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### Summer 2018

# Letter from the Chair



While spring is conventionally the season most associated with renewal and fresh starts, in the academic world, I would argue that autumn is truly the season for new beginnings. Each September, campus buzzes with a palpable energy as students return to classes and encounter new ideas and ways of understanding the world, all of

which (we hope!) contribute to their own intellectual growth. Faculty and staff are not immune to these feelings, either. Speaking for myself, I look forward to the energizing conversations I have with students both in and outside of the classroom—interactions that I find invigorating and that have prompted me to look at familiar texts and arguments with fresh eyes.

This coming autumn will be a time of new beginnings for our department as well. After three years of thoughtful and steady leadership, Greg Marfleet will be stepping down as chair. His hard work and good humor made the department hum along efficiently as well as collegially. Under his aegis, the department proposed exciting classes, brought intriguing speakers to campus, offered memorable off-campus programs, and drew large numbers of majors. We hired two exciting new faculty members—Christina Farhart and Charisse Burden-Stelly—who have enriched our curriculum with their timely classes and our campus with their energy. Our faculty won prestigious fellowships, published important scholarship, and brought their work to audiences beyond just the immediate Carleton community. Our students also excelled: they presented research at national conferences, racked up multiple honors, developed their leadership skills, and more. It has been a very productive three years, and I thank Professor Marfleet for his capable captaincy, even though it sets a very high bar for me to clear as the incoming chair!

We also say farewell to Professor Hicham Bou Nassif, who is heading to Claremont McKenna College. Their gain is our loss, and we wish him well on his adventures in southern California. His departure leaves a hole in our curriculum that we will fill in the short term with two visitors: Alex Von Hagen-Jamar and Jon Olson, who will offer a range of buzzworthy international relations classes (you can read all about them and their proposed classes on page 10). We will also commence a search this fall to fill the position with a tenure-track hire. We are excited to see how a new hire can strengthen our existing IR curriculum and extend it in new directions so that our department remains a relevant and cutting-edge place to grapple with the kinds of questions that matter for both our students and our society as a whole.

During the 2017-18 academic year, our department went through an external review process, which gave us time to reflect on where we have been and where we would like to go in the future. We thought carefully about a *(Continued on page 13.)* 

# Lee Sigelman Prize

**Kirsten Walters** '19 was awarded the 2017-18 Lee Sigelman Prize in Political Science for her paper "Write in Dugan for mayor, but not on city walls: Revanchist responses to graffiti in Detroit, 2013-2018."

Walters wrote the paper for "POSC 366 Urban Political Economy." She is a Political Science/International Relations major from London, England.

The Sigelman Prize is awarded for the best political science paper written by a major in the Political Science

Department before the end of the junior year. During his distinguished career as a political scientist, Lee Sigelman (Carleton Class of '67) was renowned for his scholarship, leadership and



wit. He was the editor of the discipline's flagship journal, the *American Political Science Review*, 2001-2007.

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Professor Jon Olson, Yingying Wang '19 , Jianxiong Zhang '20, Grant Ackerman '19, Roland Montgomery '20, Richard Armitage, Ibad Jafri '17, Avery Coombe '19, Prathista Rijal '19, Matthew Thibodeau '18, Professor Greg Marfleet, Yuchao Shang '19

### **Heartland Leadership Forum**

Several students attended the Donald W. McCarthy Heartland Leadership Forum on April 19, 2018. Ambassador Richard L. Armitage, former Deputy Secretary of State, discussed "Instability, Tariffs, Trade War? Challenges and Opportunities in the Western Pacific" at the McNamara Alumni Center, University of Minnesota. The event was sponsored by the U.S. Naval Academy Alumni Association—Upper Midwest Chapter.

Armitage's address to the Naval Academy Alumni presented a generally uncontroversial articulation of mainstream U.S. foreign policy. It lauded the liberal international order cultivated by the United States and its allies since WWII and reiterated the continuing importance of NATO, the WTO, and of U.S. engagement globally— particularly in East Asia and Europe.

The main object of concern he discussed was the growing economic and military challenges of China. He warned the audience about the growing pattern of economic coercion from the Chinese, who he claims have used developmental infrastructure investment as a foot-in-the-door to a subsequent political extortion.

Two cases of commercial, then military, port developments in Djibouti and Sri Lanka were offered as evidence of this pattern. Other countries in the region like Vietnam, Malaysia and the Philippines, he warned, would likely have a hard time resisting absorption into the Chinese sphere of influence without a U.S. presence. On this point, he lamented the sacrifice of the Trans-Pacific Partnership to parochial domestic political concerns. He noted that, of course, China was not part of the TPP but our key allies in the region were and that they had been eager to cement the U.S.-Western Pacific relationship.

He also leveled a variety of criticisms at the Trump administration's abandonment of U.S. global commitments. Trump's protectionism and the steel tariffs, for example, seemed to particularly target Japan. Other countries, even some in the region like South Korea, had received exemptions while Japan had not. The Ambassador expressed bewilderment that we would turn on our most powerful and stalwart ally and, consequently, undermine the Abe government—which had faithfully shared U.S. concerns about China and weathered the rising threat of North Korea.

For listeners who were regularly attentive toward U.S. foreign policy issues and sympathetic to an establishment viewpoint (most of the audience I suspect), there were few surprises in the talk. Armitage's candid, Sgt. Joe Friday-style of delivery resonated with the military-oriented crowd and his peppering of clarifying anecdotes and personal stories added some humor and depth to his assessment.

# **Immigrant Voices**

Immigration scholar **Sayu Bhojwani** will speak at Carleton College on Friday, October 19, 2018 at 10:50 am in Skinner Memorial Chapel. In her presentation "Immigrant Voices Make Democracy Stronger," Bhojwani underscores that our democracy is strengthened when everyone is included and everyone participates. Her visit is sponsored by the Harold Stassen U.N. Lectureship Fund and Carleton Convocations.

