

Political Science and International Relations



IMPORTANT DATES:

**MONDAYS
POLITICAL AND
INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
ASSOCIATION MEETING**
SUB 407, 5:00p.m.

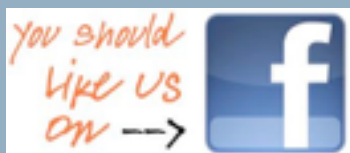
**3/31
LAST DAY FOR COURSE
WITHDRAWAL**
Try not to.

**4/13
CULTURE AND PRACTICE IN
THE US AND CHINA**
4:00pm. See page 5 for details.

**4/18
SEX MONEY AND POWER**
11:30am - 8:00pm. Terrace. See
page 8 for details.

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Academics

Fall 2015 Schedule Notes

The Fall 2015 schedule of classes is up and soon you'll need to register. A few things to keep in mind:

- Be sure to make an appointment with your advisor *early* to work out a schedule. You must see your advisor before registering. Review your progress report before you visit your advisor.
- Resolve any unpaid fines or bills (library fees, parking tickets, *etc.*). If you don't, you won't be able to register.
- Check to see if you're eligible to take the course before attempting to register (some classes are restricted by credit level, others by pre-requisites).
- **Senior Seminar.** The senior seminar in the fall semester is a law seminar, taught by Professor Kassop. Students from *any field* may take this seminar for their graduation requirement. In the Spring 2016 semester the department will offer seminars in American Government and International Relations. *If you want to register for the fall seminar, you must email Jeff Miller (millerj@newpaltz.edu) to reserve a spot.* Priority will be given to students graduating in December, and then to those graduating in May of 2016.
- The *preliminary* Spring 2016 schedule is posted on the next page to assist you in planning your courses for the year.

Academics

Provisional Spring 2016 Schedule for PSIR

POL216-01	American Govt and Politics	MWR	09:30 AM - 10:40 AM	Lefkowitz
POL216-03	American Govt and Politics	TWF	09:30 AM - 10:40 AM	Lipson
POL216-04	American Govt and Politics	TWF	02:00 PM - 03:10 PM	Minkoff
POL227-01	Intro International Politics	TWF	08:00 AM - 09:10 AM	Pampinella
POL227-02	Intro International Politics	TWF	08:00 AM - 09:10 AM	Staff
POL229-01	Intro to Comparative Politics	MWR	08:00 AM - 09:10 AM	Ozler
POL229-02	Intro to Comparative Politics	MWR	11:00 AM - 12:10 PM	Mauceri
POL300-01	Scope and Methods	TF	09:30 AM - 10:45 AM	Minkoff
POL301-01	State Politics	MR	02:00 PM - 03:15 PM	Benjamin
POL311-01	Amer Environmental Politics	TF	02:00 PM - 03:15 PM	Lipson
POL317-01	American Judiciary	TF	09:30 AM - 10:45 AM	Kassop
POL320-01	Protest Movements	MR	12:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Lefkowitz
POL323-01	Sovereigns, Subjects	TWF	02:00 PM - 03:10 PM	Miller
POL342-01	Politics of Developing Areas	MR	02:00 PM - 03:15 PM	Mauceri
POL350-01	Introduction to Law	TF	08:00 AM - 09:15 AM	Zuckerman
POL351-01	Con Law: National Govt	TF	12:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Kassop
POL356-01	Sex Discrimination & Law	TF	12:30 PM - 01:45 PM	Lipson
POL357-01	International Law	MR	03:30 PM - 04:45 PM	Kassop
POL365-01	Politics of the Asia-Pacific	TF	02:00 PM - 03:15 PM	Staff
POL370-01	United Nations Semester	T	05:00 PM - 07:50 PM and all day Fridays	Pampinella
POL371-01	Latin American Politics	MR	09:30 AM- 10:45 AM	Mauceri
POL379-01	Women in Politics	MR	11:00 AM- 12:15 PM	Dowley
POL401-01	Seminar in American	W	03:30 PM - 06:20 PM	Lefkowitz
POL404-01	Seminar in IR	M	03:30 PM - 06:20 PM	Ozler

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	M 10:00 - 12:00 T 1:00 - 3:00
Rexhepi, Piro	JFT 912	T 1:00 - 3:00
Schwartz, Jonathan	JFT 1016	T 1:00 - 3:00 F 10:00 - 12:00

Fieldwork

Notes from Professor Ozler - On Sabbatical in Turkey

This semester I am on sabbatical in Turkey doing research, along with Professor Brian Obach from the Sociology department. We are studying the environmental movement and the civil society organizations working for environmental protection. Our research is informed by the literature on global civil society. Scholars have found that countries tend to effectively implement policies when they are party to international agreements and have active civil society organizations to ensure fulfillment of those obligations. Turkey is currently involved in a process through which it hopes to join the European Union. In order to do so, it must meet a set of standards required of EU members. We

wanted to determine if and how Turkish civil society organizations utilize EU environmental requirements to leverage domestic policy change.

