

Political Science and International Relations



IMPORTANT DATES:

MONDAYS
PSIR CLUB MEETING
SUB 409, 5:0

2/4-3/31
**COURSE WITHDRAWAL
PERIOD**
Try not to.

3/16-20
SPRING BREAK (!)
Want to go to DC over it?
Attend the PSIR meeting on
Monday, February 19th, SUB 409,
5:00pm.

Click here:

<https://www.facebook.com/nppolisci>



Summer

Senator Schumer's 2015 Summer Internship



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.

Those interested should submit an application (www.schumer.senate.gov), resume, cover letter, and a 3-5 page writing sample to Brandon Graham at:

brandon_graham@schumer.senate.gov

Please include the days and times that you are available to work and your contact information.

Deadline: March 6, 2015

Conferences

SUNY Oneonta Political Science Conference

Seventh Undergraduate Political Science Conference
College at Oneonta, SUNY
Friday, March 20th, 2015

Paper Proposal Due Date: Friday, February 20th, 2015

Undergraduates are invited to submit papers for SUNY Oneonta's Seventh Undergraduate Political Science Conference. We encourage papers concerning political science and related fields, or topics related to politics and government. Papers should be approximately 7-15 pages in length and presentations approximately 20 minutes long. Specific guidelines for presentations will be sent out upon approval of papers.

As in the past years, the conference will be all day, with paper sessions in the morning and afternoon, with a luncheon and keynote speaker midday. We expect interesting presentations and interaction between students from throughout the northeast to be the centerpiece of the conference. Awards will be given for exceptional papers in each division.

Please submit a full draft of the paper to polisci.conference.oneonta@gmail.com. Please include a completed cover page including; your name, paper title, college/university and contact information. Do not underestimate the quality of a paper. Students are often their hardest critics and should not let that prevent them from taking part in the opportunity.

Students will be notified of their acceptance by March 1st, 2015.

Have questions? Contact:

Kayla Hancock
Chair, Political Science Conference (Hanck28@suny.oneonta.edu)

Research

AYURE Grants



Going to a conference this academic year? Working with a professor on some research? Have an independent study that requires some research? There may be funding available for you through the Academic Year Undergraduate Research Experience program (AYURE).

Check out their website at: http://www.newpaltz.edu/research/usr_ayure.html, or talk with your professor about applying for this program.

Scholarships

Theodore Gordon Flyfishers Founders Fund Scholarship

Award: \$3,500

Funded by: Theodore Gordon Flyfishers

Application deadline: April 1, 2015

The **Theodore Gordon Flyfishers Founders Fund Scholarship** is offered annually, in the name of the TGF founders, to a single recipient who has demonstrated excellence and outstanding dedication in an area of study that falls within an environmental field of a school or department. Eligible students must be enrolled in a full-time program during the award year (2015-2016) at a [member institution of the Environmental Consortium of Colleges & Universities](#). Open to undergraduate students who will have Senior standing as of Fall 2015 and graduate students entering 1st or 2nd year as of Fall 2015. Based on a 4.0 scale, the applicant shall demonstrate merit with a current 3.5 GPA in the environmental concentration courses and an overall minimum 3.0 GPA.

Details and Application: www.environmentalconsortium.org/resources/scholarships/tgf.html

Inquiries: Environmental Consortium Office, info@environmentalconsortium.org or 914-773-3091.

Scholarships

Pace Law Environmental Consortium Merit Scholarship

Award: \$3,000-\$10,000 towards tuition

Application: Accepted on a rolling basis through April 2015.

In support of the Environmental Consortium of Colleges & Universities' mission, Pace Law School is offering a "Merit Scholarship" award to a Fall 2015 entering student who is either currently enrolled in or has earned his or her bachelors or masters degree from one of the Consortium's [member institutions](#) and has demonstrated an interest in environmental issues affecting the Hudson-Mohawk River watershed. Scholarship benefits consist of a merit scholarship ranging from \$3,000 to \$10,000 towards law school tuition, depending upon the student's qualifications and Pace's financial resources. The award is renewable each year based on continued academic excellence. Interested students should attach a half to one page statement to the Law School application of how he or she has been involved in Hudson-Mohawk River watershed environmental issues during their undergraduate work or why they have a particular interest in the environmental issues affecting the region. The scholarship recipient will be expected to complete at least one project related to a regional environmental issue(s) while at Pace Law School.

