**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**
POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION
Meet your colleagues. Discuss politics. SUB 408. 7:00pm.

4/18
**FILM: THE HUDSON: A RIVER AT RISK**
7:00pm, LC 100, with director Jon Bowermaster & Zephyr Teachout.

4/19
**CLIMATE CHAOS, CORPORATE GREED**
5:30pm, SUB 401. Come learn about holding oil and gas companies responsible for climate change.

4/21-2
**CONFERENCE: WOMEN IN POLITICS**
At New Paltz and the FDR Library. See page 3 for details.

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**Department Registration**

Here are some things to remember as you register for classes this week and next.

1. Don’t miss your registration time!
2. You must talk with your advisor prior to registering.
3. For the 2017-2018 academic year, remember the following:

   - **POL 390 Junior Seminar** (Dowley). Juniors with an interest in IR or Comparative politics are strongly encouraged to sign up for this course. This may also be taken as a senior seminar, and if so will count as Writing Intensive. Please sign up for this course by emailing Professor Miller: millerj@newpaltz.edu.

   - **POL 404 Senior Seminar** (Pampinella). Please sign up for this course by emailing Professor Miller: millerj@newpaltz.edu.

   - **Constitutional Law Requirement for Law & Politics Minor**: For 2017-2018, the Constitutional Law requirement can be filled by POL 393 First Amendment Law and Policy (Fall 2017).

   - **American and Law students** may also want to take an Honors Seminar on Administrative Law taught by Federal Administrative Law Judge Robert Weisel (MR 3:30-4:45). Contact Jeff Miller if you’re interested in this course.

   - **Theory Requirement**: For the 2017-2018 Academic year, the theory requirement for Political Science can be filled with any of the following courses:
     - POL 323 Sovereigns and Subjects (Summer 2017)
     - POL 331 American Political Thought (Spring 2018)
     - HIS 408 Intellectual History of 20th Century Europe
     - PHI 311 Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
     - WOM 421 Feminist Theory
SUNY New Paltz’s 2017 Model European Union team:

Congratulations to the SUNY New Paltz Model EU Team, which participated in the 30th annual SUNY Model EU. This was Professor Dowley's 10th year directing the New Paltz team. Next year they'll meet in Brussels during January intercession, combined with 10 day study mission (Jan 7-17, 2018).

Pictured: Elizabeth Turner, Ian Donaldson, Nikki Donofrio, Emma Mont, Professor Kathleen Dowley, Jesmine Romanelli, Kirs Drobnicki, Austin Alvarado, Laura (La La) Mieses, Kylee Leonard, Halle Anderson, Danielle Finn, Mona Mahraoui, and Teresa Mandri. New Paltz played the presidency team (Malta), Belgium, Luxembourg, and Slovakia.

Scholarships

Brownstein Travel Scholarship

The 2017 Professor Lewis Brownstein International Relations Travel and Research Endowed Fund is now open to accept applications. Established in 2016 by the Department of Political Science and International Relations in honor of Professor Emeritus Lewis Brownstein, the scholarship provides a margin of excellence by supporting student travel to foreign countries with an academic component. Applicants must have completed their fourth semester prior to travel, be registered as a major in either International Relations or Political Science, full-time, have a grade point average of at least 3.0, and have completed at least nine credits in the major.

Details [https://newpaltz.academicworks.com/opportunities/2506](https://newpaltz.academicworks.com/opportunities/2506)

Deadline: 1 May 2017
Conferences

Women in Politics

Registration is now open for “Women in Politics: Past, Present & Future,” a conference commemorating the centennial of women’s suffrage in New York State, which will begin on Friday, April 21, at the FDR Library in Hyde Park, N.Y., and will continue on Saturday, April 22, at SUNY New Paltz.

The conference is a product of collaboration between the Benjamin Center for Public Policy Initiatives, local historically-focused organizations and a number of the College’s academic departments.

[Please follow this link to learn more and register: www.newpaltz.edu/benjamincenter]

Summer

Human Rights Delegation In Rwanda

Applications are open for students to participate in Global Youth Connect’s (GYC) Human Rights Delegation in Rwanda from August 6 - August 19, 2017.

Global Youth Connect aims to play whatever positive role it can in assisting the youth of Rwanda in furthering their progress and promise, and repairing some of the damage that international actors caused to this small nation, its people, and the whole world in the process.

For more information please visit: http://www.globalyouthconnect.org/rwanda. You can also send any questions to outreach@globalyouthconnect.org.
Trips

PISA goes to Washington, D.C.

Students with the Political and International Studies Association traveled over spring break to Washington, D.C. with Professor Nancy Kassop. In addition to the regular highlights, this year students got to attend hearings for both Supreme Court nominee Gorsuch as well as House Intelligence Committee hearings with FBI Director Comey. Pictured here: Richard Pezzella, Jennifer Covais, Kirsa Drobnicki, Jimmy Collins, Julianna Mullane, Elee Wolf-Sonkin, Samantha Klein, Rebecca Grigas, Travis Tropeano, Arjeta Prenaj, and Halimat Sulayman.

Scholarships

LA&S Internship Scholarship

Have an internship this summer? Think about applying for the LA&S Internship Scholarship. These merit-based awards take into account GPA, internship quality, relevance of the internship for the major, and educational goals.

Guidelines:

- You must be a major in a department or program in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- You must have a 3.3 or higher GPA
- Preference is given to juniors. Seniors graduating in May or August are not eligible.

To apply, submit:

1. A 300-500 word description of internship and its relation to your major, educational goals, and career plans.
2. A resume
3. An academic transcript
4. Two letters of recommendation from your professors.
5. Provide a statement of financial need and copy of your FAFSA form.

Deadline: May 1, 2017 The link to Apply for Scholarships Online can be found on my.newpaltz.edu by clicking on Money then Apply for Scholarships Online under Financial Aid
Scholarships

Judy Paige O’Brien LA&S Scholarship

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Scholarships

Centrino Family/Rubin Benjamin Scholarship

The Benjamin Center is pleased to announce the availability of the Cetrino Family/Rubin Benjamin Scholarship. This undergraduate scholarship includes an internship to provide experience in applied policy research at The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz for the 2017/18 academic year.

The Cetrino Family/Rubin Benjamin scholarship provides a year-long full tuition award and a paid internship for an outstanding junior or senior who is interested in a career in public service. An interested applicant must be a full-time student and may be in any academic major. Applicants should be entering their junior or senior year at SUNY New Paltz in the fall of 2017, have a grade point average of at least 3.0, and be available to intern at The Benjamin Center for at least 10 hours per week during the academic year and at least half-time for the following summer. In addition to academic performance, financial need will be considered in making this award.

Interested students should apply through Scholarships Online which can be found on www.my.newpaltz.edu on the Students tab under Money. A letter of interest, an unofficial transcript, and recommendations from two faculty members must be received no later than May 15, 2017. In early June qualified applicants will be invited to interview via Skype.

For more information faculty or interested students may contact The Benjamin Center at 845.257-2901 or Benjamincenter@newpaltz.edu.
Scholarships

Sustainability Scholarship

Check out their webpage at: https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/index.php?menu=2857

Community Involvement

Spring Cleaning

Nick Libretti ('18) has organized a Rail Trail clean-up on May 6th. This is official Volunteer work that can be used in grad/law school applications. We will be working in partnership with Amy Cohen who is a leading Democrat and who is the proud owner of the Groovy Blueberry in New Paltz.

Where: 1 Water Street, New Paltz

When: May 6th

Time: 9:00 am please arrive 30 mins prior.

Please contact Nick at librettn1@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu to indicate you’re coming or for more information.
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