

# Political Science and International Relations



Talks

## The UN and the Environment

### IMPORTANT DATES:

TUESDAYS

#### PISA MEETING

The Politics and International Studies Association: SUB 209, 5:00-6:00pm

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#### THE UN AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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#### CHARLES DUMAS

3:30, JFT 1010. See page 3 for details

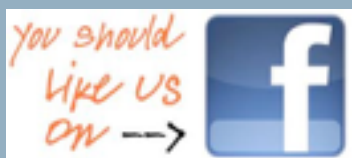
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#### THE VALUE OF A LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE

Panel discussion. Terrace, 3:00pm. See p. 5 for details.

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# Tonight! Don't Miss it!



DR NANDHINI KRISHNA, Deputy Chief of Office  
UNCCD/CBD liaison office

## The UN and Environment

Dr. Nandhini Iyer Krishna is the Deputy Chief of Office of the UNCCD/CBD liaison office in New York. She represents the UN Convention to Combat Desertification at the UN and the Convention on Biological Diversity. She is an expert on environment issues, with over twenty years of firsthand experience contributing to the negotiation and adoption of several environmental protocols. Prior to joining the UN she was a career diplomat with the Government of India, and has served in diplomatic missions in Russia, Hungary and the Permanent Mission of India to the UN.



DISCOVER YOU.  
DISCOVER THE WORLD.

Ms. Krishna will provide an overview of the work of the UN in creating awareness about a range of environmental issues, from climate change and ocean acidification to biodiversity, land degradation and drought, taking stock of the various initiatives including the UN Sustainable Development Summit 2015 and the upcoming Climate Change COP in Paris beginning in late November 2015.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2015**

**6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**

**Lecture Center, Room 100**

**SUNY New Paltz**

For more information, contact Christian Speedling, Study Abroad Advisor at SUNY New Paltz, (845) 257-3979, speedlic@newpaltz.edu

#### Co-Sponsors of the Talk:

UNA-USA Hudson Valley Chapter, Center for International Programs, Climate Action Coalition, Environmental Studies, Political Science and International Relations



## Internships

**Legislative Gazette**

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The Legislative Gazette is being relaunched in January as an online newspaper for New York State politics and policy. It is the premier internship for students who are eager to immerse themselves in political reporting, in a real newsroom setting, writing and publishing hard news and feature stories that actually make a difference. Gazette interns will write about the politics, policy and people who make New York State run. Student reporters will cover press conferences alongside veteran reporters from all the major news organizations, sit in on legislative sessions in the historic state Capitol, and meet important decision makers every day. Gain valuable experience in writing for the web, blogging, social media, photography, videography and radio. Up to 15 credits are available, as well as a stipend and tuition waivers for qualified students. Applications are on the Legislative Gazette bulletin board in the CSB basement or email Gazette Editor James Gormley at [gormleyj@newpaltz.edu](mailto:gormleyj@newpaltz.edu).

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## Internships

**Senator Schumer**

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**Senator Schumer's 2016 Spring Internship in Hudson Valley  
Regional Office: Peekskill, NY**

**Deadline:** December 18, 2015.

Interns will be expected to perform a wide variety of duties, including assisting the Regional Director and Deputy Regional Director in daily office operations, policy research, and event planning. Additionally, interns will be responsible for providing constituent services to individuals who contact the office seeking assistance. Interns will be able to work with all levels of Senate staff, other federal, state, local agencies. Interns will frequently work on team and individual projects as well as develop ideas for local, state, and federal policy.

Students who apply for this internship should demonstrate a high level of maturity and professional responsibility. Experience working in a government or political office is preferred. It is crucial applicants possess strong verbal and written communication skills. Demonstrated ability to manage others will also be considered.

Interns will be expected to work a minimum of 8-10 hours per week. Their specific scheduling will be determined based upon class schedule and availability. In accordance with United States Senate policy, all internships are unpaid. Work will be performed in the Peekskill, NY office.

Students may do this internship for academic credit. Those interested should submit an application (found online at [www.schumer.senate.gov](http://www.schumer.senate.gov)), resume, cover letter, and short 3-5 page writing sample by fax at 914-734-1673, or by email to Brandon Graham at [brandon\\_graham@schumer.senate.gov](mailto:brandon_graham@schumer.senate.gov). Please include the days and times that you are available to work and your contact information.

