

Political Science and International Relations



DATES AND DEADLINES

8/26 - 9/1

ADD/DROP PERIOD

You can do this for yourself, unless you're here for the first semester. If so, you have to speak with your advisor.

9/1

DECEMBER GRADS

Applications due in Records and Registration.

9/2 - 9/9

ADD/DROP

You can add or drop a class with permission from the instructor.

9/10 - 11/1

COURSE WITHDRAWAL

You can withdraw from a course during this period (but the school will charge you).

10/4

COURSE INCOMPLETES

This is the last day to submit work for a course graded incomplete during the Spring or Summer semesters

Fall 2013

Welcome Back to Campus.

We hope you had a restful and productive summer break and are ready to begin another academic year. We're looking forward to seeing you all in classes as well as your participation in departmental events and the Political Science Club meetings this term.

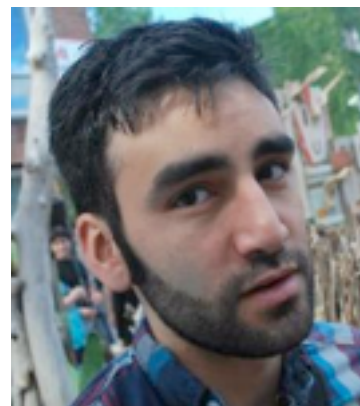
There are lots of things happening this year both on and off campus. Here are a few bits of information to get you started.

New Faculty

You'll notice a new face in our department this fall. Steve Pampinella is joining us as a lecturer for the 2013-2014 academic year. Pampinella is a Ph.D. candidate at the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the University of Albany. His dissertation title is "Bargaining, Coercion, and Military Practices in Major Counterinsurgency Wars."

Pampinella will be teaching Introduction to International Politics and International

Relations Theory this fall. In the spring he'll teach American Foreign Policy and Introduction to International Politics. Be sure to stop by his office (JFT 1000) to say hello.



Steve Pampinella

Spring Seminars

We're trying to ensure that we schedule enough seats for the Spring 2014 seminars.

Currently, Professors Kassop and Dowley are scheduled to teach seminars in Law and Comparative Politics, respectively.

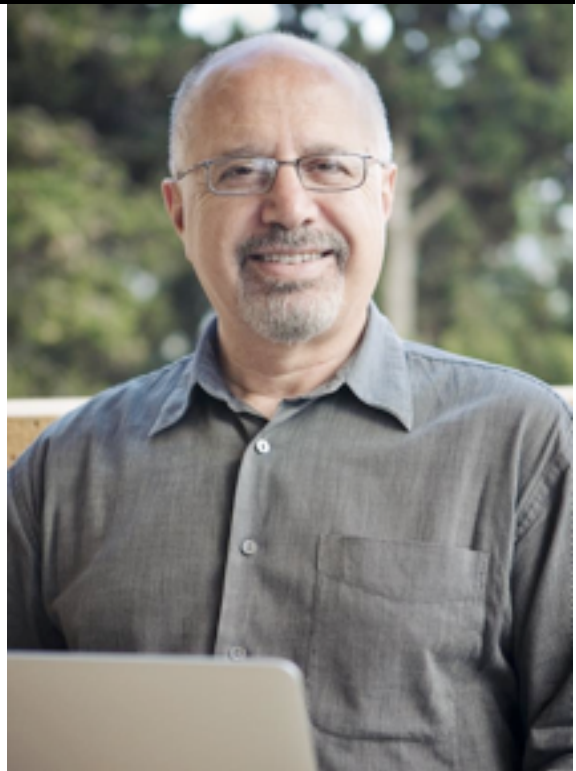
If you plan on taking *either* senior seminar next semester, please email Jeff Miller: (millerj@newpaltz.edu).

THE PEACE PUZZLE

AMERICA'S QUEST FOR ARAB-ISRAELI PEACE, 1989-2011

On Monday, September 23rd in the CSB Auditorium, University of Maryland Professor Shibley Telhami will talk about the on-going attempt to ground a sustainable peace in the Middle East. Come hear Professor Telhami and join us at a reception following his remarks.

See you all there.



Department Matters

Search for a New International Relations Professor

This semester the department is beginning a search for a new Assistant Professor in International Relations. Later this semester the department will be bringing candidates to campus for interviews and job talks. We encourage you to attend both the job talks and classroom sessions; we value your input.

On Campus

Democracy Matters

Democracy Matters is starting up a new campus organization. Democracy Matters is a non-profit, non-partisan grassroots student political organization that is dedicated to deepening democracy. Democracy Matters advocates for public financing of election campaigns and other pro-democracy reforms in order to get big private and corporate money out of elections and people back in. On-campus student chapters do outreach for education and mobilization. Check out their website at <http://www.democracymatters.org> and if you're interested in participating, email Kelly Kline at n02677356@hawkmil.newpaltz.edu

Off Campus

Internships

Looking for an internship this semester? Try these:

1. New York Government Internships. Lots of positions available, but they'll fill up fast. Check out the website below for a listing of what's available and where.

Fall 2013 Internship Portal:

<https://nysinternships.com/nyl/main/viewinternships.cfm>

Student Internship Portal:

<https://nysinternships.com/nyl/intern/index.cfm>

2. The Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation is looking for a few interns for the next 3 months for a variety of campaign actions. The dates and times would be scattered but never more than 4-5 hours a day. The internship program would end in November when election season is over.

Duties will include phone-banking, canvassing, collecting signatures and helping out with mailers and canvassing.

Contact:

John Speedling / Coordinator
Hudson Valley Area Labor
Federation

Email: jspeedling@hvalf.org

Office: 845-567-7760

Cell: 845-797-6445

Fax: 845.567.7742

www.hvalf.org

3. Assemblyman Luis Sepulveda is sponsoring an internship with his Bronx office. Interns will be involved in a number of administrative and legislative functions including, but not limited to: research, constituent services, data entry, community events in the district, providing supplementary support for staffers.

Interns will be provided with dynamic opportunities to expose themselves, in comprehensive ways, to aspects of the lower chamber of the legislative branch of New York State government. The internships will be unpaid, but there will be the potential for advancement, consequently leading to the possibility of a more permanent and compensatory position.

This is a compelling opportunity for college students interested in the mechanisms of state (and city) governance, and for students who are looking to eventually work in the public arena of municipal, the State or the Federal government. They will gain experience and exposure, elements necessary to effectuate a transition from the theoretical realm of

academia, and apply what they've learned to the tangible realm of working as a public servant.

Interested students should contact:

Deputy Chief of Staff
Office of Assemblyman Luis Sepulveda
87th Assembly District
1973 Westchester Ave.
Bronx, NY 10462
718-931-2620

4. Not finding what you're looking for? See below.

Academic Plans

Talk with your advisor

It's a good time of year to stop by and see your department advisor. Make sure you're on-track to graduate, discuss summer internship plans, and consult about graduate school.