

Politics

Department of
Political Science
University of Toronto

greetings from the chair

Even a quick look through this edition of our newsletter will provide a sense of the vibrant community of political science students, faculty, alumni, and visitors now thriving at the University of Toronto.

Our colleague, Peter Russell, still teaching in the Department, recalls the scholarly unit he joined in 1958. Back then, nine colleagues had offices in the old McMaster Building, now the home of the Royal Conservatory of Music. After moving to the third floor of Sidney Smith a few years later, the Department began an expansion and deepening that continues to the present day. Indeed, we can no longer be contained at 100 St. George Street.

Our professors and their students now lead and energize many institutions focused on politics, governance, and policy right across the three campuses of this great university. In fact, you will find our current and former students all over the world.



“The engine of our department is firing on all cylinders.”

And you will find their Professors in every college including UTM and UTSC, the Munk School of Global Affairs, the School of Public Policy and Governance and the Faculty of Law.

On behalf of our entire community, no matter where we are physically located, I thank you for your continuing interest and support.

Louis Pauly

Lunch with a leader

The autumn semester of Political Science Leadership Lunches was a huge success. Speakers included businessman Bob Tweedy, editor Catherine Tsalikis, data scientist Fahd Husain, and Chair of the Board of The Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) Kathleen Taylor, who said she was delighted “to get back on campus and spend time with the future of the country.”

All four speakers encouraged our undergraduates to gain international experience and stressed that education is just the beginning of “a continuous journey.” Professor Robert Vipond, who launched the series five years ago said that what stands out for him is the versatility of political science. “Whether it’s making policy or running for office or banking or running an NGO, all of our guests have said that what they learned here helped them understand and navigate their world.” Upcoming speakers will be announced soon.



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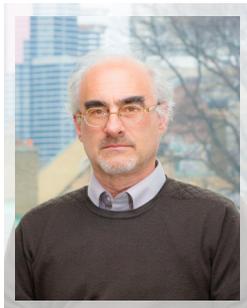
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departmental dispatches

Commentary from our departmental officers

Ronald Beiner *Acting Chair, UTM*



It's interesting being back as UTM Acting Chair after four stress-free years being away from admin duties – to see what's new and what's the same. What hasn't changed is the ever-reliable bedrock of outstanding UTM staff – Norma Dotto, Lorna Taylor, David Linden, and (new since I was Chair) Terri Winchester. What's new are the impressive junior colleagues who have joined the UTM department since I stepped down as Chair: Andrea Olive, Erin Tolley, Shivaji Mukherjee, Sara Hughes, and most recently Teresa Bejan. Warm congratulations to Peter Loewen and Lee Ann Fujii, both recently promoted to Associate Professor. Peter and Lee Ann are dynamite scholars, and it is terrific to see them tenured as they richly deserve to be.

Rodney Haddow *Associate Chair and Undergraduate Director, St George*



Early in the term, we hosted our second annual undergraduate Re-Orientation event to introduce new students to our department. Professor Ryan Balot, alumni Gerard Kennedy and Brian Kolenda, and undergraduate Elizabeth Tudor-Bezies addressed students. Three workshops focusing on writing (hosted by PhD student Robert Ballingall), research (librarian Judith Logan), and careers (careers educator Candice Stoliker) were offered. A short plenary discussion on the structure of our course offerings and degree programs followed. Students acquired a more 'human' sense of what happens in our department. The entire event can be viewed on our YouTube channel: *Department of Political Science, University of Toronto*.

Steven Bernstein *Associate Chair and Graduate Director, St. George*



Two of my favourite things as graduate director are welcoming the incoming class with all its energy and talent, and revelling in the success of our recent and soon-to-be grads which this year has been especially striking. Seven are taking up prestigious post-docs: at Michigan, Arizona State, Columbia, Berkeley, Laval, Ottawa and Yale. Others have landed full-time faculty positions, including Joelle Dumouchel (Copenhagen), Zack Taylor (Western), Jack Lucas (Calgary), Carey Doberstein (UBC), Isabelle Cote (Memorial), Naomi Suzanne Hindmarch (New Brunswick), Ki-Hyun Bae (Sogang U, S. Korea), and Alena Drieschova (Cardiff). We are also happy to announce our new PhD Candidates profile page: <http://www.politics.utoronto.ca/graduate/phd-candidate-directory/>