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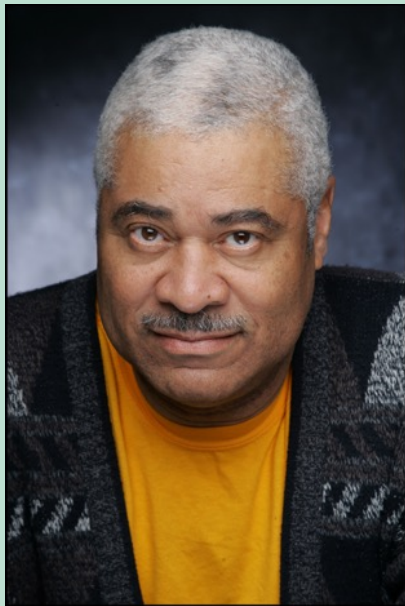
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**Charles Dumas, '75**

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**Charles Dumas**

Thursday, November 12, 2015

**From Brown to Obama, A Personal Perspective**

Dumas is a 1975 graduate from New Paltz, majoring in Political Science with a minor in Black Studies. He was a New Paltz Alumnus of the Year. He received his juris doctorate from Yale Law School and was a research assistant at the United Nations. In the 80's, he was a member of the New Paltz College Council and adjunct instructor. Having taught at Temple University, Stellenbosch, and the University of the Free State in South Africa, he recently retired from Penn State University after teaching there for nearly 20 years.

**3:00pm      JFT 1010      SUNY New Paltz**

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## Jobs

**HelpMeSee**

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HelpMeSee is campaign to eradicate blindness caused by cataracts. Since 2012, they have supported over 200,000 surgeries in 8 countries. They are looking for someone who will be responsible in managing the UN Delegate Program and will work with the UN representatives and possibly other members of staff.

**Job Responsibilities:**

- Responsible for managing, planning and implementing the UN Delegate Program
- Manage the UN Representatives
- Organize, plan and execute the meetings each UN representative attends.
- Set up and use the different communication platforms to facilitate the communications between the UN representatives and HelpMe
- Draft and finalize the speeches to be presented at each UN meeting.
- Ensure that reports are submitted on a timely basis from the UN Representatives.
- Strategize and plan how to grow the UN Delegate Program

**Qualifications**

- To be able to travel as needed
- Shows interest and involvement in international affairs and NGO development.
- Experience working in a multi-cultural environment
- Excellent document drafting/writing, written and oral communication skills
- Excellent English verbal and written skills
- Fluency / proficiency in other languages is strongly preferred
- Strong computer skills; proficiency in MS Office
- Past experience in Model United Nations is a bonus.

Please email cover letter and resume to [jobs@helpmeseec.org](mailto:jobs@helpmeseec.org) with the email subject heading as follows: "HelpMeSee Supervisor of UN Delegate Program."

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Your Life

## What Your Degree Could Get You


**CLAUDETTE ALDEBOT**

Spanish major,  
Women's Studies minor, 2006  
Marketing and Recruiting  
Manager, Latino Market;  
New York Life


**ARBER COBAJ**

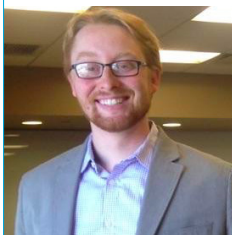
Philosophy, 2015  
Director of Program  
Development,  
Skytop Strategies


**HEATHER GRAHAM**

Black Studies major,  
Women's Studies minor, 1997  
Digital Director,  
The Daily Gazette


**KATHLEEN (KT) TOBIN**

Sociology, 1992  
Associate Director,  
The Benjamin Center,  
SUNY New Paltz


**ABE UCHITELLE**

Political Science major,  
Philosophy minor, 2010  
Senior Vice President of  
Business Development,  
DragonSearch

# Classroom to Career: THE VALUE OF A LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE

A SPEAKER PANEL

**November 18, 2015**

3-4:30 pm

The College Terrace

Sponsored by Career Resource Center, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Major Connections.



Department

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## PSIR Office Hours

Benjamin, Gerald	HAB 704a	By appointment
Bennett, Heather	JFT 406	M R 12:30 - 2:00
Brownstein, Lewis	JFT 1016	By appointment
Crook, Max	JFT 404	M W 3:30 - 4:30
Dowley, Kathleen	Southside JFT 920	M 1:30 - 3:30 F 1:45 - 3:15 T 1:45 - 3:15
Kassop, Nancy	JFT 812	M 2:00 - 3:00 T 10:00 - 12:00 W 1:00 - 2:00
Lipson, Daniel	JFT 810	By appointment
Lefkowitz, Joel	JFT 818	M R 11:00 - 12:00 W 1:00 - 4:00
Mauceri, Phillip	OM 302	MWR 3:30 - 4:30 T 10:00 - 11:00
Miller, Jeff	JFT 816	T F 9:00 - 10:30 W 12:00 - 1:00
Minkoff, Scott	JFT 1008	W 11:00 - 12:30 R 9:30 - 12:00
Ozler, Ilgu	JFT 912	T 1:00 - 5:00
Pampinella, Stephen	JFT 1000	W 10:00 - 11:00 W 1:30 - 2:30 R 10:00 - 12:00
Schwartz, Jonathan	JFT 1016	By appointment