

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT NEW PALTZ

Political Science and International Relations



Spring 2020 Semester

Happy New Year and Welcome to our 10 new Transfer Students!

Please take note of important dates and academic deadlines of the coming months on the left. Please note that the deadline for May 2020 graduation was January 1, but they will accept through Feb 1. **Apply ONLINE.**

Professor Kassop is on leave this semester, and her advisees should come to see me with pressing issues and concerns. **Professor Mauceri** is also on leave this year, and his advisees have been reassigned. If you are a Mauceri advisee and have not been notified of your new advisor, please contact me.

This spring looks to be another unprecedented one for American politics, given the impeachment proceedings, the still crowded Democratic primary race, and the escalation of international tensions in the Middle East. Stay tuned for departmental programming, as well as announcements from the PSIR club about the annual Spring Break Washington DC trip to meet and network with PSIR alum in DC.

If you have any questions about the PSIR Department, please feel free to come by and chat. Department Office: (845) 257 -3540, JFT 816. My spring office hours are Tuesdays 11-1 and Fridays 10-noon.

Kathleen Dowley, Associate Professor and Chair, PSIR

IMPORTANT DATES:

January 1, 2020

Applications for May Graduation Due in Registrar's Office, Online Application

Jan 21-27

Add/Drop Period

Jan 28-Feb 3

Late Registration/Course Drop Adds require Permission of Instructor, Fees apply

January 27

Martin Luther King Day Classes are in Session

Feb 4-March 30

Course Withdrawal Period Students will receive a W, and there is a \$20 fee

March 1

Summer Study Abroad Deadline

March 3

SUPER TUESDAY PRIMARIES!

Primaries held in Maine, Mass, California, Alabama, North Carolina, Arkansas, Texas, Tennessee, Colorado, Minnesota, Vermont, Virginia, Utah, Oklahoma and American Samoa

March 12

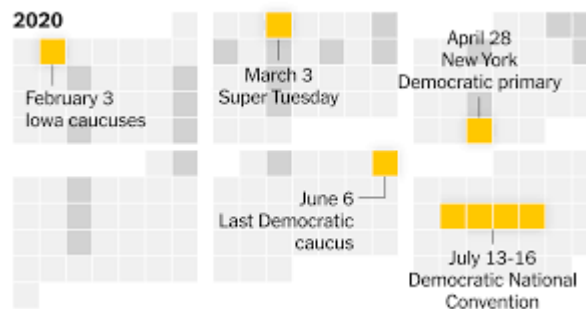
Annual Gary King Lecture

"Gaining Voice: Black Seat Share and Policy Representation in States"

By Christopher J Clark (UNC)

SUB MPR, 6-7:30

Reminder! New York Democratic Primary is April 28



BUT, in order to vote in it, you must be a registered Democrat by **February 14**. New York is a closed primary state so independents and 3rd party voters are not permitted to vote in them. The same holds true for June 23 Republican primaries. To add or change your party enrollment by Feb 14, follow the link below

<https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>

LAUNCH OF NEW JOINT BA/MIA with ROCKEFELLER COLLEGE



The Department of PSIR at New Paltz is excited to announce a new partnership with the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs at the University at Albany (SUNY), offering a combined BA/MIA to second semester juniors and first semester senior majors. The Master of International Affairs is a program designed to educate students for international careers in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

Students can focus on Diplomacy, Global Governance, Global Public Management, International Development and/or Homeland Security.

For students interested in pursuing the combined program, **it will allow them to take up to 12 graduate credits at UAlbany that will count toward both their bachelor's degree at New Paltz and their MIA at Rockefeller.** By doing so, students will accelerate their master's degree by one semester and receive the benefit of paying undergraduate tuition for graduate coursework. This program is open to any major and is ideal for students who want to make a positive impact on the world and be an agent for progress across the globe.

Please Contact Jaclyn Napoleon, Director of Graduate Recruitment & Admissions at rockadmissions@albany.edu with any questions. Jaclyn will be visiting New Paltz next month to host an information session and visit some IR classes. Please stay tuned for the dates (TBA).

3rd Annual Gary King Lecture, Thursday, March 12

The annual **Gary King Lecture in Applied Social Science** will be delivered this year by **Associate Professor Christopher Clark** of the Department of Political Science at the UNC Chapel Hill. Dr. Clark earned his B.A. from Saint Louis University (2005) and his M.A. (2006) and PhD. (2010) from the University of Iowa. His research interests include race and electoral representation in the United States and state politics and policy. Most of his research focuses on black electoral representation, and he is especially interested in the creation and influence of black political organizations such as state legislative black caucuses. His recent book on the growth in importance of African American membership and leadership in American State legislatures, *Gaining Voice: The Causes and Consequences of Black Representation in the American State* (Oxford University Press, 2019), is the leading work in the field. Dr. Clark will speak on "Gaining Voice: Black Seat Share and Policy Representation in States." The Lecture will be held in the **SUB Multipurpose Room, with light refreshments at 5:30.**



The annual Gary King visiting Lecture in Applied Social Research is underwritten by New Paltz alumni **Gary King '80 (Political Science)**, the Albert J. Weatherhead III University Professor at Harvard University.

