

BRIEFS

Fellowship Opportunity at the University of Michigan's Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies

During the 2011–12 academic year, the University of Michigan's Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies will host a group of academics to examine the theme of "Jews and Political Life," with Professor Gitelman serving as head fellow. Scholars will be invited to reconsider Jewish political thought and behavior in sovereign and diasporic conditions. Jewish ideas are largely absent from the academic study of political theory, and political analysis has little place in Judaic studies, despite renewed interest in a Jewish political tradition. The theme aims to mitigate these two absences by studying and bringing to light Jewish political ideas and patterns of Jewish political behavior, identifying what they share with other traditions and what is unique to them.

Additional information and applications can be found at http://www.lsa.umich.edu/judaic/html/2011_12_3_3_4.htm. The application deadline is Friday, October 22, 2010; fellowships will be announced in February 2011.

Contact Kimberly Kunoff at kunoff@umich.edu with any questions regarding the Frankel Institute or the fellowship application process.

NCAPSA Names New Council Members

At its July 26, 2010, annual business meeting, the National Capital Area Political Science Association (NCAPSA) elected new council members: Frances E. Lee, University of Maryland, as president-elect; Michael Brintnall, APSA, as secretary-treasurer; and David Karol, American University and fellow at the Cen-

ter for Congressional and President Studies; Michael P. McDonald, George Mason University and non-resident senior fellow at the Brookings Institution; and J. Brinton Rowdybush, U.S. Department of State as council members.

They will join continuing council members Elizabeth Mary Boles, NCAPSA president and policy consultant; Valerie Heitshusen, Congressional Research Service; Hillel Weinberg, Iraq Inspector General; and Donald Wolfensberger, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Code of Best Practices in Fair Use for Scholarly Research in Communication Published by International Communication Association

A committee of communication scholars within the International Communication Association recently created a code of best practices in fair use for scholarly research in communication. The process was coordinated by Patricia Aufderheide and Peter Jaszi at American University, and the code was reviewed by a legal advisory board. According to the document:

This document is a code of best practices that helps U.S. communication scholars to interpret the copyright doctrine of fair use. Fair use is the right to use copyrighted material without permission or payment under some circumstances—especially when the cultural or social benefits of the use are predominant. It is a general right that applies even in situations where the law provides no specific authorization for the use in question.

This guide identifies four situations that represent the current consensus within the community of communication scholars about acceptable practices for the fair use of copyrighted materials.

More information and the complete code can be found at <http://centerforsocialmedia.org/fair-use/related-materials/codes/code-best-practices-fair-use-scholarly-research-communication>.

Inaugural International Policy Summer Institute (IPSI) to Be Held in Washington, DC, June 13–17, 2011

Announcing the inaugural International Policy Summer Institute (IPSI), a professional development program for assistant professors and post-docs in the field of international relations interested in building the tools and networks for pursuing and disseminating policy-relevant academic research, to be held June 13–17, 2011. IPSI, which is part of the Berkeley-Duke-George Washington Universities Bridging the Gap Project, includes workshops with executive branch and congressional policymakers, interest groups, NGOs, academics, and think tank researchers, focusing on policy processes and the roles that academic research can play within them; interactive communications and media training, including discussions with publishers, journalists, and new media experts; network-building opportunities with fellow scholars and members of the policy community; and lectures and colloquia with leading IR faculty engaged in policy relevant scholarship. Principals for the overall Bridging the Gap Project are Jim Goldgeier (GWU), Bruce Jentleson (Duke), and Steve Weber (Berkeley); Directors are Naazneen Barma (Naval Postgraduate School) and Ely Ratner (RAND); host is the GWU Elliott School Institute for Global and International Studies. Major funding is provided by the Carnegie Corporation of New York. For more information on application deadlines and requirements, visit the Bridging the Gap Web site at <http://www.gwu.edu/~btg/>.

Association of Chinese Political Studies Elects New Officers

At the 23rd annual meeting of the Association of Chinese Political Studies (ACPS) from July 30 to August 1 at Endicott College in Massachusetts, the ACPS announced/elected its new Board of Directors for 2010–12: President: Jean-Marc F. Blanchard (associate

professor, San Francisco State University); President-Elect: John J. Kennedy (associate professor, University of Kansas); Treasurer: Edward Yi Yang (assistant professor, James Madison University); Membership Director: Wei Liang (associate professor, Monterey Institute of International Studies); Publicity Director: Fujia Lu (associate director, Endicott College); and Secretary and Newsletter Editor: Julie Zeng (assistant professor, Florida State University). The ACPS was founded in 1986 and is one of the largest international organizations dedicated to the study of Chinese politics. Individuals interested in learning more can visit the ACPS Web site at <http://www.acpsus.org>.