Grace Skogstad *Chair, UTSC*



Interest in our Political Science, Public Policy and Public Law programs have buoyed enrolment. Several faculty members are reaping the fruits of their research (see page seven). Stefan Renckens received a prestigious award and with myself, is co-investigator on a project for sustainable biofuels governance. Robert Schertzer and a colleague have launched an open-access portal, 'The State of Nationalism' (www.stateofnationalism.eu). Judith Teichman organized a program enabling PhD students to present their work and to access funds for graduate workshops. Phil Triadafilopoulos and Paul Kingston provided insights into the Syrian refugee crisis, and Christopher Cochrane and Robert Schertzer analyzed the federal election campaign for the media.



Simon Pratt
Graduate student

Broadly put, my research is on the ways that morality and strategy are reciprocally intertwined even in hard-nosed matters of international security and conflict—on how ends and means form and inform practices of war-making and state-making. It is the fourth year of my PhD, and I am regularly in Washington DC to research the US's War on Terror. Getting former intelligence officers to talk about their work is no small task.

Studying the spookier side of modern war is surprisingly exhilarating, but not (only) for the reasons one might think. It is certainly exciting uncovering stories of secret and daring exploits, of clandestine meetings in far-flung and spy-drenched cities like London, Beirut, Moscow and Hong Kong. In this grey world of greater and lesser evils lie some of the most complex and pressing ethical dilemmas of modern politics.

Expediency is supposedly its guiding principle, but some of the fiercest institutional and personal struggles take place over the legitimacy of assassination, or over how to gather information from captured adversaries, with lives hanging in the balance and little prospect of public gratitude for a job well done. Rarely do high-level bureaucratic politics brush up so closely against the barest and sharpest manifestation of statecraft.

While security scholars are often called upon to inform government decision-making, my aspiration is not 'policy-relevance'

but 'polity-relevance'. I enjoy my research, and I think I'm good at it, but the vocation of the scholar is ultimately to help people become more thoughtful citizens and members of their community.

Our job is to help students become more self-aware and more critically minded about some of the most controversial issues in contemporary politics, and why the position of the academic should exist in society. Or at the very least, why we should have social scientists.

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Motahareh Nabavi Niaki
Undergraduate student

In the summer of 2015, nine other girls and I were selected to spend three months at an orphanage in Istanbul. Our mission was to create an English immersion 'atmosphere' for the children which we mobilised through daily activities and field trips, all the while encouraging their use of English.

student stories

Research and altruism

The girls, aged thirteen to eighteen, were initially hesitant. They saw us as foreign intruders but with time they opened up to us.

“This experience has influenced how I want to live my life.”

They craved our friendship and soon we became mental, spiritual, emotional, and physical support for them. Many of them would privately discuss their life stories with us, and three weeks into the program, I received one of the most intense hugs of my life. I reciprocated in the hope that the child would realize there is still good in this world and that she could unload some of her burdens on my shoulders.

We were sent there to be role models for these young girls and to teach them how to grow into young, confident women. I never expected that I would leave Turkey having changed as well. I learned just as much from them, if not more. What amazed me was their resilience and the amount of hope and love they still exhibited. Every time they saw a child they always went out of their way to hug them.

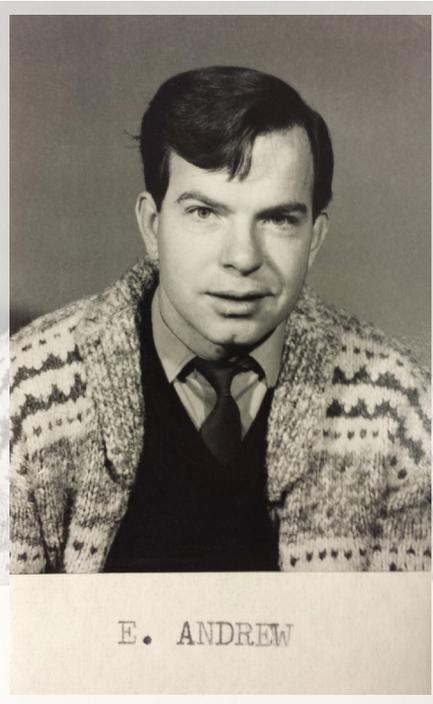
We had the opportunity to visit the homes of Syrian refugees, and it was truly touching to see how humbled the girls became. Even more surprising were their declarations that they had been blessed with so much, despite all the hardships they had been through.