National Council Summer Internship Program

The National Council Fellowships: Washington, DC Summer Internship Program



The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations' **Washington, DC Summer Internship Program** offers undergraduate and graduate students a ten-week professional, academic, and career opportunity internship in the Nation's Capital. The program features an energizing and demanding mix of professional involvement, intellectual challenge, career exploration, and cultural encounter designed to provide interns with a rich and varied experience during their time in Washington.

- **Professional work experience:** Interns are placed with one of over a dozen Near East and Arab world related organizations in Washington, D.C., where they are expected to work 35-40 hours/week under the direct supervision of their host organizations.
- **Academic seminars:** Interns take part in twice weekly seminar sessions designed to provide them with greater depth of knowledge about the Arab world, to underscore the cultural, economic, and political diversity of Arab states, and to explore the intricacies of Arab-U.S. relations.
- **Site visits:** Interns are offered a behind-the-scenes look at many of the central institutions of federal government, national security policymaking, international diplomacy, and international business.

Sponsorship: The program is administered by National Council professionals and staff, together with more than two dozen of America's foremost scholars and leading foreign affairs practitioners. The programs, activities, and functions represented by the organizations and corporations that provide the professional work experience component of the program are varied. Included among placements in recent years have been educational development and exchange organizations, bimonthly and quarterly publications, humanitarian relief groups, broadcasting networks, area studies centers, international transportation companies, foreign trade associations, peace and justice advocacy groups, and a variety of non-governmental organizations.

Program Dates: May 26 – July 30, 2020.

Application Deadline: All materials must be postmarked by **Friday, February 21, 2020**.

Cost & Fellowship Stipend: A \$25 non-refundable program fee must be submitted with the application. Internships are unpaid. Internship program participants, upon successful fulfillment of the program's academic and internship requirements, receive a **\$1,000 fellowship stipend**.

For more information, and online application, visit the website:

<https://ncusar.org/internship>

Student Conference at Marist: JANUARY 31 paper proposal deadline!



You are invited to join the 7th annual Student World Affairs Conference (SWAC) at Marist College - submit a paper and mark your calendars for **Friday, February 28!**

SWAC is an annual undergraduate student research conference. It provides the opportunity for students to present on their research broadly related to world affairs, and to interact with students from other colleges and universities in the region and beyond.

Proposal Submission

Please submit an abstract of no more than 300 words via the following link (or by clicking on the QR Code below):

<http://mari.st/swac2020abstract>



The deadline for proposal submissions is January 31, 2020. Paper acceptances will be announced no later than February 5. Upon acceptance, final papers must be submitted to the discussant by February 19. Please note that while there are no page limits, papers are expected to be at least 5 pages long. Students should expect to present their papers on a panel for 10-12 minutes, followed by discussant comments and Q & A.

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM NEWS:

The SUNY Global Engagement Program (GEP) held its seventh graduation in NYC at the Global Center on December 11, and the event was attended by the 19 new graduates of the program, the internship supervisors, alumni, friends and parents. Professor İlğü Ölzer presented certificates alongside Beth Vargas, Executive Director of the Center for International Programs.



An exception was made for GEP Graduate **Jeremy Luna** (Dec '19: left photo), who received his certificate from now retired SUNY NP Dean **Bruce Sillner**. As Dean of International Programs, Sillner oversaw Jeremy's prior study abroad placement in Japan and his successful application to the **Charles B. Rangel Graduate Fellowship Program**. Congratulations to Jeremy on his fellowship, and to all of our GEP and December 2019 graduates!

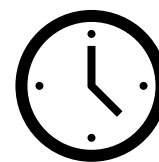
On December 12, GEP students and alum attended the fourth annual Foreign Policy Association-GEP lecture at the Global Center, this year given by Hen-Jan Brinkman, Chief of the Peacebuilding Strategy and Support Office of the UN Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs. Left to right in the photo below are NP student **Lena Gran**, NP alum **Masooma Rahmaty**,

NP student **Viktoriya Mazaur**, Mount St Vincent student **Lizzy de Leon**, Henk-Jan Brinkman, NP students **Mohamed Alharbi** and **Jairo Perez**, NP alum **Cole Kitchen**, NP student **Kiana Graham**, and **Professor Özler**.



Apply NOW through March 31 for GEP Fall 2020!
Contact Professor Özler at ozleri@newpaltz.edu.

Where to find us



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