

FALL 2012 From the Chair, Professor Don Haider-Markel:

With the national, state, and local elections this autumn has been especially busy on our corner of Mt. Oread. Our faculty fielded media requests daily and tried to guide our students through the chaotic campaign information environment. In my 15 years at KU I can't recall a semester that had so much opportunity for change and so much uncertainty about the future.

Nevertheless, we are pleased to be serving our students and the Kansas community through our research and teaching missions. In a variety of national rankings we have improved our position as a



Professor Erik Herron

department and we continue to educate some of the most outstanding students at KU. We had another successful year placing our undergraduate and graduate students in a difficult job market and the faculty continues to strive for excellence in all that we do.

Inside we have profiled a few of our exceptional students as well as recent accomplishments by faculty. I take special note to welcome Gail Buttorf (University of Iowa) a specialist in Middle East and North African politics this year; Professor Buttorff was hired in early 2011 but only joined us this August after completing a one-year fellowship in Abu Dhabi.

Also join us in congratulating Erik Herron for being chosen the George and Eleanor Woodyard International Educator Award for 2012. Professor Herron received the award at a ceremony in November.

I would also like to thank alumni Larry Pascal (BA 1988), Keith Krehbiel (BS 1977, MA 1979), and Tony Arnold (BA 1987) for special visits they made to campus in the past year. Larry Pascal is Partner, Haynes and Boone, LLP, Dallas; Pascal is also the chairman of the Americas Practice Group and specializes in International law with a focus on the energy sector in Latin America. He visited KU in March 2012, giving two presentations and visiting with students and faculty from the College, political science, the School of Business, and the Law School. Professor Keith Krehbiel, Edward B. Rust Professor of Political Science, Stanford University, presented research on "Legislative Organization and Ideal Point Bias" during his visit in September.

Professor Craig Anthony (Tony) Arnold came to visit us in October and presented his research on watershed institutions for a book project he is working on. Professor Arnold is the Boehl Chair in Property and Land Use at the Louis D. Brandeis School of Law, University of Louisville. He also serves on the CLAS Advisory Board at KU. If you would like to visit us on campus, even just for a luncheon, please feel free to contact me.

We thank Professor Pat Egan (NYU) for his spring presentation on the ongoing Clifford P. Ketzler Speaker Series for the Expression of Minority Opinions; and we thank Dr. John Proctor (Sprint) and Dr. Sean O'Brien (Executive Vice President and Senior Scientist at SAE, Inc.) for their 2012 presentations in our ongoing speaker series, Alternative Careers with a Graduate Degree, which began last spring. This spring we will have another speaker (Rose McDermott, Brown University) in the Ketzler Speaker Series and



Larry Pascal



Keith Krehbiel

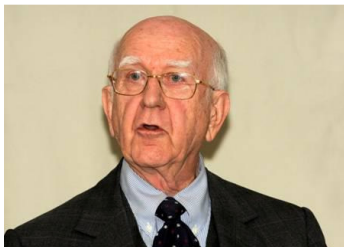


Tony Arnold

Dr. Arthur Lupia (University of Michigan) will visit campus to present his research.

Notable, at the end of November 2012 Sir Robert Worcester will be visiting campus for a series of presentations. Sir Robert was recently appointed as an Adjunct Professor of Political Science and Chancellor's Lecturer. Sir Robert graduated from KU in 1955 with a degree in Business, but his real love at KU was taking classes in political science.

You can continue to get updates about the department on our newly designed webpage (<http://kups.ku.edu/>) on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Political-Science-at-KU/202370096499170>



Sir Robert Worcester

and on Twitter (@KUPoliticalSci) where we'll post more week-to-week news about items of interest.

Remember that in April we will honor our outstanding undergraduate and graduate students with monetary and distinction awards at our Honor's Recognition Ceremony. In May we will be hosting the 3rd annual Political

Science Graduation Celebration for all young graduating political science majors and their families. I invite you to contact me or any of the faculty with news that you would like to share with us and with other department alumni. (dhmarkel@ku.edu)



Pat Egan



John Proctor



Sean O'Brien

Michael Laverty awarded Political Science Future Military Leaders Scholarship

The Department of Political Science is pleased to announce that Michael Laverty is the fall 2012 recipient of the Political Science future Military Leaders Scholarship. This award was made possible through a generous donation by Roberto Montoya and was first awarded in 2011. Michael Laverty is a senior Army ROTC cadet majoring in political science and minoring in History with a 3.43 cumulative GPA and a 3.52 political science GPA. Laverty's father, grandfathers, and great-grandfather all served in the US Army, making Laverty a fourth generation soldier. Laverty's primary interests are in International Relations and he hopes to serve as a Foreign Area Officer in the future. Laverty will graduate in May 2013 and join the Field Artillery branch.