Bhojwani, an immigration scholar, served as New York City's first Commissioner of Immigrant Affairs and is the founder of South Asian Youth Action, a community-based organization in Queens. Since 2010, she has served as Founder and President of The New American Leaders Project based in New York City. In order to promote an elected government that reflects our country's diverse population, NAL is leading a movement for inclusive democracy by preparing first- and secondgeneration Americans to use their power and potential in elected office. NAL is the only national, nonpartisan organization focused on bringing new Americans into the political process. Bhojwani's work to build a more inclusive democracy has been featured in *The Wall Street Journal* and in *The New York Times*. She has shared her personal



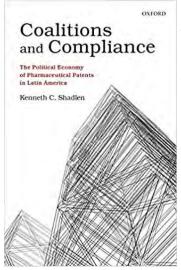
journey in *The National* and contributes frequently to *The Huffington Post* and *Medium*. As an immigrant woman herself from Belize (via India), Bhojwani has spoken powerfully in a variety of venues, including a highly regarded Ted Talk that has been used to inspire political participation.

Sayu Bhojwani and NAL have been leading voices in the United States on the importance of recruiting, training, and supporting the campaigns and political activism of first- and secondgeneration immigrant women. Her Carleton presentation will serve to emphasize the importance of effective voter turnout and campaign strategy.

# **Wynia Memorial Lecture**

Ken Shadlen will present the Wynia Lecture on Friday,parFebruary 22, 2019, on the topic of Coalitions and Compliance.subHe teaches in the Department of International Developmentphat the London School of Economics.200

Professor Shadlen works on the comparative and international political economy of development, with a focus on understanding variation in national policy responses to changing global rules. In recent years his research has focused on the global and cross-national politics of intellectual



property (IP). He is particularly interested in the implications that the new global IP regime presents for late development, and the various ways that the international norms and rules for IP are adopted at the national level and affect national practices. In his recent book, Coalitions and Compliance: The Political Economy of Pharmaceutical Patents in Latin America (Oxford University Press, 2017) he examines the different ways that countries introduced pharmaceutical

patents in the 1990s, and then subsequently revised their new pharmaceutical patent systems in the 2000s.

In a project with Bhaven Sampat ("TRIPS Implementation and Secondary Pharmaceutical Patenting: An Empirical Analysis") funded by the Economic and Social Research Council, they analyze the extent to which differences in national pharmaceutical patent systems, particularly different approaches toward applications for secondary patents, affect overall patenting patterns, and seek to understand the factors that account for differential effectiveness of national policies toward secondary patents.

Shadlen has also written extensively on the political economy of North-South trade agreements, examining the spread of regional and bilateral agreements, their implications for developing countries, and the relationship between regional/bilateral and multilateral trade agreements. His earlier work on changing patterns of government-business relations included *Democratization Without Representation: The Politics of Small Industry in Mexico* (Penn State University Press, 2004). Professor Shadlen is one of the managing editors of the *Journal of Development Studies*.

This event is sponsored by the Gary Wynia Memorial Lectureship in Latin American Political Economy. Professor Wynia taught in the Political Science Department from 1983 until 1995.



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# Nationalism & Xenophobia in Central & Eastern Europe Mihaela Czobor-Lupp, Faculty Director

During spring term of the 2017-2018 academic year, Professor Czobor-Lupp led a group of twenty Carleton students on an OCS Program in Romania and Serbia, on the topic of "Nationalism and Xenophobia in Central and Eastern Europe." The program was organized in collaboration with two major universities in Romania: The University of Bucharest, where Professor Czobor-Lupp taught before she moved to the United States in December 2000, and Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj, a city in the center of Transylvania.

The students learned about the factors that account for the rise of nationalism and xenophobia in Eastern and Central Europe. They also developed an appreciation of the role that civil society in Romania and Serbia can play in the formation of cosmopolitan sensibilities. Hopefully, many of them became more able to question their prejudices and stereotypes about Eastern and Central Europe, as a result of critical examination of their own nationalist and orientalist take on the rest of the world.

The program combined coursework with field trips. The coursework consisted of three courses: "Perceptions of Otherness in Modern Eastern and Central Europe," taught by Professor Czobor-Lupp, "Nation-Building in Central and Eastern Europe between Politics and Art," and "Challenges to the Nation-State in Eastern and Central Europe: Immigrants and Minorities," taught by local instructors.

While in Bucharest and attending classes at the University of Bucharest, the students met with representatives of a variety of NGOs, with members of the Jewish community and of the Roma minority. They also visited several museums, churches, synagogues, and mosques. The students also took three longer trips: a week-long trip through Transylvania, which included three days at the Babes-Bolyai University in Cluj, a weeklong trip to Serbia, and a weekend in Constanta, a port by the Black Sea. The students learned through these trips about the history of the German and Hungarian minorities in Romania, as well as their current status in the country, about the history and current politics of Serbia, and the history of the Black Sea region with a special focus on the ethnic diversity of this part of Romania.

It has been a very special experience for Professor Czobor-Lupp to take her students to Romania, her country of origin. While she hopes that the students have learned through their experiences in this program that criticizing others has no real value unless it is based on a serious and deep understanding of their society and culture, she is also confident that she became more able to see her own country of origin through the eyes of her traveler students and thus became more able to develop a critical perspective on Romania.

(See excerpts from OCS program blog on page 6.)

Above, front row: Francisco Castro '18, Mandy Duong '19, Emika Otsuka '20, Professor Mihaela Czobor-Lupp, Micalie Hunt '20, Anna Shao '20, Meredith Bergman '19. Middle row: Nick Cohen '18, Kate Hoeting '19, Justine Seligson '19, Amanda Jin '18, Natalie Sainz '20, Hannah Rittman '20, Chelsea Herrera '19, Rohan Mukherjee '19, Adam Wiener '19. Back row: Liesl Helminiak '19, Joey Gais '19, Alex Serrurier '19, Calvin Lundy '19, Justin Lee '19.