We're using a number of different methodologies to answer our research question, but our main focus while here has been to interview the actors involved in this process including NGO leaders, activists and government officials. We have been interviewing NGOs leaders from all different types of organizations. Some of these organizations are more established nationally like the World Wildlife Fund Turkey and the Turkish Foundation for Combating Soil Erosion, for Reforestation and the Protection of Natural Habitats. Others are professional associations like the Chamber of Engineers. The Turkish Bar Association has many lawyers in their Environmental Commission who file lawsuits pro bono for those who do not have resources. We have also interviewed activist leaders from villages that are threatened by mine or power plant development where they grow food. We also talked to some organizations that are trying to dissociate themselves from the state all together in order to create alternative models of sustainable living, like eco-villages using permaculture systems. There is so much to analyze in the interviews, but we already see that there are complications associated with our hypothesis and the expectations implied by the literature. Although the EU process and other environmental obligations that the Turkish government has undertaken should foster progress in the policy arena, many environmental leaders see difficulty in using these international pressures to their advantage at this point in time.

That's because the current government has put forth a tremendous development agenda. They have essentially suspended their efforts to enter the European Union while seeking to rapidly build the Turkish economy. Many of their development goals are environmentally damaging including building two nuclear power plants, 60 coal power plants and hundreds of hydroelectric power plants in ecologically sensitive areas. There are hundreds of kilometers of new road being laid, and bridges and new airports being built. These efforts support the most polluting industries and there is very little emphasis placed on the development of renewable energy.

I look forward to sharing with you our results next year once we write our paper. In the meantime, Istanbul has had very nice weather allowing us to walk to almost all of our meetings, except for when we have to cross the Bosphorous channel. We have been learning a lot and enjoying our work. But I miss New Paltz, my colleagues in the department and of course, most of all, my students. The only thing I have not missed is the horrible winter I hear you are having.

Speakers

Human Rights in China

Human Rights,
Discrimination
and the Law:

CULTURE+
PRACTICE
IN THE
U.S.+CHINA



PHILIP BERKOWITZ
"Defending Foreign Companies Operating
in the U.S."



TIFFANY MA
"When Foreign Nationals Sue U.S. Employers"



CHRIS KWOK
"Prosecuting Foreign Companies Operating
in the U.S."



BIN XIE
"Advocating for the Rights of Disabled Persons
in China"

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2015 • 4:00 PM • JACOBSON FACULTY TOWER 1010

Biographies

PHILIP BERKOWITZ '75 is a SUNY New Paltz graduate and Foundation Board member. He is the U.S. co-chair of Littler Mendelson's International Employment Law Practice and advises multinational and domestic companies in a wide range of industries on employment-related matters. He has significant experience advising multinational companies regarding U.S. and overseas employment practices.

CHRIS KWOK was born in China and raised in Queens. Seeking to combine his commitment to Civil Rights for Asian Americans and his legal training, he began his career by working as a mediator with the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Unit at the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) in New York. He is currently the ADR Coordinator for the Mediation Program at the U.S. EEOC New York office.

TIFFANY MA is a New York and Massachusetts licensed attorney specializing in the field of labor and employment law. She practices at Young & Ma LLP, which is an employment, corporate, civil and commercial litigation law firm focusing primarily on servicing employees in large financial institutions and companies and small businesses in or working with those in the New York metropolitan area.

BIN XIE is a Chinese human rights defender who has worked in grassroots NGOs for almost eight years. She is an executive director of Zhengzhou Younging, a disability rights advocacy organization. The organization's mission is to raise persons with disabilities' awareness and capacity to participate effectively in developing, implementing and monitoring laws and policies affecting them.

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Internships

Emigre Memorial German Internship Program

The Émigré Memorial German Internship Program—German State Parliaments (EMGIP) is a fellowship program that provides U.S. and Canadian students with internships at a German state parliament (Landtag).

Internships afford students an excellent opportunity to gain government work experience, improve their advanced German language skills, and learn about German culture firsthand.

This professional opportunity overseas is ideal for students planning on pursuing careers at a regional level of government in the United States or Canada, or who have an interest in a specific policy issue such as the environment, education, or healthcare.

EMGIP runs three times a year—fall, spring, and early summer—for one to three months, depending on elections, holiday schedules and state offices' preferences.

For more information, click here: <http://www.culturalvistas.org/programs-for-students-and-professionals/professional-fellowships/emgip>

Application Deadlines:

October 1, 2014 for Spring 2015
 December 1, 2014 for early Summer 2015
 March 31, 2015 for Fall 2015

Summer

The New School: UN Summer Study



UNITED NATIONS SUMMER STUDY

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June 1 - July 17, 2015

newschool.edu/united-nations-summer-study/

UNStudy@newschool.edu

DO YOU WANT TO TAKE A TOUR?

OR DO YOU WANT TO IMMERSE YOURSELF IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS?