Details: www.environmentalconsortium.org/resources/scholarships/pacelaw.html

Inquiries: Cathy Alexander, Assistant Dean of Admissions, calexander@law.pace.edu or 914-422-4210 or Jason J. Czarnecki, Executive Director of Environmental Law Programs, jczarnecki@law.pace.edu or 914-422-4242

Speakers

Regina Calcaterra, '88 Political Science (!)

**THE POWER OF RESILIENCE**

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

7:30 p.m.

SUNY New Paltz Lecture Center 100

Book signing and dessert reception to follow event. Regina Calcaterra, '88 is a SUNY New Paltz graduate and The New York Times best-selling author of *Etched in Sand*, a memoir about how she and her siblings survived growing up homeless on Long Island. *Etched in Sand* rose to No. 2 on *The New York Times* best sellers list and, as a result of its messages of resiliency and optimism, has been integrated into middle, high school, and college curricula throughout the U.S.

For the past 26 years, Calcaterra has spent her policy, managerial, and legal career in both the private and public sectors. She presently works as an attorney for New York State. Calcaterra recently served as executive director of two New York State commissions, one related to investigating the state's utility companies' preparation and response to recent significant weather events. The second commission was charged with investigating public corruption. Under her guidance, both commissions issued comprehensive reports identifying recommendations that were primarily adopted into state laws and regulations. Prior to her state appointments, Calcaterra served as chief deputy to the Suffolk County executive, where she managed a county of over 1.6 million residents, a \$2.7 billion annual budget, and a 9,500-employee workforce. During her tenure she managed the county's fiscal crisis and oversaw the county's day-to-day operations and its immediate response and recovery to Super Storm Sandy. The majority of Calcaterra's private sector experience was as a partner to Barrack, Rodos & Bacine, an internationally recognized securities litigation firm where she represented defrauded public and labor pension funds from those who committed corporate fraud on Wall Street.

She proudly serves as board vice president to You Gotta Believe, an organization that works to find older foster children forever homes. She is a graduate of Seton Hall University School of Law and is admitted to practice law in the state of New York, commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the Eastern and Southern U.S. District Courts.

Law School

Practice LSAT Tests

Your *good life* starts with a great score.
Take a free LSAT practice test.

You'll get a detailed score report highlighting your strengths and weaknesses, complete explanations of every question, and strategies for improvement. Take the exam in person or live online.

Register for a free event today!

Note: On-site events are listed in local time and all online events are in Eastern Time.

LSAT Practice Test (LKWR150002)

Saturday, 02/28/2015, 11:00 AM

Marist College

LSAT Practice Test (LKWR150001)

Thursday, 03/19/2015, 06:00 PM

Iona College

LSAT Practice Test (LKGL151005)

Sunday, 02/01/2015, 05:30 PM ET

Live and online

LSAT Practice Test (LKGL151006)

Saturday, 02/07/2015, 01:00 PM ET

Live and online

LSAT Practice Test (LKGL151007)

Sunday, 02/08/2015, 04:00 PM ET

Live and online

Prep smarter, score higher—[guaranteed or your money back](#).*

Link to it:

: [http://www.kaptest.com/lsat/enroll?zip=&tab=events&utm_source=Silverpop&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Rolling%20-%20LSAT%20-%20Event%20-%20Event%20Alert%20-%20No%20offer%20-%20Rolling%20-%20Event%20Start%20-%20Find%20more%20events%20-%20SO%20JR%20SR%20YP%20BL%20-%20\(1\)%20A&utm_content=&spMailingID=7466344&spUserID=NTA2OTM2OTI4OTcS1&spJobID=603675269&spReportId=NjAzNjc1MjY5S0](http://www.kaptest.com/lsat/enroll?zip=&tab=events&utm_source=Silverpop&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Rolling%20-%20LSAT%20-%20Event%20-%20Event%20Alert%20-%20No%20offer%20-%20Rolling%20-%20Event%20Start%20-%20Find%20more%20events%20-%20SO%20JR%20SR%20YP%20BL%20-%20(1)%20A&utm_content=&spMailingID=7466344&spUserID=NTA2OTM2OTI4OTcS1&spJobID=603675269&spReportId=NjAzNjc1MjY5S0)

Film

Screening: Citizen Koch

COME AND VIEW
FEB 24, 2015 6PM

AFTER VIEWING
Q & A WITH
DIRECTORS
CARL DEAL
TIA LESSIN



SUNY NEW PALTZ

CSB AUDITORIUM

In this searing exposé on the state of democracy in America and the fracturing of the Republican Party, Academy Award®-nominated directors Carl Deal and Tia Lessin (*Trouble the Water*, co-producers of *Fahrenheit 9/11* and *Bowling for Columbine*) examine the impact of the Supreme Court's *Citizens United* ruling, which unleashed a torrent of unlimited, anonymous political spending by corporations and billionaires that fundamentally changed the way our democracy works.