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1 Mandy Duong, Emika Otsuka & Justine Seligson enjoying a treat in Belgrade. 2 Group lunch at a Serbian restaurant. (3) Visiting Grgeteg, a Serb Orthodox monastery on Fruška Gora mountain in Vojvodina province. (4) Hannah Rittman, Chelsea Herrera & Natalie Sainz exploring Skadarlija, the main Bohemian quarter of Belgrade. (5) Hannah Rittman, Liesl Helminiak & Joey Gais at the Belgrade Fortress, Kalemegdan Park. 6 Wine tasting in Serbia. ⑦ In front of the Cotroceni Museum in Bucharest, Romania. The Museum is part of the Cotroceni Palace, where the Presidency is located.

# **Thoughts from Carleton students in Romania**

Students on the spring 2018 off-campus seminar, "Nationalism and Xenophobia in Central and Eastern Europe," wrote about their experiences in a blog. We share just a small sampling of their insightful writings below. Read more at https://blogs.carleton.edu/romania2018/

### What Should You Be? The Perception of Otherness in Romania Emika Otsuka '20



"Where are you from?"

"We are from the United States. All of us go to school in Minnesota."

"Yeah, but you must be from Japan, right?"

After I came to Romania, I got shocked—People keep staring at me to figure out what I am and sometimes even say "Konnichiwa" to me. At first, I got easily confused and did not really know how I was supposed to react to those people. I honestly felt a bit uncomfortable and offended although I am actually from Japan and did understand that people are just curious because they don't often see Asian people in Romania.

As I continued to think more about Romanian people's perception of otherness and why some people are trying to figure out my origin, I reached one conclusion: Romanian people have a strong conception and expectation on "What people should be/look like to be X." For example, when we heard from the NGO workers, the woman who works for the Roma said that Romanians have a stereotype that Roma people have darker skins, so some Romas who have lighter skins and blue eyes hide their identity as Roma to avoid discrimination. Another example, the man who works in the LGBTQ organization told us that a lot of Romanians think that "being Romanian is being Orthodox" and this conception prevents them from accepting homosexual and transgender people who deviate from the Orthodox Christian norms....

As we learned at the Institute for National Minorities in Cluj, phobias come from the emphasis on purity and social structures which define "the right place" to preserve the existing order. Even though the world has become more globalized and we interact with people from different backgrounds both physically and virtually on a regular basis, we keep trying to differentiate ourselves from others and it is very hard and seems almost impossible for us to construct universal identity as cosmopolitans. However, I want to question: Do outsiders really threaten solidarity and order? Has a uniform society ever existed in the first place? Is there any way in which diverse people coexist and cooperate with each other? I still want to believe in human beings' capacity to accept and embrace differences although it sounds naive and idealistic. Throughout this program, I would like to explore more about how people construct otherness and what we can do to overcome our differences to create a better world.

### Inhibited Expression & Other Thoughts on Language Liesl Helminiak '19

My motivation to learn Romanian stemmed from a desire to be able to navigate Bucharest independently and with



confidence. To interact with more grace than gesticulation, more language than charade, and of course to seek sincerity.

I grew up in the United States and learned English as my first language.... Inability to speak the predominant language means being cut off from a kind of currency. I still haven't learned enough Romanian to articulate 90% of the thoughts I have. With the amount of "currency" I've earned so far, I cannot afford to fully represent myself. As a result, I've been thinking about how I come across. I wonder what people assume about me, and how much stock they place in my intelligence after hearing my limited and broken Romanian. I wonder how long it takes, how far into an interaction I can get before I am simply labeled as an "other" whose most prominent trait is not her style or her humor but her language barrier.

I also wonder how long it would take to move past this oversimplification. How much time would someone have to spend with me to recognize that I am just as complex as they are, and typically able to choose from a much larger word bank? What is the threshold for how much more Romanian I must learn before I can reveal the elements of my personality that are constructed by the things I choose to say?...

### I wish I could tell people that my words are simple; I am not. But I don't know how to translate that.

If I tried to compare my experience with that of someone who enters the United States speaking as much English as I do Romanian, I think I would find more differences than similarities. For those of us on this program, learning Romanian is an extracurricular activity—leisurely, even. Fluency was not mandatory for my participation... and certainly not vital to my survival in this country. So I refuse to make this comparison. I chose to come to Bucharest in pursuit of a fulfilling academic experience and some interesting photographs. I've been praised at every turn for my attempts to learn Romanian.... I got a few exasperated scoffs, but no one threatened to cause me harm. I never had to respond to aggression provoked by my confusion. Nobody ever told me to leave Romania until I was fluent in Romanian.

My family is waiting for me in the United States, along with my job, my college career, my home, and my life. In June, I will return to familiar places and converse freely with familiar people about my adventures abroad. Over the course of the term, I've become more aware and more appreciative of this privilege to safely and simply resume.

# 2018 Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference

Grant Ackerman '19

Thanks to the Carleton College Political Science Department, I was able to attend the 2018 Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference (NAFAC). With an overarching theme of "Guarding Liberty in a World of Democratic Undoing," the conference brought together delegates from universities across the United States with midshipmen and cadets from service academies in America as well as U.S. treaty partners.

The programming of NAFAC included distinguished keynote speakers well versed in various facets of the topic of democratic undoing, including government officials, military officers, and think tank representatives. One especially memorable speaker was Dr. Timothy Snyder, author of *On Tyranny*.

In addition to these speeches, the core of NAFAC is small round table discussions. These fifteen groups were each assigned a specific topic under the guiding theme, and each delegate was tasked with preparing a short position paper within that topic. My group's focus was the role of a free press and media in terms of safeguarding democracy.

