Carol Wise, Associate Professor of International Relations at the University of Southern California, will be the featured lecturer on February 26, 2016 at 4:30 pm in the Library Athenaeum.



She earned her PhD at Columbia University. She was a faculty member at Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, DC for eight years. Professor Wise specializes in international political economy and development, with an emphasis on Latin America. She has written widely on trade integration, exchange rate crises, institutional reform, and the political economy of market restructuring in the region.

Wise is currently working on a book-length project—"Varieties of Capitalist Development in China-Latin American Relations"—which analyzes the rapid and remarkable ties that have developed between China and Latin America since the 1990s. Her study approaches this phenomenon from three main angles: the relative rise of China in the global economy such that it has now replaced the U.S. as the most important trading partner for an increasing number of countries in Latin America; the decidedly more heterodox and flexible approach to economic policy management that increased relations with China has instilled in its main Latin American partners; and the political implications of the growing presence of a "new" hegemon in the Western Hemisphere, one that has resisted the longstanding U.S. notion that liberal capitalist democracy is the only acceptable form of governance.

Wise's recent publications include *Unexpected Outcomes: The Quick Rebound of Emerging Economies from the 2008-09 Global Financial Crisis* (co-edited with Leslie Armijo and Saori Katada, Brookings Institution Press, 2015) and "Good-bye Financial Crash, Hello Financial Eclecticism: Latin American Responses to the 2008-09 Global Financial Crisis," *Journal of International Money and Finance* (co-authored with Manuel Pastor, 2015).

Professor Wise is the 2015 recipient of the Fulbright-Masaryk University Distinguished Chair Grant, Czech Republic.

Majors honored

Jackson Bahn '16 was awarded a **Professor Roy F. Grow Fellowship**, established in 2014 by Dr. Michael J. Hasenstab '95 and Mary Ann Hasenstab as a tribute to Professor Grow's role at Carleton. Roy F. Grow P'03, Frank B. Kellogg Professor of International Relations, served Carleton's political science department for 33 years. The purpose is to support a significant student experience in Asia, during summer or winter break, which may include research, travel, service learning or internship projects. Bahn and Peter Sang '17 will use the fellowship to study the relationship between migration and informal insurance in the Dry Zone of Myanmar. Villages often depend on informal and sometimes implicit insurance schemes to weather hard times, but with the advent of widespread outmigration from villages, some of these arrangements are beginning to feel strain. Their research will involve conducting roughly 130 structured interviews with farmers, teachers and people living off the money sent them from the jade mines of Hpakan.

Phi Beta Kappa Prizes are offered annually by the Carleton Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa; one to a sophomore, the other to a junior, each of whom in the previous year held the highest class ranking in scholarship among the members of his or her respective class. **Allison Ball '17** was awarded the Phi Beta Kappa First Year Prize. **Reilly Simon '16** was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa.

Maximilian Esslinger '16 received the **National Security Education Program David L. Boren Scholars Award**, which provides funding opportunities for U.S. undergraduate students to study less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. interests, including Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East. Esslinger plans to use the scholarship to travel

to China (PRC) for the 2015-2016 academic year. He will be participating in two intensive Mandarin programs run by CET Academic Programs in Beijing and Harbin. The Boren Scholarship includes a federal service requirement, which entails that he work in the federal government for at least one year after graduation.

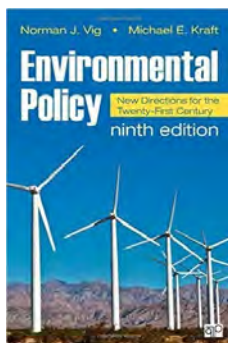
Gabriela Olvera '16 was honored with the **Four Friends Fellowship**. The award was established in 2012 by grants to Carleton from John Youngblood '81, Peter Ross '80, Danal Abrams '80, and Jeff Appelquist '80 in thanks for all the experiences they have had together since meeting at Carleton in the late '70s. The Fellowship is awarded annually to a group of Carleton students proposing the most compelling group experience involving collaboration, creativity and camaraderie. Olvera, along with Sarah Abdel-Jelil '16 and Khuaten Maaneb de Macedo '16, will use the award to visit New Orleans during winter break for two weeks. They plan to study how music has played a role in helping New Orleans heal after hurricane Katrina. They will create a multimedia art piece to display in the Weitz Center for Creativity, to show the rest of the Carleton community how New Orleans created a safe space for its residents, and how Carleton students can do the same while in school.

