

Political Science and International Relations



EVENTS

11/21
WOMEN'S EQUALITY RALLY
12:15-1:15pm outside the SUB
(in the event of rain, SUB 100)

12/9
LAST DAY OF CLASSES
Don't forget about the party →

1/21/14
**SPRING SEMESTER CLASSES
BEGIN**
Dress warmly.

**WEDNESDAYS
POLITICAL SCIENCE AND
INTERNATIONAL
RELATIONS CLUB**
Meets every week at 6pm in SUB
407. Be there. Facebook link:

[https://www.facebook.com/
groups/280766691979829/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/280766691979829/)

Department
Party (!)



Look your best when you show up on Monday, December 9th at 5:00pm in JFT 1010 for our End-of-

the-Semester bash. Decompress before finals, chat with your professors. And have some pizza . . .

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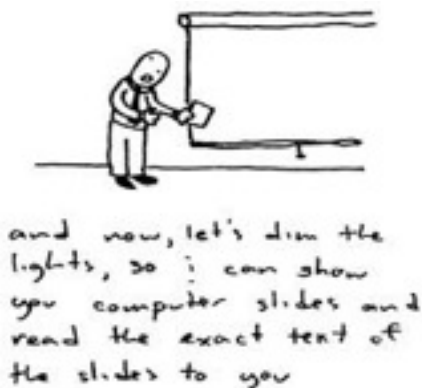
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International Relations Search

The Department is in the final stages of searching for our permanent International Relations specialist, slated to begin here in the Fall 2014 semester, and we're bringing candidates to campus in the next few weeks.

As part of this process, we are soliciting student feedback on the candidates. Each candidate will have a time set aside specifically to speak with students in the department. Additionally, we encourage you to come and hear the candidates give their formal job talks. The faculty search committee will formally solicit your opinions after each event.

With that in mind, please save the following dates and times:



Date	Meeting	Time	Place
11/26	Student Meeting Job Talk	9:10-10:00 2:00-3:00	CSB 54 LC 102
12/2	Student Meeting Job Talk	9:25-10:40 2:00-3:00	CSB 54 HUM 201
12/6	Student Meeting Job Talk	9:30-10:30 3:00-4:00	JFT 1010 HUM 115
12/13	Student Meeting Job Talk	T.B.A. T.B.A.	



First Person

Conferences



Tom Savidge ('14) at SCUSA

The 65th annual Student Conference on United States Affairs (SCUSA) at the United States Military Academy was an extremely rewarding experience. This year's theme was "Navigating Demographic Flows" and I was assigned to the table "Pensions and Palliative Care." My panel spent four days discussing ideas for Social Security reform based on the changing

demographics in American society. On my panel I worked with students from all over the world including Ireland, Hong Kong, Thailand, and Canada and opinions varied across the political spectrum. Several times throughout the weekend the discussion came to a gridlock because of the differences in opinions, but we managed to come to a solution that appealed to everyone. By the end of the weekend, we all became closer and continue our discussion over email.

I also stayed in the Eisenhower Barracks with the cadets. It was interesting to see life as a cadet. I previously assumed that cadet life left one with no social life or free time but I could not have been more wrong. Although cadets adhere to strict schedules, they still had some free time. I spent time talking with my host about video games and music we both enjoyed and learned about West Point's history too. I also had the opportunity to go to the First Class Club. This was a pub where seniors could go get a beer, eat some bar food, and watch ESPN like any other college student. This weekend at West Point taught me that military and civilian life have more in common than one would imagine.

Academics: Podcast Recommendation

Martha Nussbaum on Human Rights

Philosopher Martha Nussbaum was the subject of a recent Canadian Broadcast Corporation (CBC) "Ideas" program titled "Fragile Freedoms." In it, Nussbaum talks about how the subject of human rights can be best understood in terms of capabilities. The Nussbaum piece was part of a larger series called "The Struggle for Human Rights." Good listening for the Thanksgiving



Break. Find it here: <http://www.cbc.ca/player/Radio/Ideas/ID/2415471420/> or podcast it on i-Tunes.

Time Wasters

Can You Solve Slate's Gerrymandering Jigsaw Puzzle?

Find out at Slate.com:

http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/map_of_the_week/2013/08/gerrymandering_jigsaw_puzzle_game_put_the_congressional_districts_back_together.html



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