

Politics

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SPRING 2016

greetings from the chair

Spring is in the air here in Toronto. Stephen Clarkson, a vital member of the Department for many decades, would be enjoying it. Alas, we lost him in February, and a tribute to him features within. As he would undoubtedly be happy to note, his kind of energy is constantly being renewed in the Department.



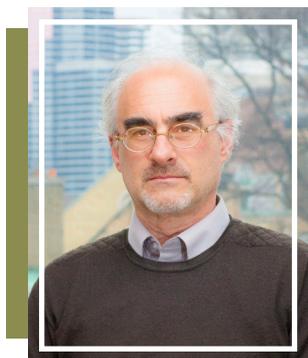
New faculty members are thriving, and so are their families. This winter alone, we welcomed the children of Theresa Enright and Jonathan Craft. This issue highlights many other faculty and student accomplishments.

We also recently completed our once-in-a-decade 'self-study' and external evaluation. Three eminent professors from peer institutions visited and rigorously evaluated our teaching, our research, our leadership of many units inside the university, and our overall achievements. They noted our top twenty ranking in North America and our number one position in Canada, calling us "one of Canada's and the world's pre-eminent political science departments, and one of the largest." They continued, "The Department has brought together an engaged, active, productive faculty and has recently refreshed itself with the recruitment of excellent young faculty. It has one of the happiest and most satisfied groups of faculty, students, and staff we have ever encountered." And behind them all are our outstanding graduates and an expanding network of friends and supporters. Stephen Clarkson's successors are here and ready to take up the challenge. As you will also see, the Department he did so much to build remains a vibrant place.

Louis W. Pauly

departmental dispatches

updates from our departmental officers



Ronald Beiner

Acting Chair, UTM

I'm happy to report that it's been another gratifying year as UTM Acting Chair. I participated in the appointment of two impressive young scholars as new tenure-track UTM colleagues: Alison Smith and Noel Anderson. Alison is a scholar of public policy concerning homelessness and is currently completing her PhD at Université de Montreal. Noel is a scholar of third-party intervention in civil wars, focusing on the case of Angola; he is currently completing his PhD at MIT, and during 2016-17 will hold a post-doctoral fellowship at Dartmouth College. They will join the UTM department in July, 2017.

A notable event held at UTM was a Department of Political Science-sponsored Public Affairs Lecture on March 30th, given by Doug Saunders of *The Globe and Mail*. The title of his lecture was 'Europe's Divisive Newcomers: Migration, Integration and the Policy Roots of a Continental Crisis.'



Steven Bernstein

Associate Chair &
Graduate Director,
St George

We are pleased to launch our online 'PhD profiles' page, which offers information on all students who have achieved candidacy, and our 'Hire a Student' page, which profiles our senior PhD students (and recent grads) currently on the job market.

We will soon launch an alumni/placement page that shows just how successful our graduates have been! Our PhD graduates can be found at virtually every major university in Canada and many leading universities around the world. We hope the page will serve as a reminder to prospective hiring committees of the quality of our graduates and, for prospective students, the strength of our program.

In other news, we are hosting a special event later in the summer to highlight the research travel of our graduate students and to express our gratitude to the donors who have made this research possible through awards named in their honour.



Rodney Haddow

Associate Chair &
Undergraduate Director,
St George

A particularly gratifying celebration held every January are our undergraduate awards reception when we honour our most outstanding students. The event was well attended by recipients' proud families and friends, donors, and departmental faculty and staff. It reminds us that our best students are truly outstanding and a pleasure to teach and learn alongside.

The awards would not be possible without the generosity of donors, many of whom are past students or faculty in our department. The diversity of their interests and subsequent lives is reflected in some of the awards themselves, which recognize student excellence in such areas as international relations, Canadian politics, research methods and public policy.

Other awards honour students who excel in a particular year of study or programme, or in the discipline as a whole.



Grace Skogstad

Chair, UTSC

Spring is a time to celebrate the many achievements of our faculty and students over the past academic term. Congratulations to Lucan Way on his promotion to Full Professor, to Alison Braley-Rattai on her Professor of the Year Award, and to Aisha Ahmad for her multi-year grant to research modern jihadist conflicts.

