

# Political Science and International Relations



## IMPORTANT DATES:

### EVERY WEDNESDAY POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION

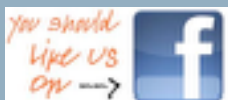
Meet your colleagues. Discuss politics. SUB 408. 7:00pm.

**3/28**  
**FALL REGISTRATION  
INFORMATION SESSION**  
4:00, JFT 1010. Come hear about what's going on next fall.

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

**4/4**  
**SAMPSON OPPEDISANO  
ON LIFE AFTER  
GRADUATION**  
5:00-6:00, JFT 1010. See p. 8 for details.

**4/6**  
**TALKS: DYLAN HAYDEN  
ON THE LIBERAL ARTS**  
3:30, LC 104, see p. 7 for details.



Department

## Registration Items

Registration for the Fall 2017 semester is just around the corner. If you haven't looked at the course offerings, take some time over Spring Break to plan out your year (PSIR Spring 2018 offerings were listed in the 28 February issue of this newsletter). Also plan on attending our March 28 Registration Information Session in JFT 1010 at 4:00. Faculty members from the department will be there to talk requirements and courses for the upcoming year.

Here are some things to keep in mind when planning your schedule:

- **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](mailto:millerj@newpaltz.edu).
- **POL 404 Senior Seminar** (Pampinella). Please sign up for this course by emailing Professor Miller: [millerj@newpaltz.edu](mailto:millerj@newpaltz.edu).
- **Constitutional Law Requirement for Law Concentration:** 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

Publishing

## International Affairs Forum: Essay Competition

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The Center for International Relations of the International Affairs Forum announces its Spring 2017 Student Writing Competition where winners are eligible for publication in the upcoming issue of *International Affairs Forum*, a biannual publication on international affairs and economics.

For Spring 2017, submissions will be accepted for the following topics:

- Populism in the Digital Age
- Cybersecurity

All submissions should be between 2,500-3,000 words, excluding footnotes, and must be submitted to [editor@ia-forum.org](mailto:editor@ia-forum.org) before **midnight EST on April 3, 2017**. Additional guidelines and sample submissions are available on their website: <http://www.ia-forum.org/StudentAwards/>

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Scholarships

### Lavallee Student Travel Fund

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The Office of Academic Affairs is pleased to announce that funding is now available to support travel by undergraduate and graduate students to present, exhibit, or perform their accepted scholarly or creative work at regional and national conferences. These funds are available through the David Lavallee Student Travel Fund, named in honor of David Lavallee, Provost of SUNY New Paltz from 1999-2009.

The link to apply may be found by logging into [www.my.newpaltz.edu](http://www.my.newpaltz.edu) and clicking on the Scholarships Online link. Start with the General Application and then apply for the David Lavallee Student Travel Fund Opportunity. The deadline to apply is **May 1, 2017**.

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Scholarships

### Brownstein Travel Scholarship

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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>

**Deadline: 1 May 2017**

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Activism

## Women's March New Paltz

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A letter from the Steering Committee of the Women's March New Paltz:

"We are a group of local citizens formed out of the Women's March on Washington's 10 Actions in 100 Days Huddle action. We have had two meetings to date, and are actively, inclusively, and communally working to establish our organizational structure and mission statement. Anyone who would like to attend meetings should contact us at [rachelrlabare@gmail.com](mailto:rachelrlabare@gmail.com) or our Facebook group, Women's March NY New Paltz. All are welcome.

We have identified several potential gaps in actions in our immediate area, and feel we are in a position to organize and implement a structure to address these gaps. These areas include carpool coordination for events and lectures, New Paltz protests, streamlined publication of actions and group events, and inclusive teaching/training opportunities. Specifically, our group is interested in helping to set up local political training sessions, including review of Robert's Rules of Order and other rules and regulations of the Ulster County Legislature, so local citizens can actively engage with their elected representatives.

We are actively reaching out to already established local groups and actions to offer support and ensure we are not duplicating actions. We would also like to reach out to the SUNY New Paltz community, as well as the local high schools.

The Steering Committee of Women's March New Paltz"

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Jobs

## Center for Reproductive Rights

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MARTINA NADEAU ('15) sends word of several positions opening up at her office, the Center for Reproductive Rights, down in NYC. Click the links for full information:

### [Program Associate, Judicial Strategy](#)

A strong contributor who supports department processes and serves as an administrative bedrock for the team and liaison with operations protocols.

### [Communications Associate](#)

Expert department facilitator who keeps the engines running in our fast-paced and results-oriented Communications team by overseeing administrative processes.

### [Administrative Assistant](#)

A new position for someone highly organized and with superior attention to detail to support the initiatives of the Office of the President.

### [Human Rights Assistant](#)

A new position for an individual with strong research skills committed to learning more about human rights law in the United States.