This experience has influenced how I want to live my life. Not only do I appreciate the blessing of education, but I now know that what I'm learning today will allow me to help others tomorrow.

emeritus corner

Edward Andrew: A legend in the department

by Nelson Wiseman



Edward Andrew when he first joined the department in the late 60's.

If there is a family that qualifies as Canadian royalty, it is Professor Edward Andrew's. A scion of the Grant and Parkin families, his great-grandfather, George Munro Grant was the Principal of Queen's College in Kingston. He traversed the continent in 1872 as secretary to the Sandford Fleming expedition that surveyed the route for the Canadian Pacific Railway.

“Endearingly mischievous with a playful smile, Ed has charmed colleagues and students alike.”

He was, says Ed, “the decent imperialist,” unlike his other great grandfather Sir George Parkin, “the indecent imperialist.” Both were Canadian nationalists who saw Canada as part of a larger global enterprise: the British imperial system with Canada as its lead affiliate.

Ed's grandfather, who taught history at Oxford, became the Principal of Upper

Canada College when it was a much more exclusive institution than it is today. Ed's grandmother served as Dean of Women at McGill and his father was the vice-president of the University of British Columbia.

His uncle, the acclaimed Red Tory philosopher George Parkin Grant, lamented the defeat of Canadian nationalism in a best-selling book in the 1960's, and Ed's sister Caroline was the first female president of the *Canadian Political Science Association* and is an inductee to the Order of Canada.

His cousin Michael Ignatieff is a former leader of the Liberal party and departmental colleague. Ed shares with his famous uncle George an animus toward that party.

Ed joined the Department in 1969, retired in 2000, continued teaching until last year, still serves on some theses committees, and occasionally leads seminars.

He has influenced countless numbers of students. The author of six books including one on technology, Ed has written extensively on rights, conscience, and the genealogy of values. As a student of history of the present – “how we came to be the way we are” – Ed has always been intrigued by the meaning of words.

The most enjoyable part of his career was team-teaching graduate seminars with his colleagues. In Ed's estimation, the department and the University more broadly became increasingly professionalized during his long career.

Ed has held fellowships in Australia, England, and France and recently travelled to Spain and North Africa with his historian wife Donna, a University Professor Emerita at the University of Guelph. Ed is rightly proud of his three daughters: one

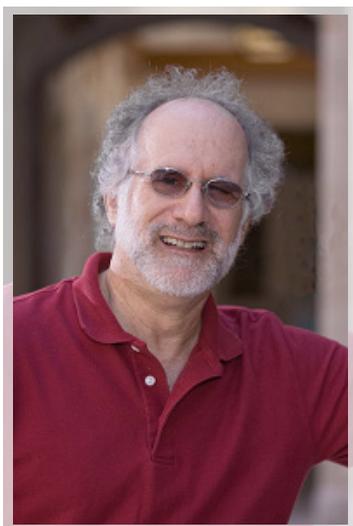
has a PhD in biology; another is a medical illustrator now embarking on legal studies with the intent to become a refugee lawyer; the eldest, Emily, is known to many in the political science fraternity as the acquisitions editor at UBC Press.

“Ed's grandmother served as Dean of Women at McGill and his father was the Vice-President of the University of British Columbia.”

Endearingly mischievous and with a playful smile, Ed has charmed colleagues and students alike. In retirement, he regularly uses the Athletic Centre and is dedicating himself to being a better father and grandfather.



Professor Andrew on vacation with his family.



Kenneth D. Wald
Samuel R. “Bud” Shorstein Professor
of American Jewish Culture and
Society, University of Florida

When Professor Jeffrey Kopstein asked if I was interested in being the Shoshana Shier Distinguished Visiting Scholar in Jewish Studies, I jumped at the chance to spend a semester at the University of Toronto. The chance to live in another country is one of the best perks of being a professor and this one hasn't disappointed me.

I'm teaching a course on *Judaism and Politics* to 40-some undergraduates, have

visiting professor

Kenneth Wald navigates our campus and politics while pondering his next book

given three public lectures under the Shier chair, and am going to be helping out with some lectures in an introductory course on Jewish Studies.