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Maximilian Esslinger '16
Julia Holewinski, '16
Reilly Simon '16

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New books



Environmental Policy: New Directions for the Twenty-First Century, 9th Edition, **Norman Vig** (Winifred and Atherton Bean Professor of Science, Technology, and Society, Emeritus and former chair of the Political Science Department) and Michael E. Kraft, eds. (Sage/CQ Press, 2015).

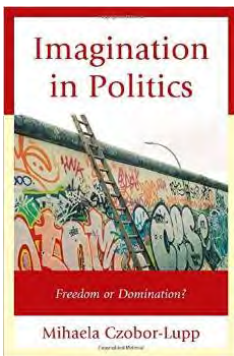
This is the 25th anniversary edition of the book, first published in 1990, and is extensively revised with six new chapters.

Authoritative and trusted, *Environmental Policy* convenes top scholars to evaluate the impact of past environmental policy while anticipating its future implications. In this new

edition, the text once again helps students decipher the underlying trends, institutional constraints, and policy dilemmas that shape environmental politics. Included is coverage of a host of current issues, including energy policy disputes; natural gas fracturing (fracking); environmental organizations and their political strategies; renewable energy development; disputes involving the Keystone XL pipeline; sustainable cities; and the environmental impact of food production and consumption. A new concluding chapter ties the contributing chapters together with an assessment of the remaining environmental policy challenges for the 21st century.

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New books



Imagination in Politics: Freedom or Domination? by **Mihaela Czobor-Lupp** (Lexington Books, 2014).

This book addresses how imagination can be both a source of freedom and domination in liberal-democratic politics, and argues for a benign public employment of images and narratives in a global world of diverse cultures.

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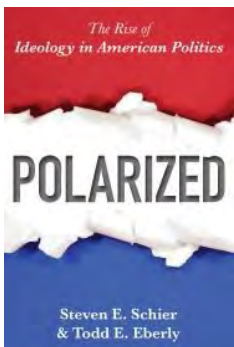
tating politics of the spectacle and towards empowering citizens to engage creatively across difference about collective life?” asks reviewer Elisabeth Ellis, University of Otago. “In this essential work, Mihaela Czobor-Lupp argues that only through the transformation of our creative imagination can people create the kind of public sphere that vindicates our dialogical and ethical power. Czobor-Lupp brings the aesthetic insights of three centuries of German political

philosophy to bear on the ethically attractive but aesthetically inadequate arguments of discourse ethics and Arendtian action theory: the result is a delightful and insightful read, but also a critical contribution to contemporary political thought.”

“In 1968, at the height of the student rebellions, there was a motto: ‘*L’imagination au pouvoir!*’ It was a startling but also misleading motto—because what was needed was not more power (*pouvoir*) but a move beyond power politics,” notes Fred Dallmayr, University of Notre Dame. “Today, in our

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reigning culture of violence when media everywhere are saturated with images of horror, death, and destruction, it is surely time to enlist the more salutary and liberating resources of imagination. In her book, Czobor-Lupp enlists a whole tradition of salutary imagination: from Herder, Kant, and Schiller to Nietzsche, Arendt, and Heidegger. May this imagination free us from oppressive domination.”



Polarized: The Rise of Ideology in American Politics, **Steven E. Schier** and Todd E. Eberly (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, November 2015).

Polarized offers students a concise introduction to ideology in American politics and the increasing prominence it has come to play in American politics. Presenting current

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political science insights and data on the impact of ideology on public life, the presidency, Congress, and the courts, Stephen E. Schier and Todd E. Eberly offer an up-to-minute guide to polarization in America and its impact on federal and state governance.