Students chalking up awards include Camille Galindez and Natasha Allen, both recipients of a Cressy Award. Kudos, too, to our Political Science Student Association on the publication of its second edition of *Res Publica*. Spring is also a time to thank all those who have contributed to these achievements, not least our dedicated administrative staff of Sue-Ann Hicks, Viola Shtylla, Marishka Pereira, Audrey Glasbergen, and Brigitte Gonzalez.

And finally, looking ahead, we welcome Torrey Shanks, a specialist in early modern political thought, joining us in the fall.

in memoriam:
Stephen Clarkson
 1937–2016

Teacher, father, scholar, true patriot.

We remember Stephen Clarkson, BA, MA, D de Rech, OC, FRSC, and Fellow of Massey College.

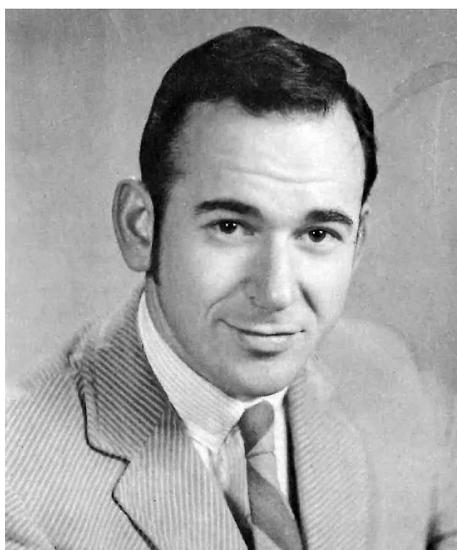
We mourn the passing of a respected colleague and devoted mentor to generations of our faculty members and students. Stephen Clarkson joined the department of Political Economy in 1964, as he was completing his doctorate from the Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques, Sorbonne, Université de Paris. He previously earned an MA in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics at the University of Oxford where he was a Rhodes Scholar. In 1959, a few years after graduating at the top of his class at Upper Canada College, he completed his undergraduate studies in modern history and modern languages at the University of Toronto at Trinity College.

He was a scholar's scholar, a forceful public intellectual, and a model teacher. After the department was reorganized in 1982, Stephen remained a leading light in the field of Canadian political economy. A passionate promoter of Canada all his life, his nationalist sympathies and deeply analytical critiques of global, regional, and national policy developments led to many contributions to academic and political life. Lately, he was hard at work on a major study of comparative regionalism in a global economy and he taught many of our best students literally until the very end.

“He taught me how to be a scholar and also set an example of how to be a good human being.”

Brent Jolly

Stephen's scholarship was well recognized. He won many top awards, fellowships, and prizes over the course of his distinguished career. What would have meant most to



Stephen Clarkson in 1969, when he ran as the Liberal candidate for Mayor of Toronto.

him however, were the ample tributes that poured into the department from so many of his former students. The reminiscence of Brent Jolly was typical: “When I was his student in the MA program, he proposed that I help him update a chapter in *Dependent America*, and I extended this to a project that examined the politics of North American counter-narcotics policy. Our discussions were always wide-ranging and intellectually rigorous. Being good just wasn't good enough. He taught me how to be a scholar and also set an example of how to be a good human being, fully engaging with others in cross-generational communities of mutual respect. He was a remarkable scholar and an exemplary gentleman.”

The prominent journalist Andrew Mitrovica, who was a student in Stephen's third-year undergraduate course nearly twenty-five years ago, had this to say in *iPolitics*: “He

was a person who loved Canada, thought about it, worried about where it was going and wrote about it - a lot. He set an example for all of his students, imploring us to think about and care for Canada. I never missed a lecture. Each one was a memorable two-hour performance. During the term, I migrated from the back of the classroom to the front row. Towards the end of the school year, I asked for his advice about whether I should go to graduate school. He paused for a moment. “How about becoming my research assistant?” he said. Flattered and in shock, I agreed immediately. I don't remember walking home that day. I think I flew. His gesture of confidence in me, in the idea that I had something to offer the rarified world of scholarship he inhabited, became one of the defining moments of my life.”