Due to the diverse makeup of our group, comprising American college students, USNA midshipmen, Navy ROTC delegates, representatives from the Polish, Brazilian, and German Naval Academies, as well as distinguished advisors, we were able to have in-depth discussions about the role of the press in democracy around the world. One of our advisors, a recently retired Marine Public Affairs Officer, had most recently served for years supporting the Commandant of the Marine Corps with press matters. Hearing his perspective was especially beneficial to our discussions.

Our group touched on topics ranging from the different mechanisms some regimes use to restrict media freedom, with China and Russia as primary case studies, to the role the United States can and should play in terms of promoting and enabling a freer press globally. The addition of foreign delegates' perspectives was especially interesting, both on the current press climate in the United States and the situations in the Philippines and Poland.

NAFAC concluded with an interactive crisis simulation, in which each group was assigned a role in a fictitious country struggling to retain democracy. Our group was cast as the principal newspaper of the country, and we had to navigate competing interests of the majority party, minority party, military, and private industry while preserving our journalistic integrity. The exercise was an excellent opportunity to put into practice some of the points our group discussed.

Overall, NAFAC was an incredibly positive and informative experience, the lessons from which I will carry with me for years to come. I would like to sincerely thank the Political Science Department for making my attendance possible.



**Grant Ackerman** '19 (at left) with other NAFAC participants, including American college students, USNA midshipmen, Navy ROTC delegates, representatives from the Polish, Brazilian, and German Naval Academies, as well as distinguished advisors. The group is pictured in front of Mahan Hall at the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

# Honors for the Class of 2018

Members of the Class of 2018 were honored at the Political Science Department Senior Dinner on May 23 and at Honors Convocation on May 25, 2018.



Walter Paul was awarded the *Stimson Prize*, which was founded in 1873 by Carleton Trustee Rev. Henry Stimson to encourage public speech. It is awarded to the student who contributes most to the quality of debate or public speaking at the College.



**Francisco Castro** received the *David John Field Prize*, established in 1984 by Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Field as a memorial to their son. The prize is awarded each year to a member of the senior class whose non-athletic activities best exhibit the qualities of imagination, ingenuity, energy,

verve, and zest for life which David Field, Class of 1964, exemplified.



**Damali Britton** received the *Second Century Student Award*, which 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.



**Urmila Kutikkad** received the *Technos International Prize*, awarded each year to a senior with a record of academic excellence and an interest in promoting international understanding. It is balanced by a similar award given by Carleton to a student at Technos International College in Tokyo.

**Pictured at the Senior Dinner,** at right: Mary Baumgartner receiving Certificate of Distinction for her comps paper. Next page: Prof. Richard Keiser visiting with Bolu Johnson. Next page at right: Departmental Curriculum Committee members Damali Britton & Julian Palmer were recognized by outgoing Department Chair Greg Marfleet. **Katherine Miles** received the *Pat Lamb Award*, established in 1994 by students, colleagues, and friends of Patricia A. Lamb, Professor of Physical Education, 1962 to 1994. The award is given annually to an outstanding senior female athlete who has achieved athletic excellence and a high level of academic achievement.



**Declan Falls** received the *Class of 1885 Prize*, awarded annually to the student submitting the best work of imagination in prose.

The *Mortar Board* national honor society recognizes students who have combined distinguished scholarship,

leadership, and service to their colleagues and the College community. Membership was bestowed upon the following seniors:

> Nick Cohen Moliang Jiang Toni Piedmonte-Lang

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

Mary Baumgartner Nick Cohen Abe Eichner Moliang Jiang Amanda Jin Amanda Klein Miko Zeldes-Roth

The Carleton chapter of Phi Beta Kappa national honorary scholastic fraternity was established in 1913 and elects its membership from students who rank in the highest fifteen percent of their graduating class and meet other prescribed criteria.

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### Honors for the Class of 2018, continued

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

**Mary Baumgarter** for her paper, "All the News That's Fit for Growth: The Growth Machine, Media, and Consequences in Milwaukee"

**Damali Britton** for her paper, "When the Stranger is No Longer Imaginary: An Argument for an Ethic of Care"

**Nick Cohen** for his paper, "Beyond Emergency Measures: Normative Politics after a Successful Securitization"

**Mary Kate Hall** for her paper, "From Catalonia to CONAIE: A Comparative Frame Analysis of State Responses to Ethnicity-Based Social Movements"

**Bennett Herson-Roeser** for his paper, "Rescuing Tocqueville from His Democratic Reader: An Interpretive Model"

Moliang Jiang for her paper, "Iterate Rights Across Particularities: A Cosmopolitan Vision for Refugee Protection"

**Bomi Johnson** for her paper, "Tsai Ing-wen and Park Geun-hye: Female Power and the Shaping of Political Movements in Countries with Confucian Roots"

**William Kay** for his paper, "The Opposition's Dilemma: System versus Ruling Party Attacks in Competitive Authoritarian Regimes"

Amanda Klein for her paper, "Micro Decisions to Macro Trends: Modeling Forced Migrant Populations in Times of Violent Conflict"

**Miko Zeldes-Roth** for his paper, "Jewishness and Zionism, Justice and Forgiveness: Approaching Binationalism in Israel/ Palestine"

2017-18 Student Departmental Advisers Mary Baumgartner and Bolu Johnson were recognized for their service. SDAs advise first-year students and others about course offerings and the major. *Departmental Curriculum Committee* members **Damali Britton** and **Julian Palmer** were recognized for their service. The DCC evaluates curriculum, advises on requirements, helps organize

departmental events, and generally serves as the formal voice of students in Department affairs (e.g., hiring).

# **Graduates' plans**

The Class of 2018 has taken off in varied directions. Here are a few of their plans:

**Mary Baumgartner** will be a fellow at OpenSky Policy Institute in Lincoln, Nebraska for the next year.

**Nick Cohen** plans to teach high school English in Detroit through Teach for America.

John Cronin starts his job as a Consultant with Booze Allen Hamilton in the DC Metro Area in August.