But in America's heartland, the filmmakers uncover an unintended side effect of the billionaires' free-for-all: lifelong Republicans whose party loyalty is tested when their families become collateral damage in the GOP fight to take organized labor out at the knees.

Alternately terrifying and funny, *Citizen Koch* is an essential and powerful portrait of our political times. And while the money and influence of David Koch kept *Citizen Koch* from airing on public television, it can't keep the film from screening in theaters... and it can't keep you from seeing it.

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TUESDAY FEB 24, 2015 6:00 PM

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FILM, AND JOIN THE FIGHT AT
CITIZENKOCH.COM

VARIANCE FILMS and ELSEWHERE FILMS present a film by CARL DEAL & TIA LESSIN CITIZEN KOCH with LISA PALATTELLA produced by NEIL DAVOICE cinematographer JOAN CHURCHILL A.S.C. BILL TURNLEY
BANDIA HALLGREN co-executive producer ABIGAIL DISNEY & GUY FETICKER executive producer FARRAD FERRARI producer by TIA LESSIN CARL DEAL GILIAN CALDWELL written and directed by CARL DEAL & TIA LESSIN
ELSEWHERE FILMS VARIANCE

Center for Women in Government & Civil Society's
2015 NEW Leadership New York
Applications Now Open!

2015 NEW Leadership

A Unique Opportunity at the
Center for Women in Government & Civil Society,
Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy,
University at Albany, State University of New York

We are writing to you to ask for your assistance in spreading the word about an exciting undergraduate leader development program at the [Center for Women in Government & Civil Society](#)

Education for Women's (NEW) Leadership Network.

The goals of NLNY are to strengthen policy knowledge and skills of undergraduate women, and invite them to become advocates for positive social change. This intensive week-long summer Institute encourages leadership through action, and urges participants upon graduation from the program to develop and lead a campus/community project by offering competitive mini grant awards. The Institute will be held from Wednesday, May 27, 2015 through Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at the University at Albany campus.

NLNY is open to undergraduate women enrolled at New York State colleges and universities, and to New York State residents enrolled in colleges and universities outside of New York.

Applications are available online at <http://www.albany.edu/womeningov/programs/nlny.shtml>
All applications must be received by March 1, 2015.

Questions? Contact Bilge Avci at [518.591.8762](tel:518.591.8762) and at BAvci@albany.edu
<http://ih.constantcontact.com/fs086/1102609564483/img/50.jpg>
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SWAC

STUDENT WORLD AFFAIRS CONFERENCE

February 28, 2015

You're invited to join the 2015 Student World Affairs Conference- submit a paper and mark your calendars!

The 2nd annual Student World Affairs Conference will be hosted at Marist College on Saturday, February 28, 2015. This year's theme will center on crises and conflict resolution. We welcome proposals from students of political science, history, philosophy, gender studies, economics, business, and more. The conference provides an excellent interdisciplinary venue for undergraduate students, academics, researchers, and professionals in private and public organizations to discuss issues and share their work related to political science and associated disciplines.



The Student World Affairs Conference is sponsored by the World Affairs Council of the Mid-Hudson Valley. For more information, please visit www.hvworldaffairsCouncil.org.



The Student World Affairs Conference will be hosted at Marist College, a liberal arts college in Poughkeepsie, New York. For more information, please visit www.marist.edu.

For more information, contact Danielle Villa at Danielle.Villa1@marist.edu, or Nicholas Bayer at Nicholas.Bayer1@marist.edu.

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Conferences

7th Annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference at the United Nations



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
of the United States of America
A PROGRAM OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOUNDATION

Make your plans now to attend the 7th Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference / UNA-USA Members Day at the UN. The Conference is titled "The UN at 70: A Year for Bold Action."

Date: Friday, February 20th at the United Nations

See the program highlighting anticipated topics and panelists. In addition to the program described, there will be time for networking, Q & A and sharing on social media and a surprise or two. [**Link here for the conference flier.**](#)

Including panel discussions on:

"Marching to Paris: The Road to a Climate Deal"

"The Universal Periodic Review of Human Rights (UPR), the Convention to Eliminate All Forms of Racial Discrimination (CERD) and UNA-USA Participation in these"

"Back to Iraq: The Rise of ISIL and the End of Arab Spring"

"At Home and Abroad: Activism for Universal Human Rights"

Volunteers

Commission on the Status of Women

The 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women and Beijing+20 celebrations are just a few weeks away (March 9-20)! As in previous years, we would like to call for volunteers to provide extra support during the Commission, particularly in our engagement with civil society which will be represented in high numbers this year. 4000 to 5000 NGO representatives are expected!