Stephen left behind his beloved wife, Nora Born, daughters Kyra, Blaise, and Ashley, and their growing families. His many relatives, friends, and students established a permanent endowment in the Department to support the annual award of an undergraduate scholarship in his name.

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Andrew Mitrovica

As an expression of remembrance, donations to the Stephen Clarkson Scholarship in Political Economy continue to be gratefully received at www.donate.utoronto.ca/politicalscience

Louis W. Pauly

undergrad talk

facets of student life from three of our undergraduates

Why Mentorship Matters

Jenique Kennedy



I applied to the Political Science mentorship program because I was looking for academic and career advice as I approached graduation. I was matched with Barbara Dick, now the Assistant VP of Alumni Relations at the University of Toronto. Barbara is an exceptional mentor who has contributed greatly to my academic and personal growth. I've learned how important it is to use all resources available to me to better position myself for the future. I've also become more aware of how important flexibility is. Being willing to try different things is fundamental to future success. Graduation is just around the corner after which I hope to pursue graduate studies in public policy. Ultimately, I want to have a career working for the provincial or federal government in public policy and administration. The mentorship program has been an invaluable resource at the University. The program reassured me that I have someone who has previously been in my position who supports my career goals and can guide me on my journey. Having a mentor has given me a whole new level of confidence. I now know that mentorship is about much more than helpful advice. It's about personal growth and has been one of the most memorable experiences I've had at the University of Toronto.

Studying in Toronto

Illia Maslyansky



Russian and Ukrainian politics is something that my parents often discussed over dinner, so my decision to study political science was likely fueled by those discussions. I chose to study at the University of Toronto because of its prestige. Both my family and I thought it would be ideal to attend a high-ranking university while experiencing a big city. Initially it was difficult to adjust to living on my own as I left my family in Ukraine at just seventeen, but I soon got used to my environment. I have set high standards for myself and think that it was my pursuit of excellence and a desire to achieve personal and academic goals that has kept me focused. Coming to U of T was undoubtedly the best decision of my life. It has allowed me to develop important interdisciplinary skills and challenge myself. It has not always been easy, but it has been immensely rewarding and satisfying to see the results of my work. I believe that U of T attracts some of the brightest students, and I've had the pleasure of becoming friends with extremely talented young scholars. After graduation I plan to work in Canada for a year to become a permanent resident. I'll likely pursue a Master's degree in political science or public policy in Canada or the U.S. specializing in Eastern European politics because of my interest in Russia. Taking that interest to the next academic level seems like a logical step to me.

Learning in Lisbon

Julie Yamamura



For a week in February, I accompanied Professor Stephen Clarkson on a research trip to Portugal along with three other students. Our project focused on Portugal's political and economic relationship with the European Union, its former colonies and North America. We attended meetings with officials, analysts, and researchers at ministries, universities, law firms, and private companies and gathered information that we wouldn't have had access to in Toronto. I found it interesting that a strong European identity was deeply embedded in Portugal's political elites and citizens at large. On reflection, the week in Lisbon now seems like a dream because of how incredibly rewarding the experience was and how dramatically the situation has changed since our return. We were all extremely shocked and saddened by Professor Clarkson's sudden passing. We are, however, determined to finish our project for him. We're working on our final collective paper that incorporates our pre-fieldwork research and the findings from the trip. Producing the best paper possible will be our way of expressing our gratitude for the opportunity not only to conduct research in Portugal, but also to work with such a dedicated and enthusiastic scholar.

L-R: Noah Schouela, Stephen Clarkson, Alissa Wang, Julie Yamamura, and Haris Yaqeen.

faculty talk

our faculty on the possibility of the first female U.S. president and a sabbatical year in China

Musing on Sabbatical

Lynette Ong



My sabbatical year had to be one of information gathering. My decision to spend it in China was an attempt to keep my finger on the pulse of a rapidly changing society.

Under the current Xi Jinping administration, the government has imposed ever tighter control on society. Most Chinese netizens can only surf the country's Intranet, thanks to the Great Firewall built by the government and policed by its hordes of paid minions.

Needing to gather information, I had to scale the Great Firewall. I bought a Virtual Private Network (VPN) subscription which enabled me to read my email, access social media, Google Scholar and read *The New York Times* which cost just over US\$100 for a six-month membership. Four years ago, it was just US\$5 a month. Such is the increasing cost of conducting academic research in an authoritarian state.