Pi Sigma Alpha Announces 2009–10 Award Winners

Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society, is pleased to announce the winners of its awards for 2009–10. All winners are members of Pi Sigma Alpha.

Howard Penniman Scholarships for Graduate Study in Political Science

Cyrus Aghamolla, University of Maryland-College Park

Stefanie M. Costa, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Elizabeth M. Livengood, Emory University

Emily E. Toops, University of Pennsylvania

Scholarships for Washington Internships

Michael Alilionis, Hofstra University

Kelly Lynn Boles, Vanderbilt University

Andrea Forward, SUNY Cortland

Fallon Kortmann, Rutgers University

Jessica Lamendola, SUNY Oneonta

Matthew Wiseman, Ohio Northern University

Best Undergraduate Honors Theses

First Place: "A Global Analysis of Women in Political Office: The Disjuncture between Elections and Appointments," Alexa Leigh Sendukas, University of Texas at Austin

Runner-Up: "Competing to Become Backward: A Study of Demands for Scheduled

Tribe Status in India," Komal Hiranandani, Georgetown University

Runner-Up: "Economic Survival Mode and its Detrimental Effect on the Rule of Law: A Case Study in Argentina," Caryn Devins, University of Vermont

Best Undergraduate Class Papers

First Place: "Modeling Consensus with Think Indifference: A Fuzzy Approach to Theory and Application," Michael Gibilisco, Creighton University

First Place: "Professional Reputation: Why the First Year of the Presidency is Overstated," Nicholas Jacobs, University of Mary Washington

Runner-Up: "Obscenity Regulation within the Context of Public Support of Art: Reconsidering the Scatological Art of Andres Serrano," Ryan Cribbs, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

Best Chapters, Schools with under 6,000 Enrollment

Zeta Upsilon Chapter, Union College—Professor Zoe Oxley, Chapter Advisor

Rho Beta Chapter, East Central University—Professor Christine Pappas, Chapter Advisor

Alpha Delta Gamma Chapter, Lewis University—Professor Laurette Liesen, Chapter Advisor

Best Chapters, Schools with 6,000–15,000 Enrollment

Zeta Psi Chapter, Morgan State University—Professor Alice Jackson, Chapter Advisor

Theta Alpha Chapter, Creighton University—Professor James Wunsch, Chapter Advisor

Pi Chi Chapter, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh—Professor Druscilla Scribner, Chapter Advisor

Best Chapters, Schools with over 15,000 Enrollment

Delta Upsilon Chapter, California State University—Chico—Professor Mahalley Allen, Chapter Advisor

Epsilon Epsilon Chapter, University of Texas at El Paso—Professor Taeko Hiroi, Chapter Advisor

Eta Zeta Chapter, University of Missouri—Kansas City—Professor Elizabeth Miller, Chapter Advisor

Sigma Mu Chapter, University of Central Oklahoma—Professors Hardt and Sharp, Chapter Advisors

Seeking Nominations for APSA Officers and Council Members

The APSA Nominating Committee welcomes your suggestions for 2011 candidates for eight Council seats, three vice presidencies, and the offices of president-elect, secretary, and treasurer. Council members serve staggered two-year terms. The president-elect, vice presidents, and secretary serve one-year terms, and the office of treasurer serves a two-year term.

The Nominating Committee encourages all members of the association to suggest fellow members for consideration. Those wishing to do so should explain why they believe the person's accomplishments, background, and views would make him or her a good choice for a leadership position. The Nominating Committee hopes to nominate a slate of accomplished scholars and practitioners who reflect the diverse membership of the association. To achieve this goal, they rely on the membership to forward suggestions and recommendations. Please send suggestions by mail or e-mail (nominations@apsanet.org) or by visiting the Web site at www.apsanet.org/nominations by January 14, 2011.

The Nominating Committee will meet in February to begin compiling a slate of candidates. A report will be published in the July issue of PS.

Members of the Nominating Committee include John Ishiyama, University of North Texas; Walter R. Mebane, Jr., University of Michigan; Kay Lehman Schlozman, Boston College; Mary L. Shanley, Vassar College; Rogers M. Smith, University of Pennsylvania; Susan L. Woodward, CUNY.

Seeking Nominations for APSA Committees

APSA President-elect Bingham Powell welcomes your suggestions for members of the various APSA standing and awards committees for 2011. Typically, members of the standing committees serve a staggered three-year term, and the members of the awards committees serve a one-year term.

Please send suggestions to APSA by mail or e-mail (nominations@apsanet.org) or by visiting the Web site at www.apsanet.org/nominations by January 14, 2011. ■