You want to work for social justice at the global level, but most UN study programs take you sightseeing. The United Nations Summer Study (UNSS) program, offered by The New School's Graduate Program in International Affairs, puts graduate and undergraduate students on the ground in the United Nations and in New York City. Unlike other UN study programs, UNSS takes you beyond a narrow focus on security and diplomacy to investigate development, human rights, humanitarian action, peacebuilding, and environmental issues. UNSS course work prepares you to understand and engage with contemporary issues, policies, and debates in international affairs. UNSS internships and practicums, not found in any other UN summer program, enable you to gain hands-on experience in the UN system.

OPTION 1: CORE CURRICULUM

(3 graduate or 4 undergraduate credits)

- Class, "The United Nations and World Order".
- Colloquium with UN staff and officials from inter-governmental and non-governmental bodies.
- Site visits to UN headquarters and other international agencies.
- Social justice activities that connect global issues addressed at the UN to local issues in NYC.

OPTION 2: CORE + PRACTICE CURRICULUM

(6 graduate or 8 undergraduate credits)

- Core curriculum (described above).
- Internship/practicum with a UN agency, non-governmental organization, civil society group or research institute on international affairs.

Option 1: Core Curriculum = \$4,300

Option 2: Core + Practice Curriculum = \$8,600

Option 3: Non-credit Core Curriculum = \$2,300

Some scholarships are available for well-qualified applicants.

Application deadline: April 15, 2015



Speakers

Mass Media and Poverty

THURSDAY APRIL 9•5 PM•OLD MAIN BUILDING 1907 ROOM

(next to Studley Auditorium)

The Progressive Academic
Network, Office of the Provost,
Humanistic/Multicultural
Education Program and the
Departments of Digital Media and
Journalism, Economics,
Educational Studies, Political
Science and International
Relations

PRESENT **MASS
MEDIA AND
THE
POVERTY WE
CANNOT SEE**


A fascination with sensationalist news-like that of terrorism-
leads **NERMEEN SHAIKH** to ask us to consider the mass media's
role in producing and masking a wider social and moral poverty
just as evermore routinized violence and anti-democratic
politics demand our urgent attention.

NERMEEN SHAIKH is a scholar and journalist who co-hosts and co-
produces the award-winning daily independent newscast
Democracy Now! Currently serving on the editorial board of the
Rome-based journal *Development*, her 2007 collection *The Present
as History: Critical Perspectives on Global Power* (Columbia
University Press) featured interviews with, among others,
Gayatri Spivak, Joseph Stiglitz and Amartya Sen.



For more information contact:
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Conferences

Sex, Money, and Power


Sex, Money and Power
A Dialogue between Feminism and Economics

Rose W. Brewer
Professor, University of Minnesota

Julie A. Nelson
Professor, University of Massachusetts – Boston

April 17, 2015 • SUNY New Paltz
11:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. • The Terrace & LC102


For more information and registration
 visit www.newpaltz.edu/wmnstudies

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*This conference is organized in cooperation with
 the Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic Site*

*Please contact Concetta (Cookie) Chandler at 257-2975
 by April 1 if you will need sign language interpreters.*



Internship

Orange County Planning Department



Orange County, NY will have 2 paid internships available soon. Both will be based in Orange County and will be supervised by Department of Planning senior staff. A connection w SUNY-NP / CRREO would be great. Residency in Orange County, NY is required.

Both internships are paid. Summer internships both could be flexed to F/T or P/T and can start this spring or run later into the fall.

One is sponsored by the OC Municipal Planning Federation. The other internship is in the office of

David Church, Commissioner of Planning.

You'll need a resume and letter of interest ASAP sent to the address below, or via email or to Ellen Russell, Orange County Department of Planning, 124 Main Street, Goshen, NY 10924

David Church, AICP
 Commissioner of Planning
 Orange County, New York
 845 615-3840
 845 702-0050 (mobile)
www.orangecountygov.com/planning

Volunteering

Family of Woodstock



Learn about the many ways you can be a part of Family. Whether helping out at one of our walk-in centers in Ellenville, New Paltz or Woodstock, answering the Hotline, working with our Events Team or helping to landscape or paint one of the shelters, volunteers show that people care. Family can always use help at our fundraising events. Have fun and help out at the same time! That simple human connection is a powerful healer. FAMILY welcomes volunteers

all year round. You may know someone who volunteers with FAMILY already. Many of your neighbors staff our 24-hour Hotlines at FAMILY'S three Walk In Centers. Others garden, run food drives and provide professional services. They offer cooking and art classes and mentor our clients in their job searches. Volunteers give our services a very special quality. Volunteering at Family has tremendous benefits: It's a great way to get to know people in your community. It's a chance to learn new skills while making a difference. It's a way to contribute where you live. Ready to get started? Join us on Monday, April 6th at our administrative office at 39 John Street in Kingston from 3-4pm and become a part of Family.

Contact Beth or Kelly at 331-7080 or email volunteers@familyofwoodstockinc.org to register.

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

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