Presidential Elections: Strategies and Structures of American Politics, 14th Edition, Nelson W. Polsby; Aaron Wildavsky; **Steven E. Schier**; and David A. Hopkins (Rowman and Littlefield, September 2015).

The fourteenth edition of this classic text offers a complete overview of the presidential election process from the earliest straw polls and fundraisers to final voter turnout and exit interviews.

The comprehensive coverage includes campaign strategy, the sequence of electoral events, and the issues, all from the perspective of the various actors in the election process: voters, interest groups, political parties, the media, and the candidates themselves.

This new edition incorporates major revisions that explore the new world of 21st century presidential elections. The

theme of partisan polarization receives thorough coverage throughout the book. It provides complete coverage of the 2012 election and presidential selection process changes for 2016 and explains the new 2016 campaign finance rules and their implications. The book analyzes the increasing demographic diversity of the presidential electorate and its possible 2016 impacts and includes insights on the evolution

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and impact of new “microtargeting” campaign technology. The analysis of possible reforms of the presidential election process is revised and updated. The editors also include a list of most and least effective general election TV ads by Obama and Romney and excerpts from the major party platforms.

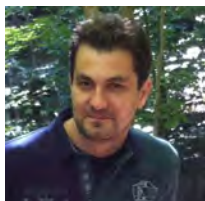
Faculty activities



Barbara Allen was the recipient of a \$10,000 CHS Foundation grant to support production and editing of her "Actual World, Possible Future" documentary about social scientists Elinor and Vincent Ostrom. She also received a \$15,000 grant from the CHS

Foundation. This supported her March 2015 research trip to South Korea to interview and film important figures in the Korean cooperative movement and conduct research at co-ops and other social enterprises, including fisheries and fish markets, eco-tourism, and water resources.

Hicham Bou Nassif published "Second-Class: The Grievances of Sunni Officers in the Syrian Armed Forces" in *Journal of Strategic Studies*, August 2015; "Generals and Autocrats: How Coup-Proofing Predetermined Military Elite's Behavior in the Arab Spring," *Political Science Quarterly*, June 2015; and "A Military Besieged: The Armed Forces, the Police and the Party in Ben Ali's Tunisia, 1987–2011," *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, February 2015. He lectured on Arab civil-military relations and transition to democracy in the Arab World at Harvard in April 2015, and Columbia in March 2015. He spent the summer of 2015 doing fieldwork in Northern Lebanon.



Laurence Cooper presented a paper, "Dreaming of Justice, Waking to Wisdom: Reveries of the Solitary Walker," at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington, D.C., August 28–31, 2014. He continues to serve as the director of Carleton's EthIC Program (Ethical Inquiry at Carleton).

Mihaela Czobor-Lupp is the author of *Imagination in Politics: Freedom or Domination?* (Lexington Books, 2014). She published an article on "Rationalism" in *The Encyclopedia of Political Thought* (2014). She presented "Arendt and Vico on Common Sense in Politics: Some Conclusions for Contemporary Multicultural Societies" at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, October, 2014. She also presented, "Herder on the Role of Religion in the Public Sphere: An Argument for Secular Societies," at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association in Las Vegas, April 2015.



Kent Freeze was awarded a Small Faculty Development Endowment grant to support the investigation of political attitudes and behavior of China's migrant worker population.



Richard Keiser is the author of "Urban Regime Change: A Silver Lining for Scandals?" *Urban Affairs Review* (2014). He received a Curriculum Innovation Grant Award to attend a faculty seminar entitled, "Community Development & Social Justice in the Favelas of Rio de

Janeiro" to enhance teaching in three political science courses.

Alfred Montero was awarded a Hewlett Mellon Fellowship to research why some Latin American states were able to retain and repurpose developmentalist economic policies and bureaucratic agencies while others eliminated these institutions in favor of more purely market-oriented policies.