The three Shier lectures have helped me think through a book manuscript in progress. I'm working on a puzzle. American Jews, despite having a social profile that is typically associated with Republican voting and conservative policy preferences, are in fact one of the most Democratic and liberal constituencies in the United States.

With some comedic exaggeration, Peter Sagal captured this anomaly when he asked his radio audience, “What is it about being rich and white that American Jews don't understand?” My Shier lectures introduced this puzzle, argued that existing theories don't help us resolve it, and traced the foundations of American Jewish liberalism from the 18th through the 20th centuries.

I'm really enjoying teaching my undergraduate class which seems to be composed largely of students without any personal/family connections to Judaism. That forces me to avoid “in-house” language and to explain what I might assume my American students would understand. My wife and I love living on campus and walking to classes, restaurants, and lectures.

The Canadian Government was considerate enough to schedule a general election during my visit, providing me with first-hand exposure to a foreign election. Even though I don't yet know what an “invigilator” is, I'm gradually getting the hang of the place.

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grad tidings

Michael J. Donnelly & Jonathan Craft
PhD Placement Directors

We have been impressed by the ambition (and success) of our graduate students. Our PhD students continue to find jobs in a challenging job market, and do so by taking advantage of the incredible resources of the department. In the last ten years alone, University of Toronto Political Science PhD students have secured

jobs at more than 60 universities in Canada, North America, and further afield.

Finding a job starts in the first year of graduate school, as students select their fields, take challenging courses, and get to know the department's huge number of faculty. Among them they will find supportive and stimulating supervisors.

When they reach the stage of actively searching for their next job, many students have already published chapters from their dissertations or turned seminar papers into articles. Experience as TA's allows them to apply confidently for jobs at top universities, prestigious non-profits, consultancies and the public sector.

Together with the graduate office, we arrange for group and individual sessions to help students craft the best possible CV's, cover letters, and personal statements.

It has been only a few years since we ourselves braved the stresses and uncertainty of the job market so we can offer practical advice on navigating the process. The students support each other, sharing tips about job advertisements, comments on application packages, and offer friendly companionship throughout the experience.

alumni updates



Mike Bukovcan
Principal, Halton District School Board

Mike Bukovcan is a school Principal in the Halton District School Board and has worked in education for twenty four years. He graduated in 1988 with a BA in English, History, and Political Science.

I decided to study Political Science because I had always been interested in political leaders, the operation of governments, and political philosophies. Politics were always a topic of discussion in my family.

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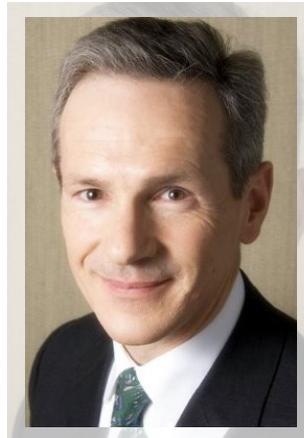
The idea of making education into a career began with a job as an educational assistant and correctional officer at a maximum security facility for young offenders. I discovered I was able to connect with vulnerable teenagers and I found that personally fulfilling. Moving into administration came from a desire to have a greater impact on the climate and culture of the schools that I worked in.

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Two former students tell us why they love their roles in education and how political science played a part

pal. For example, learning to rationalize a position on an issue and then effectively convincing others has helped me to rally colleagues and communities to support initiatives that have made a difference for kids, such as introducing new technologies to the school and a long-term school improvement plan.

The most rewarding aspect of being a Principal is leading a team of professionals to create a climate and culture that creates success for kids. It is a privilege to help to build the future and be part of the lives of my students and their families as they grow and face life's challenges.”



David Trick
President, David Trick and Associates Inc.

David Trick is President of David Trick and Associates Inc., consultants in higher education strategy and management. He graduated with a PhD in Political Science in 2005. David worked for twenty years in the Ontario Public Service, where he served as an assistant deputy minister in the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities. He was subsequently the first Chief Executive Officer and Vice Provost of the University of Guelph-Humber.

When I worked for the government I had a back-row seat for some of the biggest public debates of the day. I worked with ministers from all three parties and with some of the best public servants in the country.