On the bright side, some information has become more easily accessible here. When I last lived in Beijing, I developed relentless cold symptoms, a direct result of the ex-

tremely polluted air. I wore no protection as there was no way of knowing how poor the air quality was. Now apps are available that allow you to check air quality hourly and by location. Of course, the information dissemination is sanctioned by the government as it's increasingly aware of the environmental cost of its growth model, and the toll on the health of its citizens.

As I wrap up this sabbatical year, I'm looking forward to returning to Toronto and integrating what I've learned into my pedagogy. In a world where we have so much information at our disposal, it's very easy to take the freedom and unfettered access to that information for granted. A luxury to many, this right to access to information is worth fighting for and defending.

Imagining Madam President

Sylvia Bashevkin



The Gallup organization asked Americans in 1937 if they would vote for a female presidential candidate if she were qualified "in every other respect." Close to two-thirds of respondents told pollsters they would not endorse a woman nominee.

Eighty years after Gallup's survey, Hillary Rodham Clinton may arrive at the White House as commander-in-chief. Massive social changes during recent decades help to explain that turnaround, as revealed in data showing many citizens prefer women candidates. Research shows female contenders for public office are seen as more oriented toward local community service than the men they run against. When issues of war and peace are at the forefront of American civic debate, a gender gap emerges which gives Democrats a significant advantage among women voters. Electoral turnout in important segments of the US population is higher among females than males.

The possibility of a woman president raises the crucial question of what difference it makes if Clinton sits in the Oval Office. In symbolic terms, the effects are bound to be considerable simply because every girl across America would see herself as potentially the top political executive. This cultural message is hard to underestimate, given that Margaret Thatcher's

ascension to 10 Downing Street reverberated for decades in patterns of recruitment to British law programs and political parties.

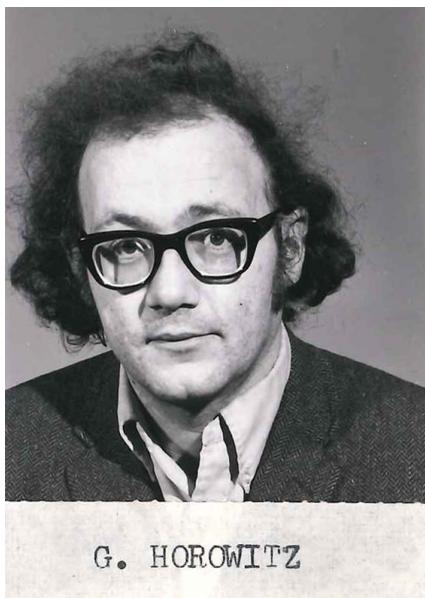
At the level of social cohesion and trust, a pattern whereby America's first black president is succeeded by the first woman could also prove beneficial. This trend promises to renew, at least temporarily, confidence in the potential for upward mobility and challenge a widespread public sense of insecurity and blocked opportunities.

Finally, victory for Hillary Rodham Clinton may hold major substantive consequences. She entered the 2016 campaign with a consistent track record favouring women's rights, children's rights and an assertive US foreign policy built on people-to-people diplomacy. Judging by her dominance during the Democratic primary season, millions of Americans view her as both ready and qualified for the presidency.

focus on emeritus

The Subversive and Enigmatic Gad Horowitz

by Nelson Wiseman



Gad Horowitz expanded the lexicon of Canadian politics by introducing the 'red tory,' a widely used term by journalists, academics, and politicians. In his article 'Conservatism, Liberalism, and Socialism in Canada: An Interpretation,' he exploded the conventional wisdom of former department Chair R. MacGregor Dawson and other political scientists that ideology counts for naught in Canada. Professor Emeritus Donald Forbes described Horowitz's article as "one of the few things in the field that practically everyone has read and remembers."

Horowitz co-taught a political theory course with Allan Bloom and anchored POL 320, 'Modern Political Thought' for decades. Beyond the conventional bounds of political science, he has written about psychoanalytic theory, sexuality, Buddhism, and general semantics. A festschrift, *Subversive Itinerary* (U of T Press, 2013), honoured his ken and creativity.