**Ian Doherty** is starting work in July at the Boston office of the insurance company Ironshore, where he'll be learning to underwrite commercial property insurance.

**Olivia Glen Rayner** will be serving as an AmeriCorps VISTA at YouthLink in Minneapolis as the Career Pathways Coordinator. YouthLink is a resource, opportunity, and support center for youth experiencing homelessness.

Mary Kate Hall will be serving as an AmeriCorps member next year in Austin, Texas, as a College Completion Coach with College Forward. She will mentor low-income, first generation, and undocumented college students to provide them with the support and resources necessary to complete an undergraduate degree.

**Katherine Miles** plans to work on two political campaigns in Illinois. She will work for Bob Morgan, who is a Democrat running for State Representative, and also for Kwame Raoul's Attorney General campaign. She will be the new JV volleyball coach at Maine South High School, which she attended.





# Visiting faculty bring unique perspectives



Alex Von Hagen-Jamar graduated from the Carleton Department of Political Science in 2005, and completed his PhD at the University of Michigan. He has been a post-doctoral researcher with the STANCE research program in the Department of Political

Science at Lund University, Sweden, and previously was a Global Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow at NYU Shanghai. His research and teaching focus on international relations, international security, state building and capacity, and empirical methodology. He will teach "The Costs of Conflict" winter term 2019 and "Leaders and Advisors: Who Makes Foreign Policy and Why Does It Matter" in spring 2019. He will also teach "International Relations and World Politics" in the fall and winter.

While at Lund University, Von Hagen-Jamar's research projects included his working paper "Preparing for War: Democratic Threat Responsiveness and Military Spending in the Long 19th Century." He also co-authored "Solving the Decider's Dilemma: Scapegoats, Foreign Affairs, and the Duration of Interstate War" with A. Quiroz Flores, Hanna Back and Jan Teorell.

His work has been published in the *Journal of Politics* ("Why State Constitutions Differ in their Treatment of Same-Sex Marriage," coauthored with Yanna Krupnikov, Adam Levine, Arthur Lupia, and Spencer Piston) and *Twin Research and Human Genetics* ("Fear and Attitudes Towards Torture and Preventive War," coauthored with Allan C. Stam and Alton B. H. Worthington.) He has won two APSA best paper awards, and the John W. Kingdon Award for Outstanding Teaching from the University of Michigan Department of Political Science. He has served as a reviewer for the Journal of Conflict Resolution, International Studies Quarterly, Conflict Management and Peace Science, and Cooperation and Conflict.



Jon Olson is a retired commander in the U.S. Navy. He will teach "Terrorism and Counterterrorism" during winter 2019, and "The U.S. Intelligence Community" in spring 2019. Olson's 21 years of service as an

intelligence officer included over three years of sea duty on aircraft carriers and large-deck amphibious assault ships; direct support to military operations in Iraq, Somalia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, East Timor, the Philippines, and Afghanistan; staff tours at U.S. Special Operations Command and the U.S. Navy Staff in the Pentagon; and serving as the U.S. Naval Attaché in Helsinki. His intelligence specialization was Human Intelligence (HUMINT) and he is a CIA-trained case officer.

Olson is an adjunct professor at Metropolitan State University in the School of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice. He earned a Bachelor of Science in History from the U.S. Naval Academy and a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College.

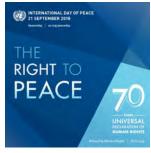
Olson has co-authored two fiction political/military/ thriller novels with David Bruns—*Weapons of Mass Deception* and *Jihadi Apprentice*. He and his wife Melissa live in Webster, Minnesota on a five-acre hobby farm with their six rescue dogs.

# **International Day of Peace Celebration**

The Northfield Human Rights Commission and the Department of Political Science will host a celebration to mark the United Nations International Day of Peace, which is celebrated around the world every September 21. This year's Peace Day celebrates the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: "The Right to Peace—The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70."

The event is scheduled for Friday, September 21, 6:30-9:00 pm in Severance Great Hall. It will begin with a reception and a formal commemoration of the United Nations International Day of Peace. A variety of musical and other performances will follow to celebrate the theme.

The event is supported by the Harold Stassen United Nations Lectureship Fund of Carleton College.



# **Majors honored**



Yunpeng Bai '19 was awarded a *Class* of 1963 Fellowship. He will examine the development of political identities in post-war Lebanon. He plans to collaborate with another student to translate and analyze campaign materials from the May 2018 national election—and through

this research, hopes to explore the reproduction of sectarian identities and wartime memory in electoral politics.



Jennifer Chan '19 was awarded a *Class* of 1963 Fellowship. She will research the British Empire's emancipation of slaves in 1833, specifically to investigate why South African slave owners were compensated less than West Indian ones. She will travel to London and

examine primary archival documents of British correspondence from 1828-1838, hoping to fill this gap in historical research.



**Christopher Lee '19** was awarded a *National Security Education Program David L. Boren Scholarship.* This award allows students to immerse themselves in cultures and languages that are critical to U.S. national security interests, but less commonly taught in the States. The applicant

identifies a country and language of importance and creates an itinerary that will result in language proficiency by the time they come back to fulfill a year of federal service.

Lee will use the Boren Scholarship to fund a year of study and internship at Korea University in Seoul. He will take classes exclusively in Korean, with an emphasis on Korean diplomacy, East Asian security, peninsular politics, and Korean history. "My principle objective in Seoul will be to soak up the political climate regarding the current South Korean administration, recent developments with North Korea, and the attitude towards China," Lee said. "I am extremely grateful for this opportunity not only because I have the privilege of living in Seoul during such a critical and unprecedented time, but also because the Boren Scholarship will serve, hopefully, as a catalyst for achieving my career aspirations of joining the Foreign Service."