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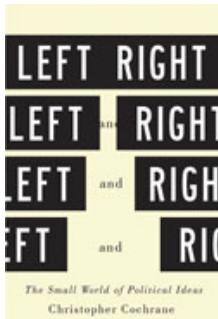
Completing my PhD was an opportunity to synthesize my experience and situate it within larger theoretical issues about how policy is made. Stephen Clarkson very generously supervised my thesis, and Ronald Manzer, David Wolfe, Carolyn Tuohy, and David Rayside were essential in seeing me through to completion.

Some of the things I learned as a PhD student show up in my advice to clients today. Having a PhD has also opened the door for me to teach undergraduate students part-time. They help me stay focused on the future.

My clients are senior administrators at colleges and universities and in government. I help them with policy issues and administrative problems. Doing work I enjoy, for clients I respect and admire, is an enormous privilege.

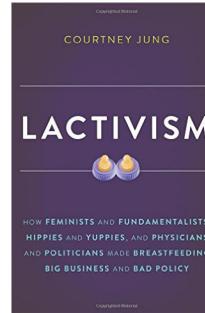
Many leaders in universities and colleges say they enjoy working in higher education because it is a good cause with good company. I have found that to be true.

Our faculty, globally recognized for their ground breaking work in numerous fields have been busy when it comes to publishing their research. From the politics of breastfeeding to environmental issues and political dichotomy, the following books are just a fraction of what they've recently published.



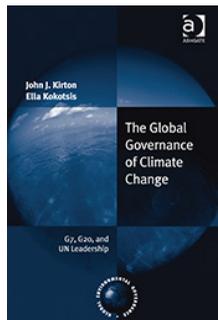
Left and Right
Christopher Cochrane

McGill-Queen's University Press



Lactivism
Courtney Jung

Basic Books



The Global Governance of Climate Change
John J. Kirton & Ella Kokotsis

Ashgate Publishing Group



The Canadian Environment in Political Context
Andrea Olive

University of Toronto Press



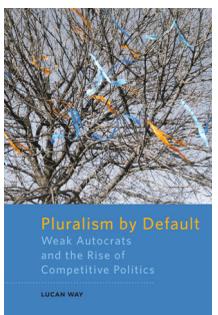
Taxation, Responsiveness, and Accountability in Sub-Saharan Africa
Wilson Prichard

Cambridge University Press



The Politics of Inclusive Development
Judith A. Teichman

Palgrave Macmillan



Pluralism by Default
Lucan Way

John Hopkins University Press



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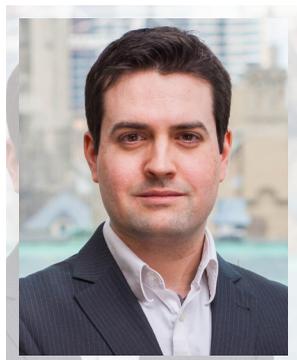
Kate Neville

Kate Neville holds a PhD in Political Science from the University of British Columbia. She is interested in international relations, comparative politics, ecological protection, sustainability, and resource governance.

My first term at U of T is flying by! I currently teach a third-year course on environmental governance—looking at the intersection of protest, politics, and power. With sixty or so enthusiastic students, we are studying the dynamics of environmental movements, the environmental actions of corporations, and the strategies of protest that are emerging around the world. While political science is a large discipline, and U of T a huge university, students seem keen to build a sense of community in the classroom. I feel privileged to help convene a space for them to work together.

I'm also co-teaching a graduate class in the School of the Environment and am delighted that some of our political science graduate students have joined the class. Their questions and contributions add to our collective understanding of the politics and power relationships underlying negotiations over environmental issues.

While the bureaucratic workings of the university remain somewhat bewildering to me, I'm grateful for the tireless assistance from the staff, administration, and faculty in our department. I look forward to the rest of the term, and many more semesters ahead!



Ludovic Rheault

Ludovic Rheault obtained his PhD in 2013 from Université de Montréal. His research interests include the impact of policies on the process of technological change and the impact of social networks on selection.

Teaching at one of the most prestigious universities in Canada is an important responsibility. Our students will someday occupy influential positions in Canada and abroad as policy-makers, lawyers, scholars, entrepreneurs, and so forth. Given the current pace of technological change, this new generation of students may face pivotal moments in politics throughout their careers.