Montero delivered papers on the continuation of developmentalist economic policies in Brazil at the Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA) meeting, King's College, London, August 2014 and at the conference, "Catching Up to the Future? Advances and Challenges in the Politics, Society & Social Policies of Contemporary Brazil," at Brown University, November 2014. He presented "The Once and Future Brazilian Presidency," at Tulane University, November 2014.

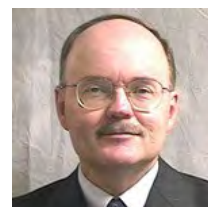


Tun Myint published "Beyond a 'Two-Level' Game: Local Livelihood Issues and International Development Institutions in the Mekong River Basin," in *TRAns: Trans-Regional and -National Studies of Southeast Asia*, July 2014. He is also the author of "Buddhist Political Thoughts" in

The Encyclopedia of Political Thought, (eds. Michael T. Gibbons, Diana Coole, Elizabeth Ellis, and Kennan Ferguson) Wiley-Blackwell, 2014.

Myint presented "Globalization and Ecologization: Dynamics of Fiji Water and Peace Coffee Commodity Chains" at the MPSA Meeting, April 2015 in Chicago. He also served as a panel discussant for the Local Environmental Politics panel at the MPSA conference.

Steven Schier presented "Which Direction Sweden? Assessing the 2014 National Elections," at the American Swedish Institute in Minneapolis on August 20, 2014. He is also the author of "Converging Policies and Politics in the United States and Sweden: How Durable a Trend?" in the *Swedish American Historical Quarterly*, 65 (2014), and presented a conference paper on the same subject at the April 2015 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago. These works resulted from interview and documentary research in Sweden while he served as Fulbright Professor of American Studies at Uppsala University in 2014.



Alumni updates

1976

Marjorie Grace, GFS Financials, Oakland, CA.

1980

David Johnson, Lecturer-in-Law, Stanford Law School, Palo Alto, CA. Beginning 25th year in Silicon Valley, 10th year teaching @SLS, second-year for MOOC on NovoEd.com, and first-year for a new course at <http://dschool.stanford.edu>. Feel free to touch base on LinkedIn or Twitter @Johnson_DavidW <https://www.law.stanford.edu/profile/david-w-johnson-jd-jsm>

1985

Eric Larson, General Counsel, St. Paul Port Authority, St. Paul, MN.

1987

Joseph Rousseau, Elk Grove, WI.

1988

Bob Gilbertson, Partner, Greene Espel PLLP, Minneapolis. <http://www.greeneespel.com/people/BobGilbertson.cfm> Just spent some great time in New York with Ben Gordon '87, David Jackson '87, and Karl Knutsen '88. For anyone who took stats at Carleton, you might be interested in getting in touch with Karl about his effort to raise money for a Frank Wolf Endowed Chair of Applied Statistics.

1990

Allison Keeley, Head Volleyball Coach, East Stroudsburg University, East Stroudsburg, PA. After 20 years of coaching at the college level, I thought about moving to the classroom. Not wanting to earn a doctorate in education (my MA), I returned to the classroom and earned a second MA in International Relations. After that reminder of what it is like to write a 50 page thesis, I don't think I'll continue—but it was fun while it lasted!

1999

Mike Hartman, Teacher, Arroyo Grande High School, Santa Maria, CA.

2000

Shaunna Barnhart—As of August 2015, I began a new job as Director of the Place Studies Program in the Center for Sustainability and the Environment at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, PA. Prior to this position, I worked at Emory University as a Sustainability Distinguished Teaching Fellow, and prior to that as a Visiting Assistant Professor in Environmental Studies at Allegheny College. I continue to do research in Nepal on biogas as renewable energy.

Blair Cook, Managing Director – Asia Pacific at MTD Products. After nearly 8 years in China with Whirlpool followed by MTD Products, I will be shifting to Melbourne, Australia at the end of 2015 to lead the newly formed Asia Pacific business unit for MTD Products.

2001

Michelle Giacobbe Allendoerfer, Washington, DC. I'm about to begin my sixth year teaching comparative politics and international relations at George Washington University

(in the Women's Leadership Program, a small academic program at the university that reminds me a bit of Carleton). I received my PhD from the University of Michigan in 2010 and crossed paths with a few other Carls during my time there.