Volunteers will welcome and direct NGO participants to appropriate venues, provide information on sessions, as well as generally support the registration process. They will be needed for specific time slots as per chart below.

I strongly encourage you to make yourself available for this unmissable opportunity and call on managers to prioritize this request. Please register your interest with Redade Stassis at Redade.Stassis@unwomen.org

A briefing meeting will be provided by the Civil Society Section to all volunteers to answer any questions you may have.

Law School

Virtual Law School Fair

Attention students! Whether you are looking at attending law school this fall or in a couple of years, this online law fair is a free and convenient way to interact with law school representatives right from your computer. Please click [here](#) to register to chat with Midwest law schools on February 18 (available chat times for each school are located on the fair website). A list of the schools attending are listed below:

Capital University Law School
 Case Western Reserve University School of Law
 Chicago-Kent College of Law
 Cleveland-Marshall College of Law
 Creighton University
 Drake Law School
 Indiana University Maurer School of Law
 Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law
 John Marshall Law School
 Marquette University Law School
 Michigan State University College of Law
 Notre Dame Law School
 Ohio Northern University College of Law
 The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law

Saint Louis University School of Law
 Southern Illinois University School of Law
 University of Dayton School of Law
 University of Illinois College of Law
 University of Iowa College of Law
 University of Kansas School of Law
 University of Minnesota Law School
 University of Missouri School of Law
 University of Nebraska College of Law
 University of St. Thomas School of Law - Minneapolis
 University of Wisconsin Law School
 Valparaiso University Law School
 Wayne State University Law School
 William Mitchell College of Law

The Future

Career Resource Center Workshops



Wednesday Workshops

Spring 2015

12:30-1:30p.m.

Humanities 115 (except 4/22)

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Wed. January 28	Internships – <i>Beth King</i>	HUM 115
Wed. February 4	Social Media – <i>Erica Wagner</i>	HUM 115
Wed. February 11	Co-curricular Transcript – <i>Michael Patterson</i>	HUM 115
Wed. February 18	Leadership Skills – <i>Beth King</i>	HUM 115
Wed. February 25	ePortfolio – <i>Emily Zurner</i>	HUM 115
Wed. March 4	Networking – <i>Christine Daly</i>	HUM 115
Wed. March 11	Resume & Cover Letter – <i>Ben Sweet</i>	HUM 115
Wed. March 18	Spring Break – No classes	-----
Wed. March 25	Major to Career – <i>Marcia Tucci</i>	HUM 115
Wed. April 1	Career Fair Prep* – <i>Beth King</i>	HUM 115
*Networking Fair for Internships & Jobs is on Tuesday April 7 in Student Union MPR		
Wed. April 8	Graduate School Prep – <i>Dawn McCaw</i>	HUM 115
Wed. April 15	Interviewing Skills – <i>Emily Zurner</i>	HUM 115
Wed. April 22	Company Research – <i>Anne Deutsch</i>	STL 18
Wed. April 29	Resume – <i>Robert Dietrich</i>	HUM 115

CAREER RESOURCE CENTER

Humanities 105

(845) 257-3265

careers@newpaltz.edu

Department

Visit your professors...

Political Science and International Relations Office Hours

Benjamin, Gerald	HAB 704a	By appointment
Dowley, Kathleen	JFT 920 Southside	M 1:00 - 4:00 R 1:30 - 3:00
Kassop, Nancy	JFT 812	M 12:30 - 2:30 T 1:00 - 2:00 W 12:00 - 1:00
Lipson, Daniel	JFT 810	T 2:00 - 3:00 R 10:00 - 1:00
Lefkowitz, Joel	JFT 818	M R 2:30 - 4:00 W 1:30 - 2:30
Miller, Jeff	JFT 816	T F 10:00-12:00
Pampinella, Stephen	JFT 1000	T 1:00 - 3:00 F 10:00 - 12:00
Rexhepi, Piro	JFT 912	T 1:00 - 3:00
Schwartz, Jonathan	JFT 1016	T 1:00 - 3:00 F 10:00 - 12:00