My main objective is to share with them the same enthusiasm about science that I have. The most important gift that we receive through higher education is the development of a scientific mind: the ability to think methodically about phenomena, to become aware of assumptions that may have been buried in our subconscious and to reassess our claims and beliefs when faced with counter-evidence. Those traits are part of the invaluable heritage at the basis of scientific knowledge. If we can share this heritage with students, I'm confident that they will become reliable decision-makers. Contributing to this important stage of the education process is an enthralling task.

teaching tales

Faculty report on their first term

new faces

**Sophie Marcotte
Chénard**
Postdoctoral Fellow



Joining us from EHESS in Paris, Sophie received a FRQSC Fellowship and begins as a Postdoctoral Fellow in January 2016. Working with Professor Ronald Beiner, her research will focus on the relationship between contemporary political philosophy and history.

Jennifer McCallum
**Undergraduate
Assistant**



Jennifer joined the Department from the Munk School of Global Affairs in August 2015. She's an active singer and Juno-nominated recording artist in Southern Ontario's classical music community.

Jennifer O'Reilly
**Communications,
Alumni &
Advancement
Officer**



Jennifer joined us from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE) in August 2015. She's an avid hiker, music fan and art lover. Her favourite novel is *Something Happened* by Joseph Heller.



Craig Damian Smith

Craig Smith is a PhD candidate and is currently doing research throughout the Balkans having recently been in Serbia, Macedonia, and Hungary. He is a commentator for BBC World Service and has written for The Toronto Star, The National Post, and Ha'aretz.

I research irregular migration systems. Specifically, I look at how European policies shift the direction of migration flows, and how these changes affect the security of transit states. A big portion of my time is spent speaking with refugees about their route choices.

“Navigating the Egyptian bureaucracy was almost as tedious as Cairo traffic.”

It's interesting to see irregular migration go from a relatively fringe topic to dominating the front pages. The downside for my research is that officials are hounded by journalists and the political attention makes them more guarded. The upside is that people no longer ask if I work with birds when I mention migration.

The project has taken me across North Africa, the Middle East, and Europe and with each new location comes unique challenges.

report: SYRIA

One of our PhD candidates on his research abroad

Navigating the Egyptian bureaucracy was almost as tedious as Cairo traffic. One of the more notable experiences was watching a high-up security official become progressively sterner as I explained why I was interested in borders. He promised I'd be arrested if he heard my name again. It was not an idle threat. An American researcher at my host institution was deported for conducting health surveys with migrants. I revised my research design.

The fluidity of the Balkan route is unprecedented. A feature of irregular migration is that people can spend years on the move, ending up trafficked, incarcerated or working in the grey economy to fund the next leg of their journey. I've spoken with individuals on multiple occasions. In contrast, thousands of refugees move through Serbia daily. I've also never witnessed anything like the scenes on the Hungarian border. It was a serene, bucolic place in September. Now it looks like a prison or front line.

Two observations remain constant. The first is the resiliency and courage of migrants. It can be difficult to maintain objectivity, and the current politics in Canada and Europe leave me wondering whether liberalism can endure xenophobic, populist leaders. Reframing refugees

as people and advocating for cosmopolitanism are major challenges of our time.

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Second, beneath the ugly politics, and before the journalists and academics arrive, individuals and civil society groups mobilize to offer hospitality.

I've been fortunate to spend more than half of my doctorate abroad. U of T's relationships have helped immensely, and I am deeply indebted to my supportive thesis committee.

A reality of PhD life, however, is that summers mean financial precarity. External grants and fieldwork have often been the only opportunity to keep working toward my doctorate for a third of the year. The Department should work with PhDs to make post-residency fees a reality. It will keep us competitive and ensure that students enter the job market in a timely manner.

Refugees waiting for buses to Slovenia.
Photo by: Craig Damian Smith



our associations

Updates from our student and alumni groups

APSS



Bushra Nassab
President, Association of Political Science Students

The Association of Political Science Students (APSS) is already off to a great year! September events included a 'Lunch and Learn' on the topic of cyber-security featuring Ronald Deibert and participation in a campus-wide initiative called 'Democracy Week' (September 28th – October 2nd). In addition, we co-hosted with the Department the very successful Keith Davey Forum, entitled 'Is Canada Doing Enough to Promote Human Rights Around the World?'