Megan Haddock, International Research Projects Manager, Center for Civil Society Studies, Institute for Health and Social Policy, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. <https://www.linkedin.com/in/meganahaddock> I've been living out my Model UN dreams lately. In July I was invited to speak at the United Nations as part of inter-governmental negotiations surrounding the development of the forthcoming Sustainable Development Goals—the global goals for economic, social, and environmental development that will be adopted in September. I focused my comments on the importance of government partnerships with civil society organizations and volunteer groups if we are going to make any real progress. It was a real thrill and fun for me to be involved. Thanks to Lauren Mack Janus '01 and Ted Mathys '01 for all the Model UN training back in the day!

Kelly Hallberg, Scientific Director, University of Chicago Crime Lab, University of Chicago Urban Education Lab. After 10 years working for American Institutes for Research, I've taken a new position with the Crime and Urban Education Labs at the University of Chicago. A good overview of the work that we are doing can be found here: <https://crimelab.uchicago.edu/page/about-us>. In my new role, I manage the Labs' internal capacity, providing day to day operational leadership and scientific direction. I also continue to lead a portfolio of applied research projects, including my work on research methods. So far it's been a fun new challenge. Mike and I are still living in Chicago with our now somewhat elderly pug, Gus.

David Strandness, Senior Associate, Internet Strategy & Litigation, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Palo Alto, CA. Enjoying life in the Bay Area! <https://www.linkedin.com/in/dstrandness> <https://www.wsgr.com/WSGR/DBIndex.aspx?SectionName=attorneys/BIOS/13300.htm>

2002

Allison (Alli) Swan, Executive Director, True North Organizing Network (an affiliate of the PICO National Network), Oakland, CA. I am establishing a multi-racial, multi-ethnic, multi-faith grassroots community organizing network in Del Norte and Humboldt Counties and Tribal Lands in a Northern California. www.truenorthorganizing.org

Jessica Yarnall Loarie, Staff Attorney, Sierra Club, Environmental Law Program, San Francisco, CA. My husband, Scott Loarie, and I welcomed our daughter Madeleine Beatrice Loarie on November 22, 2014. I continue to enjoy my job as staff attorney at the Sierra Club working on national coal and climate change issues.

2003

Sarah Brennan, Executive Project Manager, Self-Help Federal Credit Union, Oakland CA. After serving as a Policy

Director for the Los Angeles City Council for 5 years, I moved north to the Bay Area 2 years ago to work for Self-Help Federal Credit Union. At Self-Help, our mission is to create and protect ownership and economic opportunity for all—especially people of color, women, and low-wealth families and communities. Self-Help started in North Carolina in 1980 and has to date made nearly \$7 billion in loans to low-income individuals, families and communities. We also have a policy and advocacy arm called the Center for Responsible Lending, which advocates on behalf of the same mission via public policy at the state and national level—for instance, by working to ban payday lending in over 15 states. I love the work and welcome hearing from any Carls, locally or otherwise!

2005

Even Rogers Pay, Chief Product Officer, Smart Agriculture Analytics, Beijing, China. www.smartaganalytics.com I accidentally started a wechat group for Carleton alums and current students in China. There are already a hundred members—including alums from the '70s and '80s. For any current students, professors, or staff who use wechat and would like to be part of a community of Carls in China, feel free to add me and I'll put you into the group! My wechat ID is even_pay

2006

Morgan Weiland, PhD Candidate, Stanford University Department of Communication, Student Fellow, Stanford Law School Center for Internet & Society. Graduated from Stanford Law School in June. I will be continuing on at Stanford as a doctoral candidate in the Communication Department, as a Stanford Graduate Fellow.

2007

Nathan Kennedy, Cash Based Response Manager, GOAL Syria Response (based in Turkey). I recently switched jobs, moving from DC to southern Turkey to support GOAL Global's Syria response. I'll be focusing on incorporating more voucher and cash programming into their work with IDPs, refugees and host communities, giving more flexibility than just in-kind distributions. It's an exciting career move and great to be back out in the field.