**Lee,** Erik Lagerquist '19, Emma Dempsey '19, and Carolyn Ward '19 received the *Four Friends Fellowship*. They hope to increase the perceived accessibility of the Twin Cities by creating an interactive map of museums, restaurants, concert venues, biking excursions, etc. for Carleton students. The visual guide will be based on a week of adventures in the Cities this summer, also using interviews with faculty, students, and staff.



# Jonathan Elwell '19 was awarded an Independent Research Fellowship.

He will study the tension between environmental advocacy and economic development in Bolivia, by researching the controversial decision to build hydroelectric dams in Madidi National Park. Through an extensive

series of interviews, he will investigate the interests of various groups—and how this fits into a global picture.



### Andres Parra '19 was awarded a Center for Global and Regional Studies Junior Fellowship. He has used the fellowship to research grassroots peace building in Colombia by learning and marching with a feminist group called the Feminist Antimilitarism Network in

Medellin, and with workers' unions in Bogota. "The most challenging and unique experience, however, has been to meet with communities displaced by violence, who are now coming back to reclaim their ancestral lands after 10 years. Bad faith occupants took advantage of the conflict and multinationals want their land for monoculture in the Uraba region," Parra reported. "To combat this, they are building humanitarian zones where no armed actors are allowed and biodiverse zones that work toward food sovereignty and protect the environment. This peace building is done in the face of tangible threats and fear that I have witnessed in my time here."

Parra plans to build on his experience by attending the fall Nobel Peace Prize Forum at Augsburg University and by working with displaced communities in the Guajira region in education workshops. He credits networking with NGOs like Witness for Peace, Peace Brigades International, Justicia y Paz in Colombia, and of course the Global and Regional Studies Junior Fellowship, for his access to different communities and regions.



Natalie Sainz '20 was awarded a Mellon Graduate School Exploration Fellowship. She was among students selected by their colleges for the GSEF. They will begin by participating in the Annual Summit in Chicago on August 13-16, 2018. During the next two years

these GSEF fellows will have on-campus mentoring and activities, and will engage in a paid summer research internship in 2019 on the campus of a Big Ten Academic Alliance institution or the University of Chicago.

# **Faculty activities**



Laurence Cooper was awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship to support work on a book-length study of Jean-Jacques Rousseau's crowning work, *The Reveries of the Solitary Walker*. Rousseau's *Reveries* articulate the

meaning, requirements, and expressions of the philosophic life, a life that Rousseau deemed the most choice-worthy life for a human being but also a deeply problematic one. The most daunting demand of the philosophic life, and the focus of the *Reveries*' dramatic narrative, is the need to overcome certain fiercely held moral passions and prejudices. The NEH project title is "Virtue is Knowledge, and Other Demoralizing Thoughts: Rousseau's Reveries." The provisional book title is "Dreaming of Justice, Waking to Wisdom." Cooper's fellowship is one of just 74 awarded this year, only twelve of which went to faculty at liberal arts colleges. The NEH received approximately 1,100 applications.



Mihaela Czobor-Lupp contributed chapter 34, "Cosmopolitan Care," for the *Routledge International Handbook of Cosmopolitan Studies*, second edition, editor Gerard Delanty, Routledge, 2018. In the spring term she led her first OCS

program to Romania and Serbia on "Nationalism and Xenophobia in Central and Eastern Europe." (See article on page 4.)



**Christina Farhart** served as part of a panel for the League of Women Voters of Bloomington and Edina, Minnesota, titled, "Voter Suppression, Voting Rights & the Future of Democracy" in November 2017. In April 2018, Farhart also

delivered an invited talk titled, "Spinozan belief model and conspiracy endorsement: A motivated loser effect" at Hamline University as part of the symposium, "Belief Default Symposium: Implications of the Spinozan Belief Model for Science and Society." She also published an article in *Electoral Studies* titled, "Implicit Candidate Traits in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election: Replicating a Dual-Process Model of Candidate Evaluations" with coauthors Joseph Vitriol and Aleksander Ksiazkiewicz. Farhart's "Misinformation, Political Rumors, and Conspiracy Theories" course was featured this winter in Carleton Academics, Anatomy of a Class. Her research will also be featured in an upcoming video series by *HuffPost* in collaboration with co-author Joanne Miller.



**Kent Freeze**'s chapter "Economic Modernization and Political Attitudes in Contemporary China" is being published in the forthcoming volume *Governance Innovation and Policy Change: Re-Calibrations of Chinese Politics under Xi Jinping* edited by Nele

Noesselt and published by Lexington Books.



**Devashree Gupta** presented a paper titled "Online Neighborhoods and Spatial Effects in the Pro-Choice/Pro-Life Movement Community" at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago in April 2018. She also served as panel chair and discussant for a

separate panel on electoral and party system influence on political behavior. In November, Professor Gupta conducted a webinar for Carleton Connects on social movements, and reprised a version of the talk, titled "Social Movements and Protest in the Digital Age," as part of Reunion weekend. In August, she traveled to Beijing, China to teach a seven-day mini-course on ethnic conflict at Veritas Academy, an immersive liberal-arts experience for Chinese students (cofounded by Steve Bai, Class of 2019!)



**Richard Keiser** chaired the Williams-Harris Prize committee and the Lee Sigelman Prize committee at the college. He also served as the College liaison to the ACM Urban Studies Program. Jonathan Capehart '89 visited his "Presidential Elections,

Gridlock and Policy Strategy" class in the fall term. Professor Keiser was also formally recognized by the College as a Professor of American Studies in 2018. He served as a manuscript reviewer for *MJUR*, a journal that publishes undergraduate research from across the country. Professor Keiser also participated in a workshop that coincided with Minneapolis' hosting of the Super Bowl. The workshop focused on "Ending Human/Sex Trafficking in Minnesota."