In the 1960s, Horowitz harnessed a nationalist horse to a socialist cart, writing in *The Globe and Mail* of a "nationalism that values the independence of Canada not as an end

in itself but as a means to the goals of social democracy." Greeted with much fanfare, his 'Open Letter to Canadian Nationalists' in *The Toronto Star* appeared during Canada's centennial and as Montreal was hosting the World's Fair. CBC's landmark public affairs series 'This Hour Has Seven Days' broadcast his debate with Pierre Trudeau at a conference of NDP and Liberal Party Thinkers.

Novelist Susan Swan hailed Horowitz in *The Toronto Telegram* "as probably the most radical young professor around - according to some, the most brilliant." A 'celebrity intellectual' in the media and among 'red tory' politicians, he co-hosted a CBC TV series interviewing Charles Taylor, Ramsay Cook, and C. B. Macpherson as well as engaging in conversational exchanges with co-host George Grant. He also hosted a CBC radio series 'In Canada this Week.'

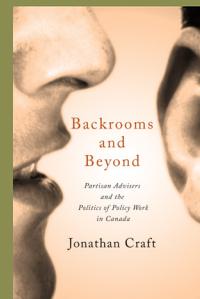
Swept up in the era's counter culture, Horowitz told *The Varsity* that the United States was "a chronically sick, frightfully insane society, tottering on the brink of total madness."

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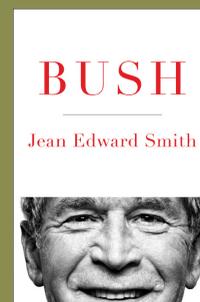
Susan Swan

Born in Jerusalem and descended from an uninterrupted line of rabbinical scholars who settled in the Holy Land in 1621, Horowitz is entitled to citizenship in any future Palestinian state. His grandfather served as the chief rabbi of western Canada and his father was the Hebrew-English translator in the Palestine Supreme Court. He may be Canada's first modern Hebrew-speaking child immigrant. While writing his doctoral dissertation in which the 'red tory' first appeared, he directed western Canada's only Hebrew-speaking camp wearing a skullcap with the Hebraic acronym for NDP sewn on it.

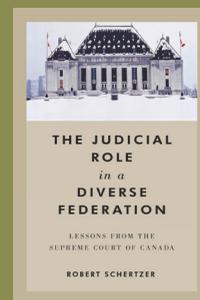
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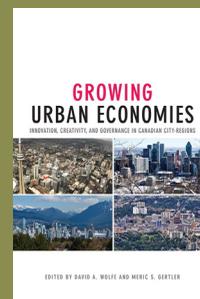
Backrooms and Beyond
Jonathan Craft
University of Toronto Press



Bush
Jean Edward Smith
Simon & Schuster



The Judicial Role in a Diverse Federation
Robert Schertzer
University of Toronto Press



Growing Urban Economies
David A. Wolfe & Meric S. Gertler
University of Toronto Press

alumni updates

former students discuss their differing roles as policy advisors at two of Ontario's 28 ministries

A policy advisor at the Ontario Ministry of Labour since 2009, Arek graduated in 2002 with a desire to pursue a career with the Government in order to impact positive change in people's lives. Projects that he's worked on include the Employment Protection for Foreign Nationals Act (2009) and amendments to the Employment Standards Act (2000).

How did a background in Political Science help you in your career?

It provides a great foundation for learning about law, public administration, the internal workings of government, the relationships within, and the power dynamics involved. I learned how to write more effectively, how to think critically, and how to be more balanced in my arguments.

What's the most rewarding aspect of your job?

I get to work on many diverse public policy projects where I put forward recommendations for the government to consider. When legislation that I've been working on for months, and in some cases years, is finally passed, I feel like my input might make a difference to somebody. I also get great satisfaction from the smaller things, such as drafting a response to an inquiry from an individual who is struggling, or travelling across the province to hear the views of stakeholders and individuals.

What does a typical day look like?

There's no such thing as a typical day. You might arrive in the morning planning to finalize an options paper, only to be asked to respond to media inquiries or work on an urgent request from the Minister's Office.