Benjamin Tarshish, Managing Partner Attorney, Tarshish Cody, PLC, Richfield, Minnesota. btarshish@attorneysinmn.com / www.attorneysinmn.com My betrothed, Eugenia Shmidt, and I got engaged. We plan to get married in 2016. Tarshish Cody has been fortunate enough to continue its expansion, now consisting of 8 full time attorneys and 4 of counsel (and we are always looking for talented Carls to join our team).

2008

David Schraub, Darling Foundation Fellow in Public Law, UC-Berkeley. Jill Rodde '09 and I are staying in Berkeley. My fellowship at the law school was renewed, and I will also be beginning a PhD program in Political Theory at UC-Berkeley this fall. Meanwhile, I have four articles slated for publication in the coming year—one of which actually began its life while I was still a Carleton student!

2010

Kelsey Sloan, Team Manager, US Snowboarding and Freeskiing Teams, Park City, Utah. In September 2014, I moved to Park City Utah to take a new job working with the national snowboard and freeski teams at the US Ski and Snowboard Association as Team Manager. It was a whirlwind first season being Team Mom to 100 professional athletes and their coaches, but definitely my perfect kind of adventure!

2012

Samir S. Bhala, Commercial Tendering Professional at Alcatel-Lucent, Chicago, IL. In August 2014, I switched positions at Alcatel-Lucent after two years supporting the project management and metric analysis of Wireless Service implementation; my new position involves product pricing and tendering. I also became the President of the Corporate-level disability awareness organization within Alcatel-Lucent in December 2014. Since graduating in 2012, I found incredible value of applying lessons from Political Science as a discipline in a corporate setting. The skills with which Carleton equipped all of us included an understanding of what perennially motivates people, how to build consensus, and, of course, who governs and to what ends.

Justin A. Jack, New Orleans. I recently graduated from Tulane University School of Law and will be clerking for a federal judge here in New Orleans next year.

2013

Christopher Griffin, Clinical Legal Intern. Recently hired as a certified law student and clinical legal intern at the post-conviction justice project, a clinical program at the USC Gould School of Law. The PCJP represents lifer inmates during the parole process, particularly specializing in cases involving juvenile life without parole sentences and cases involving intimate partner battering.

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Majors enjoying ice cream sundaes at the department Ice Cream Social in May

Professor Schier honored (cont.)

Professor Schier has delivered talks on national politics and elections at four Carleton Friday convocations, in 1988, 1992, 1996 and 2000 .

Fittingly, Schier was born in the midst of a presidential election campaign (Dwight Eisenhower vs. Adlai Stevenson), which may have presaged his future career path. His uncle Richard Schier taught American politics at Franklin and Marshall College.

Steve Schier and his father visited Washington while Richard Schier was serving as legislative assistant to Sen. Joseph Clark (D-PA) in 1965, at the height of the "Great Society" legislative program. They were escorted into a closed Senate committee meeting to watch Robert and Ted Kennedy in action.

As an undergraduate at Simpson College, Schier attended American University's Washington Semester, Fall 1973, when President Nixon precipitated the "Saturday Night Massacre," sacking Watergate Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox, Attorney General Elliot Richardson, and Deputy Attorney General William French Smith. Schier interned with the Coalition for a Democratic majority, and was on Capitol Hill when Vice President Agnew resigned.

A panel discussion on the upcoming Presidential election is being planned for spring term in Professor Schier's honor. Watch the Department website for details.

Prof. Greg Marfleet with *Political Psychology of Presidential Foreign Policy* students at the MPSA meeting in Chicago.



Clockwise from upper left: Bayley Flint (St. Olaf), Bradley-Anne Naing (Carleton) & Megan Jekot (St. Olaf).



Sarah Singh, Micaela LaRose, Allison DeJong, Thato Ungwang, Prof. Al Montero, Hannah Anousheh, Cole Frank at the spring Political Science Comps Poster Presentation

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