October began with our hosting a panel discussion on the relationship between Canada's contemporary foreign policy and how it may influence the results of the 2015 Canadian federal elections. This panel featured our very own political science professors including Nelson Wiseman, Christopher Cochrane, Sylvia Bashevkin, and Rodney Haddow. Upcoming 2016 activities include the release of an undergraduate journal, a massive joint-social with other related disciplines on campus, and an undergraduate research colloquium in March, 2016. To keep up with our activities, 'like' us on Facebook and visit our website at www.utapss.ca. General inquiries can be directed at president@utapss.ca

GASPS



Kristen Pue & Jacqueline Peterson
Co-Chairs, Graduate Association of Students in Political Science

The Graduate Association for Students in Political Science (GASPS) is pleased to welcome the new Master's and Doctoral students for 2015-2016. The semester has been characterized by renewed enthusiasm for collegial engagement, including several new initiatives by our members.

We have elected a new Executive Board, which includes our first ever Equity and Diversity Representative. We are also working towards establishing a political science journal, which will provide new opportunities for graduate students to publish their work. Further, we have prioritized community building through our Department's seven area groups.

Thanks to the commitment of our Area Group Representatives, student engagement within the area groups has already improved. Additionally, four thematic groups – on the Internet, China, political economy, and Latin America – have been active spaces for collaboration amongst GASPS members. We are impressed by the dedication of our members to professional community-building throughout Fall 2015 and hope to carry this momentum forward into 2016.

PSAA



Benjamin Gillard
Interim President, Political Science Alumni Association

The Political Science Alumni Association (PSAA) hosted a three-part autumn speaker series on Civic Action. Speakers included Toronto City Councillors James Pasternak and Joe Mihevc as well as political strategist Christopher Holtz from Campbell Strategies. As the Association becomes more active and completes its constitution, there will be more opportunities for involvement and leadership. Any individuals who are interested in becoming involved with PSAA should 'like' our U of T Political Science Alumni Association Facebook Page to receive updates on upcoming events and opportunities.

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Faculty News & Awards

- Ran Hirschl won the C. Herman Pritchett Award for the best book on law and courts at the *American Political Science Association (APSA)*
- Lawrence LeDuc received the Mildred A. Schwartz life-time achievement Award in Canadian Politics at *APSA*
- Stefan Renckens won the Virginia M. Walsh Award for the best dissertation in science, technology and environmental politics at *APSA*
- Teresa M. Bejan received the Leo Strauss Award for the best dissertation in political philosophy at *APSA*
- Clifford Orwin was officially presented with a Festschrift 'In Search of Humanity: Essays in Honor of Clifford Orwin' at *APSA*
- Joseph Carens was elected as Fellow to the *Royal Society of Canada*
- Teresa M. Bejan, Sara Hughes, Peter Loewen and Shivaji Mukherjee are Connaught New Researcher award winners 2015
- Wilson Prichard won the best paper award at the *African Tax Research Network (ATRN)* conference
- Christopher Cochrane, Lee Ann Fujii, and Peter Loewen were promoted to the rank of Associate Professor
- David Cameron was reappointed as Dean, Faculty of Arts & Sciences
- Joseph Wong was appointed Interim Director, Asian Institute
- Jacques Bertrand was appointed Director of the Collaborative Master's Program in Asia-Pacific Studies at the Asian Institute
- Rauna Kuokkanen was appointed MA Coordinator, Political Science

semester snaps



(L-R) Professor Robert Vipond, Rob McLean (Mentor) and Rab Bruce-Lockhart (Mentee) at our Mentorship Program launch at Hart House in November.



Candice Stoliker, U of T Career Centre, speaking at our Re-Orientation event in October.



(L-R) Nabiha Chowdhury (Mentee) and Justine Abigail Yu (Mentor) at our Mentorship Program launch at Hart House in November.

politics bites

Departmental accolades

Student Awards

- **New PhDs:** Dr. Joelle Dumouchel, Dr. David Gordon, Dr. David Houle, Dr. Olga Kesarchuk, Dr. Abraham Singer
- **CGS Doctoral:** Neekoo Collett, Scott McKnight, Michael Millerman, Kristen Pue, Meghan Snider
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