Arek Aniolowski
Ontario Ministry of Labour



Susan Pekilis has been a Senior Policy Advisor at the Ontario Ministry of Education, Student Success Policy Branch, for twelve years. Graduating in 1984, she has worked on a wide range of topics including violence prevention, special education, increasing high school graduation, improving attendance rates and postsecondary career advice. She pursued a career with the Ministry because of her belief that education is a key lever to making a positive difference in people's lives.

How did a background in Political Science help you in your career?

My BA honed my analytical and writing skills. When you work in policy you need to look at an issue from a number of angles, including the political. It's also useful to understand the civil service role within our democratic system to try to maintain some perspective.

What's the most rewarding aspect of your job?

Like most people, I like to think I'm making a difference. Policy advisors don't get out in the field often, but when I do, I find it so helpful. It's very rewarding to hear about a school that has developed a great program as a result of a policy I've worked on, or that students are receiving the support they need.

What does a typical day look like?

It varies. I may be gathering information, meeting with colleagues, or working with a school on a policy issue. Dealing with media requests, reviewing interim reports from agencies, and responding to letters from the public are also frequent parts of the job.

Susan Pekilis
Ontario Ministry of Education



research talk

former and current students discuss the relevance of their research

What Zika Reveals

Ariana Fernandez



In a rare move, the World Health Organization (WHO) recently declared the Zika virus a public-health emergency in Latin America due to its link to microcephaly in fetuses. The spike in cases prompted the governments of El Salvador and Brazil to recom-

mend that women do not get pregnant for the next two years.

Over half of the pregnancies in El Salvador are unplanned and the incidence of sexual violence is very high. One in five girls become mothers before the age of 15. By the time they turn 18, 30% will already have a child. These adolescent pregnancy rates are among the highest in Latin America, and is the only region in the world that does not have a declining rate of early childbearing.

Like the rest of the world, adolescent girls in El Salvador had never heard of Zika before 2015. The virus manifests more than adverse physical symptoms in its host, microcephaly in newborns, and collective fear. It reveals structural violence, deep gender inequality, and minimal agency when it comes to pregnancy. If women do not want to get pregnant in the next two years as recommended by their government, the burden is on them. They have few options, if any. The 'Pill' requires a prescription and condoms are unaffordable considering the

very low wages. It is also illegal to abort, no matter the circumstances of the pregnancy; those who do risk imprisonment. As of 2016, seventeen Salvadoran women are serving long prison sentences for miscarrying though the authorities allege that they aborted the fetuses.

The spike in microcephaly cases suspected to be caused by the Zika virus highlights the state of sexual and reproductive rights for Latin American women, and in particular for Salvadorans. It also highlights the state of unintended adolescent pregnancy, which in itself serves as a proxy to gauge El Salvador's gender power differentials, ideas of the place of females in society, and the perpetuation of poverty.

Ariana is a PhD student at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health and Public Policy, and an alumna of the Department of Political Science. She is doing research in political economy and the social determinants of health in Central America.

The Human/Animal Divide

Emma Planinc



My research has taken many directions since beginning the PhD program in 2011. Initially planning to continue my study of Hobbes, then shifting to the study of urban theory, my research agenda shifted in an

unexpected way when I attended a panel on the recently released *Zoopolis* at the 2012 CPSA meeting. The central argument of Sue Donaldson and Will Kymlicka's book was that animals ought to be made citizens of democratic nations. I couldn't understand how this argument was taken seriously garnering many awards at the CPSA.

I decided that I would have to actively address this position because I disagreed with it so strongly. I began by writing a paper criticizing *Zoopolis* through the work of Plato and Rousseau. Donaldson and Kymlicka subsequently wrote an article in response, and our exchange is now published in the *Canadian Journal of Political Science*.

My chief concern with establishing the distinction between the human and the animal kingdom led me to my dissertation project 'Regenerating Political Animals: Science and Politics in Eighteenth Century France' in which I establish the 'regenerative' capacity of the human animal, which makes us

uniquely compelled to reform our political and historical worlds.

Focusing on these 'regenerative' capacities has also led me to a project on H.G. Wells' science fiction, now published in *Political Theory*; a defense of creative 'madness' in a symposium on Ronald Beiner's work in *The Review of Politics*; and right back to my beginnings in examining the work of Hobbes.