Political Science Student Spotlight: Austin Bussing



The inaugural Allan J. Cigler Academic Enrichment Award was made in April to Austin Bussing. The Cigler award is made possible by an endowed fund established by former students of Professor Cigler who wanted to recognize his long career of teaching and service to KU. Bussing is being presented this award, in this picture to the left, by Assistant Professor Michael Lynch.

The award provided travel funds so that Austin could present his senior thesis titled “Using Institutional and Need-Based Variables to Explain the Local Adoption of LEED Policies” at the Midwest Political Science Association conference in 2012. His project explored the factors that influence the adoption or non-adoption of local sustainability policies in US cities. He focused on policies either mandating or incentivizing compliance with the Leaders in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification program, created by the United States Green Builders Council (USGBC). His results suggest that the extent to which LEED has caught on in certain cities is partially a function of the structure of local government.

Besides being an outstanding student in our major Austin was also a KU Cross Country Academic All Big 12 team athlete. Austin graduated with a BA in Political Science and is now a graduate student in Urban Planning at the University of Texas Austin.

Other Undergraduate Awards

The Ethan P. Allen Pi Sigma Alpha Award to outstanding graduating seniors majoring in political science.

- Margarita Caulfield from Russell
- Keri Schreiner from Shelbyville, Ky.
- Joshua Dean from Overland Park

Quin Reed, Lawrence, received the Emmett L. Bennett Scholarship to an outstanding junior majoring in political science.

The Eldon Fields Award to outstanding seniors majoring in political science.

- William Suarez from Lenexa
- Kyle Patterson from Andover
- Lucas Strubing from Asuncion, Paraguay

Elizabeth and Carl Gustafson Scholarships for outstanding political science undergraduates:

- Kristopher Velasco from Wamego
- Samuel Hofmeier from Wichita
- Tyler Childress from Coffeyville
- Simon Gottfried from Golden Valley, Minn.
- Laura Weaver from Shawnee
- Erin Heckethorn from Cheney
- Jacklyn Baillergeon from Lansing
- Suhayla Sibaai from Wichita

Graduate Student Spotlight: Laura Dean

PhD candidate Laura Dean is traveling in Eastern Europe this year to complete research for her dissertation. She was awarded a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship to conduct part of her in Ukraine 2012-2013. Her dissertation examines policy approaches aimed at addressing human trafficking in the countries of the former Soviet Union. The main research question examines whether variations in the post-Soviet region in regards to human trafficking policy adoption and implementation are due to internal determinants such as the type of political system, level of democracy, bureaucracy, and environmental factors, and/or from external pressure from the U.S. and the international community. Her findings will help to explain why some countries have comprehensive policies while others have none at all and why some of these countries that have human trafficking policies are more effective than others at implementing their anti-trafficking policies.

Based on her dissertation proposal Laura was also awarded the Harry S. Truman Foundation, Sherman and Irene Dreiseszun Scholarship for International Studies, Howard Baumgartel Peace and Justice Award, and a University Women's Club Scholarship in 2012. The Walter Thompson Educational Scholarship Endowment also supported her research in Latvia and she hopes to add research in Russia as additional case in her dissertation in 2013.

Laura also presented two papers last year as a pretest to her dissertation using data from the United States. One paper entitled "The Politics of Human Trafficking: Determinants of Policy Variation in the United States" was presented at The Midwest Political Science Association Conference, in April 2012. The other paper included a case study of Kansas and was presented as part of The Ninth Annual Capital Research Summit to Kansas state legislators at the capital in Topeka. Laura was one of two awardees of the Best Research Poster Award at this research summit.

In addition to her research, Laura serves as the Graduate Student Representative on the Emily Taylor Center for Women and Gender Equity Advisory Board and in this capacity invited Governor Sam Brownback to speak as part of Human Trafficking Awareness Month in January



2012. As a result of this talk KU's Institute for Policy and Social Research, where Laura worked as a human trafficking research assistant from 2010-2011, is working together with the Chancellor's office and Governor's office to host a conference on human trafficking at KU in 2013.