### Summer 2018



**Tun Myint** delivered an invited lecture on "Citizen Science and Sustainability: How does individual knowledge relate to system level social-ecological interactions in the Pak Mun Dam case in Thailand?" at the Friday Forum, October 13, 2017

at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His lecture was sponsored by the Center for Southeast Asian Studies.



Al Montero will publish in spring 2019 the introduction to a special issue of *Latin American Politics and Society* that he co-organized and coauthored with former students, Lindsay Mayka '02 and Jessica Rich '00. The introductory article is titled,

"The Expanded Political Arena of Participatory Politics in Latin America." The special issue analyzes new forms of political participation in the region and outlines the ongoing research program in this field. Prof. Montero has also been engaged in College governance, serving as one of the task force leaders for Carleton's decennial reaccreditation and working on the search committee for a new Vice President of Admissions.



**Kimberly Smith,** Professor of Environmental Studies and Political Science, published a book, *Exploring Environmental Ethics*, AESS Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies and Sciences Series, Springer, 2018. She was awarded a

William Nelson Cromwell Foundation Grant to support archival research for her book project "The Conservation

Constitution: The Conservation Movement and Constitutional Change, 1870-1930." Her book examines the impact of the Progressive Era conservation movement on constitutional doctrine, explaining the role of the judiciary in creating the constitutional foundations of the modern environmental regulatory regime.



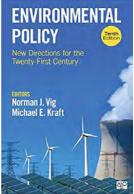


The Office of the Dean of the College announced the promotion of **Steven Schier** to Dorothy H. and Edward C. Congdon Professor of Political Science, Emeritus, effective January 1, 2018.



Norman Vig, Winifred and Atherton Bean Professor of Science, Technology, and Society, Emeritus, has edited a new book with Michael E. Kraft: *Environmental Policy: New Directions for the Twenty-First Century,* Tenth Edition. Amazon notes, "Authoritative and

trusted, Environmental Policy once again brings together top scholars to evaluate the changes and continuities in American environmental policy since the late 1960s and their implications for the twenty-first century . . . the underlying trends, institutional constraints, and policy dilemmas that shape today's environmental politics."



# From the Chair, continued

whole range of issues: what kinds of knowledge and skills we want our majors to have when they graduate Carleton, what kind of department culture we want to foster, how we assess learning outcomes, and more. We will continue to discuss these questions in the coming year and experiment with changes that move our department in productive directions. On our list of considerations: a curriculum reform that streamlines the major and makes it easier for students to develop thematic expertise in areas that can help them build bridges to future graduate study or the workforce; a long-overdue re-envisioning of the way we teach methodology and foster research skills; and new programming ideas to develop a stronger sense of esprit de corps among students, faculty and staff in the department. We are excited about these new directions and believe that they will produce an even more energizing environment in which to teach and learn. I look forward to reporting back the fruits of these efforts in the coming years.

Devashree Gupta

## **MPSA presentations**

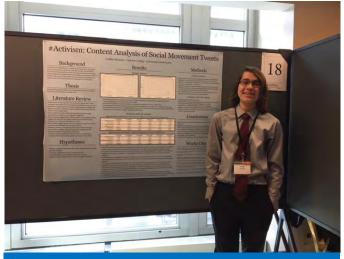
Several Political Science/International Relations majors attended the 76th Annual Midwest Political Science Association meeting in Chicago on April 5-8, 2018. Samantha Haiken '18, Jordan Sybesma '19 and Mary Kate Hall '18 presented posters of their Senior Integrative Exercise papers. They were advised by Professor Dev Gupta.



Samantha Haiken '18 presented "We're not violent, we act according to the law: How strategic framing helps Lehava avoid government repression."



Mary Kate Hall '18 presented "From Catalonia to CONAIE: A Comparative Frame Analysis of State Responses to Ethnicity-Based Social Movements."



Jordan Sybesma '19 presented "#Activism: Content Analysis of Social Movement Tweets."

# **Create an Alumni Profile**

Remember what it was like when you were a student at Carleton, trying to sort through the often overwhelming career options? Alumni have a perspective that students and recent graduates do not, and you can open doors to opportunities to help them as they make the transition to their life after Carleton. Create an Alumni Profile!

An alumni profile is an online profile for the Carleton community which indicates to current students and recent graduates that you're eager to talk about your career path, share advice, and provide insights on how you got from *here* to *there*.

Students are able to explore career options by reading alumni profiles and some may even reach out to gain advice on how to prepare and apply for internships or entry-level positions in your field.

By creating an alumni profile, you are not obligated to develop long-term mentoring relationships with students who may contact you; nor are you expected to hire a student for a job or internship. Your advice and wisdom is all that we seek.

To learn more about creating an alumni profile, visit <u>go.carleton.edu/beaguide</u>. Questions? Contact Sarah Wolfe in the Career Center at <u>swolfe@carleton.edu</u>.

# Alumni updates

### <u>1985</u>

**Tracie L. Washington**, MPA, JD, MBA, Certified Compliance & Ethics Professional. Thought I'd share that after five years at Dillard University serving as Adjunct Professor in Department of Political Science, I'm moving on to



Tulane University, same position in its Department of Political Science, beginning this fall 2018. I'm incredibly excited about the move and looking forward to the fall.

### 1986

**Michael Alvarez**, Professor, Caltech. I was recently elected a Fellow in the American Academy of Arts & Sciences (<u>https://www.amacad.org/content/members/newfellows.aspx?s=a</u>).

### 2000

**Brent Cusher**, Associate Professor , Department of Leadership and American Studies, Christopher Newport University, Newport News, VA. In March I published an edited volume with my colleague Mark Menaldo titled "Leadership and the Unmasking of Authenticity: The Philosophy of Self-Knowledge and Deception." The book was published with Edward Elgar Press in the New Horizons in Leadership Studies series. More importantly, I just returned home from leading CNU's annual study abroad course on cross-cultural leadership in Maastricht, The Netherlands. I was one of the students who had his life changed when attending the Maastricht program with Professor Norm Vig in spring 1999! It is wonderful to spend time in that city once again.