My work reflects what I see as the foundational purpose of political theory: its investigation of what makes the human political life distinctive, and distinctively worth living.

Emma Planinc is a Northrop Frye Fellow and PhD Candidate in Political Science focusing on Political Theory.



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1 L-R: Cristin Hunt, Chair Louis W. Pauly & Delia C. Luca at the undergraduate student awards.



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2 L-R: Rafia Soomro, Rocio Vilchez Bustamante & Danielle Takacs at the mentorship closing ceremony.

3 L-R: PSAA's 'Getting a Job in Government' included panelists Afeefa Karim-Nasir, Meaghan Coker, Rob Foster, Laizabelle San Gabriel & Monica Chu.

4 L-R: Donald G.M. Cox, Chair Louis W. Pauly, Dawn Walker & Ronald Deibert at the undergraduate student awards.



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6 Adam Halim, a speaker at one of our leadership lunches.

5 L-R: Donors Donald G.M. Cox, Brian J. White, Anne Dupré & Ronald Deibert at the undergraduate student awards.

7 On assignment in Georgia: Interview with Gigi Gigiadze, Deputy Foreign Minister in Tbilisi, Georgia. Included are (L-R) political science students Daria Dumbadze, Professor Robert Austin, Courtney Hallink, Fatin Tawfig, Catherine Savitsky, Alex Hempel, Mathieu Sitaya & Jeffrey Chen.



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our associations

this semester's events and updates from our student and alumni bodies

APSS



Bushra Nassab

President, Association of Political Science Students

Yet another great semester for the Association of Political Science Students (APSS). We hosted a panel discussion on gender and politics, two lunch and learns, one on foreign military intervention and the other on the International Criminal Court (ICC) and a winter social at Hart House. Along with the Peace, Conflict, and Justice Studies Society, History Students Association, and the European Studies Students Association, we launched the colloquium 'Intersecting Ideas: A Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Colloquium,' which allows senior students to present their research in a conference setting and receive constructive criticism from academics. We also released the third edition of our Undergraduate Journal for Political Science *POLIS*.

The semester has been extremely busy for APSS, but we're proud of everything we've accomplished. I would like to welcome our newly elected President, Michael Warchol. I have no doubt that he'll continue to build on and improve what I started with APSS.

Contact APSS via president@utapss.ca

GASPS



Kristen Pue & Jacqueline Peterson

Co-Chairs, Graduate Association of Students in Political Science

The Graduate Association of Students in Political Science (GASPS) has continued to prioritize community building through our Department's six area groups. Thanks to the commitment of our area group representatives, student engagement has flourished.

We are impressed by the continuous dedication of our members to community building. GASPS supported five initiatives in the Winter 2016 cycle of the Special Projects Fund - the largest number to-date. We're pleased to see the Women's Caucus become increasingly vital within the Department and we've sought to provide a space within which members can aid society more broadly. We voted to contribute \$500 to a Syrian Refugee Sponsorship Initiative organized through our members in collaboration with faculty and undergraduate students.

Faculty and students are encouraged to reach out to GASPS if they would like to offer time or money toward this goal. In April GASPS elected its new Executive Board. The new co-chairs are Danny Hutton Ferris and Adam Casey. Contact GASPS via adam.casey@mail.utoronto.ca

PSAA



Sophia Koukoulas (Alumna)

Political Science Alumni Association

The Political Science Alumni Association (PSAA) was delighted at the success of 'Getting a Job in Government,' which we hosted in early March. More than sixty current students and alumni attended this Q&A discussion, where five panelists shared their personal success stories and insights from working in the field. The speakers are all currently employed in various government positions - Monica Chu, Strategy Analyst; Meaghan Coker, Legislative Assistant and Issue Manager; Rob Foster, Senior Policy Advisor; Afeefa Karim-Nasir, Issues Management Officer and Laizabelle San Gabriel, Judicial Education and Training Officer.

Areas covered included pursuing service learning, volunteering, working with temp agencies, and the importance of tailoring a resume and cover letter for each individual application.

The PSAA would like to thank the panelists and attendees for making the event such a success. We hope to match the enthusiasm at future events!