Laura has a MA in Political Science and Graduate Certificate in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies from the University of Kansas and an MAIS in Russian, East European, and Central Asian Studies from the Jackson School of International Studies at the University of Washington. Laura is from Stillwater, Minnesota and received her undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Highlights of Graduate Student Awards and Activities:

Chelsie Bright received a DACOR Bacon House Foundation fellowship for the academic year 2012-2013. The foundation was established for the purpose of contributing to the development of mutual international understanding and strengthening of ties between the people of the United States and other nations. To this end it pursues programs of a public and educational nature to enhance public awareness and foster educated leadership in international affairs. Bright will have the status of a DACOR fellow for life.

Dan Chen's Walter Thompson award from the department assisted her in attending the summer program, Inter-University consortium for Political and Social Research. Dan also received the assistance of a John A. Garcia Scholarship!

Derek Glasgow, who completed his MA this summer and is continuing in the PhD program, presented at the Mid-West Political Science Association in Chicago in April 2012 with a paper titled "The Impact of State Politics and Policy on Fossil Fuel Plant Construction."

Chris Kroh's Walter Thompson award from the department helped to fund field research in Brussels Belgium and Stasbourg France, where he interviewed 85 members of the European Parliament and their staff, and observed 38 closed party meetings for his dissertation research examining how party groups manage dissent and what impact dissent management has on dissent levels.

Matt Miles received Walter Thompson support for his research proposal on "Procedural Fairness and Support for Unequal Political Outcomes." Matt also received the Harris Dissertation Completion Fellowship for 2012-13 from the department

Saatvika (Vika) Rai's Walter Thompson award from the department helped support her research in Kenya, titled "Impacts of climate change on human migration and conflict in Kenya". Vika also received a Ruben Zadigan Scholarship Award from the Environmental Studies program here at the University of Kansas, and she is a Research Associate at the National Science Foundation IGERT C-Change (Climate Change, Humans, and Nature in the Global Environment)

Kristina Youngblood presented a paper titled "The Language of Intervention: R2P in the Case of Libya" at the British International Studies Association in Edinburgh, Scotland, UK in June 2012. While in Scotland, she also participated in a workshop conference "Protecting Human Rights: Duties and Responsibilities of States and Non-State Actors" sponsored by the Glasgow Human Rights Network in Glasgow, Scotland, UK.

Lidiya Zubytska's Thompson award from the department helped with her summer research trip to the 2012 Euro Cup for "Europeanization of Ukraine: The 2012 Euro Cup in Ukraine's Foreign Policy Orientation"



At Pi Sigma Alpha event in the Adams Alumni Center. Pictured are, left to right: Dr. Mark Joslyn, Grad Director, Graduate students, Matt Miles, Chris Kroh, Saatvika Rai, Lidiya Zubytska, Juan Urbano, and Dan Chen.

Whitney Court received the Chancellors GTA award! She has since graduated with her PhD and is teaching at Roanoke College. Here she is pictured with Thomas Heilke, Graduate Dean, and Political Science Prof, and Jeff Vitter, Provost.



Current faculty activities –

Christina Bejarano's book *The Latina Advantage: Gender, Race, and Political Success* with the University of Texas will be in print before the end of the year. She is working on a second book length project, *Unpacking the Latino Gender Gap in U.S. Politics* that delves deeper into the complex gender differences in Latino political behavior and attitudes.

Hannah Britton is currently working on three new projects: 1) state strategies for addressing gender-based violence in southern Africa, 2) governance and AIDS in Africa, and 3) human trafficking policy diffusion.. She is also coordinating a conference in the Spring of 2013 at KU on slavery and human trafficking.

Gail Buttorff joined the faculty in August 2012 after a one-year NYUAD Political Science Fellowship in Abu Dhabi. She is researching projects related to the adoption of election boycotts by opposition parties. For these projects she is developing two journal articles and a book manuscript. In addition she is revising an article examining candidate nomination strategies used by Jordanian tribes during parliamentary elections.

Al Cigler is winding down his phased retirement period and is likely teaching his last class this semester. He is currently collecting material on group money and activity in the 2012 federal elections, and recently co-authored (with Loomis) the 8th edition of *Interest Group Politics* along with four book chapters.

Dorothy Daley is researching several projects, including water infrastructure and public health, the flypaper effect and environmental investment, conflict and collaboration in urban redevelopment networks. She is also teaming with a variety of KU faculty on two grant proposals related to health and the environment.