### <u>2001</u>

Megan (Clymer) Haddock, International Research Projects Manager, Johns Hopkins Center for Civil Society Studies and Program Manager, International Society for Third Sector Research. Hey - I published a book (third author but that still counts, right?). It's about civil society around the world and the political, economic, and societal forces have resulted in the different types of civil societies we see today. Putnam's Making Democracy Work in Italy concluded that something about the history of Italy is the cause of the major differences we see in civil society in the Northern and Southern parts of the country. Our book, in short, explains what that "something" is. Should you care to take a look: Explaining Civil Society Development: A Social Origins Approach, Lester Salamon, S. Wojciech Sokolowski, and Megan A. Haddock; Johns Hopkins University Press, 2017. My next project is to work with Rotary International to help them find out how much time their club members give in volunteer effort around the world. 1.3 million members, 35,000 clubs....should be fun!



**David Strandness**, Director of Legal, Lumosity, San Francisco. I'm enjoying living in the Bay Area with my wife Renee and dog Juneau.

### <u>2002</u>

Allison Swan, Community Organizing Consultant. After a decade of working for various federations in the PICO National Network (now Faith in Action)—the largest faith-based grassroots community organization in the country—I am now at home with my 18 month old son and training organizers part time. I am serving on the Board of a

community organizing group in the SF Bay Area that helped develop rapid response network for immigrants in jeopardy of deportation and is fighting for affordable housing and reforming our criminal justice system.



Jessica Yarnall Loarie, Sierra Club, Senior Attorney, Oakland, California. Isabella Eleanor Robbins Loarie joined us on March 19, 2018. Madeleine is excited for her new role as big sister. I was promoted to senior attorney at the Sierra club where I continue to work on reducing the use of coal and transitioning to a clean energy economy.

### <u>2004</u>

**Trevor McNeil**. Still teaching 7th graders during the day and raising three kids under three by night. However I'm also thrilled to announce that I'm running for the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, so that's some big news. *(Continued on page 16.)* 

Find contact info for alumni at go.carleton.edu/alumni

### Alumni updates, continued

### 2006

**Morgan Weiland**, Stanford Law School's Center for Internet and Society Junior Affiliate Scholar and outgoing Lecturer in Law, has been awarded the 2018 Harry W. Stonecipher Award for Distinguished Research in Media Law and Policy for her 2017 article, "Expanding the Periphery and Threatening the Core: The Ascendant Libertarian Speech Tradition." The *Stanford Law Revi*ew (May 2017) article, uncovers a new theory undergirding the First Amendment's expansion to include commercial and corporate speech.



The Stonecipher Award, granted by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), recognizes the top scholarship published over the prior year on media law and policy. Weiland accepted the award at the organization's annual conference on August 7.

Weiland is the first graduate student to win the award. She proposed, helped design, and is in the process of completing the first joint degree JD/PhD program between Stanford Law School, where she graduated in 2015, and Stanford's Communication Department, where she is a PhD candidate. She will be clerking on the Ninth Circuit during 2018-19.

### <u>2007</u>

**Kate Knutson**, Senior Associate, Bentz Whaley Flessner, Minneapolis. In June 2018, I started a new job as a Senior Associate consultant at Bentz Whaley Flessner in the Twin Cities. I'll be doing fundraising consulting.

Andrew Navratil. In May 2018, I graduated summa cum laude from Georgia State University College of Law! In October I begin a two-year clerkship with Hon. Mark Cohen, U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

### <u>2008</u>

**Shannon Carcelli**. In May I successfully defended my doctorate in political science at UC San Diego. This fall, I will move to Princeton for a post-doctoral fellowship at the Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance. Following that, I will join the faculty in the Department of Government and Politics at the University of Maryland, College Park.

**David Schraub**, Lecturer in Law and PhD Candidate, UC-Berkeley. Jill Rodde '09 and I are getting married this September at the Lumber Exchange in Minneapolis. In attendance will be a plethora of Carleton alums, as well as our two comps advisers—Dev Gupta and Kim Smith.

**Emily Walz**. I was selected as one of the inaugural class of Next-Generation Scholars with the American Mandarin Society. <u>http://www.mandarinsociety.org/next-generation-scholars-for-2018/</u>

### 2009

**Michelle Gajewski**, Campaign Manager, Fred Hubbell for Governor. I've now been managing Fred Hubbell's campaign for Governor of Iowa for over a year. Fred recently won the Democratic nomination decisively and as we barrel towards Election Day in November, I'm looking for all possible Carls interested and available to fill campaign positions at all levels. My hope is lots of fellow Carls are able to hop right over the border to work and volunteer in a "TOSS UP" election (according to Cook Political Report).

### <u>2011</u>

**Trevor Hill**. After five years working in the solar energy industry in the San Francisco Bay Area, I will be moving to Boston this fall to attend Harvard Business School. I hope to return to the renewable energy industry after completing the two-year program.

### <u>2012</u>

Justin Jack, Associate, Adams and Reese, LLP, Baton Rouge, LA. Recently moved from Lake Charles, Louisiana, where I served as a judicial law clerk to the Chief Judge of the Louisiana Third Circuit Court of Appeal, to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to work for a law firm here in Baton Rouge. http://www.adamsandreese.com/justin-a-jack/

### 2013

**Sana Rafiq**, Consultant, Boston Consulting Group. I'm working as a consultant with Boston Consulting Group in Washington DC. My focus is on applying behavioral economics to social development and health care strategy cases.

### <u>2016</u>

**Gabriela Olvera**, Minneapolis. I will be starting a grad school program this fall at the Humphrey School of Public Policy for a master's in Urban and Regional Planning (MURP). I was awarded the Krusell Fellowship, which is a full -ride scholarship intended for students of color who will pursue a career in Community Planning and Housing in the Twin Cities. I am very excited to start!

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