To get involved with PSAA email polsci.alum@utoronto.ca

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politics bites

a quick synopsis of faculty and student news, updates, and awards

- Graham White & Jack Hicks' book *Made in Nunavut: An Experiment in Decentralized Government* was shortlisted for the 2016 CPSA Donald Smiley book award.
- Rodney Haddow's monograph *Comparing Quebec and Ontario: Political Economy and Public Policy at the Turn of the Millennium* was nominated for the 2016 CPSA book award in Comparative Politics.
- Jennifer Nedelsky was awarded a 2016-2017 Jackman Humanities Institute Research Fellowship from the University of Toronto.
- Antoinette Handley was chosen as the World Politics Visiting Fellow at the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies (PIIRS) for 2016-2017.
- Cross-appointed faculty member Yasmin Dawood (Law) was awarded a Canada Research Chair.
- Cross-appointed faculty member Kent Roach (Law) was appointed to the Order of Canada.
- Rodney Haddow and Lucan Way were promoted to the rank of Full Professor. Lilach Gilady was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor (July 1, 2016).
- Allan Bloom Memorial Postdoctoral Fellow Laura Rabinowitz was acknowledged with an 'honourable mention' by The Faculty of Arts & Science Superior Teaching Awards.
- Melissa Williams will be a senior visiting scholar at The Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation at Harvard from September 2016 to June 2017.
- Alison Braley-Rattai was awarded Professor of the Year by *The Underground*, UTSC's student magazine.
- We bid a fond farewell to our colleagues Jeffrey Kopstein, Simone Chambers, and Teresa Bejan. Their scholarly careers will undoubtedly continue to flourish, to the benefit of our discipline.
- **New PhDs:** Dr. Gabriel Arseneault, Dr. Gustavo Carvalho, Dr. Wilfrid Greaves, Dr. Andrew McDougall, Dr. Michael Pelz, Dr. Jerald Sabin, Dr. Elliot Storm.
- **Undergraduate Awards & Scholarships 2014-2015:** Maria Alexiou, Mahan Azimi, Sasha Boutillier, Colby A. Chubbs, Michael Cleveland, Jonah I. Goldberg, Benjamin N. Goldlist, Cristin Hunt, Anthony Iafate, Delia C. Luca, Illia Maslyansky, Angelina Oey, Amani S. Rauff, Shirin Shahidi, Amy Tieu, Dawn Walker, Victoria Wicks, Nancy Xue.
- **Cressy Award Winners 2016:** Natasha Allen (UTSC), Palakh Chhabria, James Flynn, Camille Galindez (UTSC), Chantal Issa, Christine R. Jacob, Vicky La, Sonia K. Liang, Elizabeth McDermott, Matthew J. Mohan, Bushra Nassab, Joshua Oliver, Danielle Ouellette, Larissa E. A. Parker, Aditya Rau, Audrey L. Rochette, Hayden Rodenkirchen, Najiba Sardar, Nicole C. Thompson, Emily Tsui, Freda Zhang, Gabriel J. Zoltan-Johan.
- James Flynn was named a 2016 Rhodes Scholar.
- Alexis Lerner (Zimberg) won a University of Toronto TA Teaching Excellence Award.



new faces

1. Marishka Pereira

Program Advisor, Centre for Critical Development Studies, City Studies, Human Geography, Political Science, Public Policy, UTSC

Marishka joined us from the Office of the Registrar at UTSC in July 2015. She's an outdoorswoman, sports car enthusiast and avid Toronto Raptors fan.

3. Torrey Shanks

Assistant Professor

Joining the UTSC department in July from the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy at the University at Albany (SUNY), Professor Shanks completed her PhD in Political Science at Northwestern University. Her areas of research include political theory, gender and politics, and language and politics.

2. Charles Roger

Postdoctoral Fellow

Joining us from UBC, Charles begins his SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship in July 2016. Working with Professor Matthew Hoffmann, his research will focus on the politics of formal and informal international institutions.

4. Viola Shtylla

Business Officer, Social Sciences Departments, UTSC

Viola formerly worked at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology, and joined the department in November 2015. She enjoys travelling with her family. Iceland remains one of her favourite destinations and she hopes to visit more of Canada next year.

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