### [Development Summer Intern - Paid](#)

## Mohonk Consultations Public Forum

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### **Working Across Difference: Meeting Refugees in Crisis**

Sunday, April 9, 2017, 3pm-6pm, Mohonk Mountain House, New Paltz, New York

Featuring:

- İlğü Özler, Director of SUNY's Global Engagement Program in NYC, and President of the UN Association Mid-Hudson Valley, will discuss crisis points in the world and regionally where difference is fueling conflict and producing a refugee crisis, and where peacebuilding skills are needed to address difference.
- Giovanni Ciarlo, Academic Director & E-learning Coordinator of Gaia Education, will speak about solutions to accept and assist refugees.
- Tara Stuart, world traveler, educator, story teller extraordinaire, and member of the Board of Directors, Kosmos Associates, will share a story of working across differences.

Another feature of the forum will be engagement in World Café roundtables, introduced by Dot Maver, a co-founding director of the National Peace Academy. The session will provide attendees with an opportunity to network and consider initiatives that can overcome difference and create solutions for refugees in crisis.

For more information and to register, click here: <http://mohonk-consultations.org/working-across-difference/>

# **NYAAPOR Young Scholars Evening**

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**New York Chapter of the American Association for Public Opinion  
Research and Fordham University Present ...**

## **The 3rd Annual NYAAPOR Young Scholars Evening Spring 2017**

**CALLING ALL STUDENTS AND YOUNG PROFESSIONALS!**

**\*\*Call for Poster Abstracts\*\***

NYAAPOR is holding its third annual young scholars event featuring an evening of poster displays of exemplary work in public opinion and survey research by young scholars in the NYC-metro area. [Undergraduate and graduate students, as well as those who have completed their bachelor's degree in the last five years, are encouraged to apply.](#) The presentation topic must involve original research related to public opinion, polling, surveys, survey methodology, or other related fields.

Research will be presented in a poster format that presents visualization of original research through text and graphics. Presenters should be prepared for active interaction and discussion about their research with judges and participants.

**[A 250-word abstract is required for submission by March 20, 2017.](#)**  
**[Applicants will be notified by April 3 regarding acceptance.](#)**

**Event Details:**

**Wednesday, April 26, 2017**

**Fordham University (Lincoln Center Campus)**

**[Please include the following along with your abstract:](#)**

**School \* Major/Program \* Title of paper \* Email address \* Phone number**

Please send abstracts and contact information to

**[youngscholars@nyaapor.org](mailto:youngscholars@nyaapor.org)**

Subject Line: "NYAAPOR Young Scholar Submission"

**WINNING POSTER:**

**\$300 MITOFSKY YOUNG SCHOLAR RESEARCH AWARD!!**

The evening will provide an invaluable opportunity for both students and professionals, as participants share their research and have the chance to extensively interact with members of New York's survey research community.

***For more information about NYAAPOR visit [www.NYAAPOR.org](http://www.NYAAPOR.org)  
Like and follow us on Facebook, Twitter (@NYAAPOR), and Linked In!***

## Center for Reproductive Rights

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The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) is the premier global legal organization dedicated to advancing women's reproductive health, self-determination, and dignity. Its mission is straightforward and ambitious: to advance reproductive health and rights as fundamental human rights that all governments around the world are legally obligated to protect, respect, and fulfill. Headquartered in New York City, the Center has regional offices in Bogota, Geneva, Kathmandu, Nairobi, and Washington, DC and a staff of more than 130 diverse professionals. Its annual operating budget is approximately \$23 million, the result of an extraordinary growth trajectory; the Center is now poised for a new phase of significant expansion through its next Strategic Plan.

To learn more about the Center for Reproductive Rights, go to [www.reproductiverights.org](http://www.reproductiverights.org).

**Internship Summary:** The Office of the President (OOP) at the Center for Reproductive Rights is looking for an enthusiastic, resourceful, and highly organized participant in our summer program to support the department, including the President & CEO and Chief of Staff. This position will provide the candidate with experience in the day-to-day functions within the executive office of a global nonprofit, including office administration, data management, research, and meeting preparation.

The summer program is full-time from June 5, 2017 through August 11, 2017 and is based in New York, NY. The position will be paid on an hourly basis.

### Qualifications:

- Current student enrolled in a bachelor's degree program or a recent graduate;
- Strong commitment to the Center's mission, purpose, and values;
- Interest in nonprofit management, administration, and/or coalition-building;
- High level of discretion in handling confidential matters and materials;
- Exceptional interpersonal, organizational, written, and verbal presentation skills;
- Ability to work independently, collaboratively, and inter-departmentally under deadlines;
- Previous work experience in an office environment;
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office programs; and
- Sense of humor.