Alesha E. Doan is currently researching the influence of contemporary abortion politics on public policy and American culture by examining organizational innovation, strategy development, and activists' belief systems in the contemporary prolife and prochoice movements. Professor Doan is on sabbatical for fall 2012.

Ron Francisco is working on a large-scale data collection project with Christian Davenport (University of Michigan); they are coding news accounts by state in the U.S. to examine patterns of protest, conflict and civil unrest

Don Haider-Markel is completing an edited collection, the *Oxford handbook of State and Local Government*, is co-authoring *Pulled Over: Racial Framing of Police Stops* with Chuck Epp and Steven Maynard Moody for the University of Chicago Press, and is co-editing *Transgender Rights and Politics* with Jami Taylor for the University of Michigan Press. He is also co-authoring a chapter for the new edition of *Women and Elective Office* (Oxford) with graduate student Chelsie Bright.

Tom Heilke is currently serving as Dean of the Graduate School at KU.

Erik Herron is on leave serving the second year of a two-year stint as a Program Director at the National Science Foundation in Washington, DC. He has forthcoming articles in *Party Politics* and the *Journal of East European and Asian Studies*. Erik is also scheduled to monitor Ukraine's 2012 parliamentary election as an international observer

Paul Johnson is currently serving as the Associate Director of the Center for Data Analysis at KU.

Mark Joslyn is serving as Graduate Director (effective July 2012) and is continuing his research on political attributions of blame and citizens' factual understanding of politics. In this vein he recently published an article in *Social Science Quarterly* with Don Haider-Markel on attributions of blame for mass shootings.

Faculty continued...

John Kennedy is serving as the Director of the Center for Global and International Studies (CGIS) at KU

Burdett Loomis has been on the road giving more than 20 talks on the election and curating an exhibit (Politics as Symbol/Symbol as Politics) at the Spencer Museum of Art. He is preparing for his spring 2013 Fulbright Flinders University Distinguished Chair in American Political Science, which will take him to Adelaide, Australia. He is also wrapping up his first year as a founding co-editor of *Interest Groups & Advocacy*.

Michael Lynch recently completed a co-authored project (*Journal of Politics*) assessing how strong partisan control in the U.S. House and the filibuster in the Senate combine to affect the ideological content of lawmaking in the United States. He also recently co-authored an article for *Social Science Quarterly* that examines when Congress records its votes and when they choose to leave them unrecorded.

Mariya Omelicheva is serving as Acting Director of the Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies and has just completed a book manuscript on ideological contestation of democracy promotion in Central Asia and received a contract from Lexington for an edited volume on Nationalisms and Identity in Central Asia (with Reuel Hanks). She was also invited to speak on Islam in Central Asia at the University of Essex in November 2012

Gary Reich is currently researching state policy responses to immigration in the US. This past year, his research on the politics of state immigration was published in *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*. He also has a co-authored (with Pedro dos Santos) article forthcoming in *Latin American Politics and Society* on evangelical politicians in Brazilian legislative politics.

Robert Rohrschneider is working on several papers that follow up a number of themes of his just published book *The Strain of Representation. How Parties Represent Diverse Voters in Western and Eastern Europe* (co-authored with Stephen Whitefield and published by Oxford University Press in September 2012). He is also co-editing (and contributing to) a special issue for *Environmental Politics* that will bring together scholars from across the globe for a special symposium on citizens' attitudes about the environment.

Paul Schumaker is serving as the Gene A Budig Teaching Professor for 2012-13. He is currently reworking an article on "Group Involvement in American Communities and Pluralist Theory," that has been tentatively accepted by the *Urban Affairs Review*.

Elaine Sharp extending her recent work on local policing policy to include an assessment of the factors that shape order maintenance policing in general and racial bias in order maintenance policing in particular. She is also collaborating (with Professor Daley) on studies of the factors shaping cities' uptake of sustainability policy and the impacts of those policies.

Brent Steele is working on two book projects; the first, is a co-edited volume titled *Reflexivity and International Relations theory*, the second is currently titled *Towards a Micropolitics of Security*. In addition to these book projects he has two forthcoming book chapters addressing Just War Theory in recent U.S. foreign policy and is also working on co-authored projects examining recent humanitarian crisis.

Jiso Yoon is working on a research project examining advocacy and public policymaking in East Asia, analyzing average patterns of involvement, interaction, and influence in the policy communities of Japan and Korea today. In the summer of 2012, she travelled to Japan and Korea to collect data on public policy advocacy in the two countries.



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