**How to Apply:** Please click on the link below to apply. A cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references must be included in your application in order to be considered for this position. Please include these application materials as attachments.

<https://reproductiverights.applicantpro.com/jobs/540885-30518.html>

**Deadline for applications:** Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Talks

## Dylan Hayden, '03 on Public Service and the Liberal Arts

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### Dylan J. Hayden, '03 Housing and Urban Development

Thursday, April 6, 3:30pm

## Public Service and a Liberal Arts Education



New Paltz alumnus Dylan Hayden works in the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as a Program Analyst in the Baltimore Office of Public & Indian Housing. Hayden monitors performance and conduct risk assessment for public housing authorities throughout the Mid-Atlantic Region.

Before joining HUD, Hayden served in the U.S. Navy as an Arabic and Pashtu-Afghan linguist and translator doing work for the National Security Agency. After Fels, he completed a two-year appointment with Governor Cuomo's office in Albany as an Empire State Fellow.

In addition to his SUNY New Paltz B.A. (Political Science), Dylan holds an M.A. from the Fels Institute of Government at the University of Pennsylvania, and an Associate's Degree in Arabic from the Defense Language Institute.

Hayden will discuss the importance of a liberal arts education to his experience in working in government at both the state and national levels, as well as his work at HUD and in the U.S. Navy.

**4/6/17      3:30pm      LC 104      SUNY New Paltz**

Sponsored by: The Department of Political Science and International Relations.

Talks

## Post-graduate life

# Thinking About Life After Graduation?



**Sampson Oppedisano** (Class of 2015) is a native of Westchester, NY, and he holds a degree in both International Relations and Asian Studies. Sampson's knowledge in both fields is diverse, ranging from general global affairs, to more specific topics such as Asian politics and culture, to the roles NGOs and international institutions in the global arena.

Currently, Sampson is the Executive Assistant to the Dean of the International Affairs graduate school at the New School in NYC. He previously served as the Legislative Coordinator to New York State Assemblywoman Sandy Galef (95th District) where he developed new policy ideas, prepared amendments for bills, and generated support in both the Houses. Through this entire process Sampson worked closely with members and staff in both the Assembly and Senate.

**The Asian Studies Program and the Department of Political Science and International Relations invite you to meet recent graduate Sampson Oppedisano, who will discuss his career trajectory, offer tips to graduating seniors, and talk about how he leveraged his majors into prominent positions.**

**We'll meet on Tuesday, April 4th at 5:00 in JFT 1010. Light refreshments will be served.**



Department

**Where to find people.**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Hours</b>
	<b>Benjamin, Gerald</b>	<a href="mailto:benjamig@newpaltz.edu">benjamig@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>HAB 704</b>	<b>By appointment</b>
	<b>Dowley, Kathleen</b>	<a href="mailto:dowleyk@newpaltz.edu">dowleyk@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 920 Southside</b>	<b>W 1:00-3:00 M 1:00-3:00</b>
	<b>Kassop, Nancy</b>	<a href="mailto:kassopn@newpaltz.edu">kassopn@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 812</b>	<b>T 10:00-12:00 W 12:00-2:00</b>
	<b>Lefkowitz, Joel</b>	<a href="mailto:lefkowij@newpaltz.edu">lefkowij@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 400</b>	<b>W 2:00-5:00 TF 5:30-6:00</b>
	<b>Lipson, Daniel</b>	<a href="mailto:lipsond@newpaltz.edu">lipsond@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 810</b>	<b>M 1:00-3:00 R 10:00-12:00</b>
	<b>Mauceri, Phillip</b>	<a href="mailto:mauceriip@newpaltz.edu">mauceriip@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 320</b>	<b>M 3:30-4:30 R 10:00-12:00</b>
	<b>Miller, Jeff</b>	<a href="mailto:millerj@newpaltz.edu">millerj@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 816</b>	<b>MR 10:00-12:00</b>
	<b>Minkoff, Scott</b>	<a href="mailto:minkoffs@newpaltz.edu">minkoffs@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 1008</b>	<b>W 9:30-12:00 R 1:30-3:00</b>
	<b>Ozler, Ilgu</b>	<a href="mailto:ozleri@newpaltz.edu">ozleri@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 912</b>	<b>W 10:00-11:00 W 12:00-3:00</b>
	<b>Pampinella, Stephen</b>	<a href="mailto:pampines@newpaltz.edu">pampines@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 1000</b>	<b>T 1:00-3:00 W 10:00-11:00 W 12:45-1:45</b>
	<b>Schwartz, Jonathan</b>	<a href="mailto:schwartj@newpaltz.edu">schwartzj@newpaltz.edu</a>	<b>JFT 1016</b>	<b>T 10:00-12:00 W 12:00-1:00 F 11:00-12:00</b>