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## From Ryan Balot, Acting Chair



The current newsletter provides us with a superb opportunity to recognize the dynamism, energy, and commitment of the Department, which is flourishing to an unprecedented extent. The scale of the department's ambition is often breathtaking. We strive to advance knowledge in the field of political science, to sharpen the critical faculties of undergraduates, to train graduate students to do professional work in the discipline, and to enhance the political awareness of the larger university and a wider public.

As you will discover in this issue, members of the department have been unusually active already this year. This fall's *Keith Davey Forum on Public Affairs* engaged the urgent political, strategic, and ethical problems created by the increasing prevalence of drone warfare. Professor Emeritus **Michael Donnelly** continues to enrich the educational experience of our students by teaching a small undergraduate seminar. And, as you will see, Mi-

chael has recently been honoured with an endowed graduate fellowship in his name – one of two generous gifts from his former student **Noah Blackstein**. Our current students, such as **Izabela Steflja** and **Shakir Rahim**, are engaged in exciting projects that will promote an understanding of social and transitional justice both at home and abroad. As we continue to enrich our faculty by recruiting excellent younger scholars, such as **Wilson Prichard**, we also take pride in the careers of the large number of our graduate alumni, who have undertaken important leadership roles in other institutions.

Becoming the acting chair this year has been both a challenge and a wonderful opportunity. I have had the good fortune to be mentored by both **David Cameron** and **Louis Pauly**, but following in their footsteps is not an easy task. Throughout the fall, I have benefited from the help and wisdom of my colleagues, our staff, and our students. I want to thank them all for helping to create a welcoming and supportive environment. I wish you all the best as we enter the holiday season.

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## Richard Simeon

[March 2, 1943 - October 11, 2013]

**Richard Simeon**, one of Canada's preeminent political scientists, has died at the age of 70. A highly prolific and internationally recognized scholar, Richard was also an unfailingly supportive colleague, an inspiring teacher and mentor, and friend to all who knew him.

Although his interests were broad-ranging—indeed, there was very little that he did not find interesting—Rich-



ard is best known for his contribution to Canadian and comparative federalism. His study of federalism and decentralized governance spanned his life, beginning with his undergraduate training at the University of British Columbia and his graduate studies at Yale University where he earned his PhD in 1968. His prize-winning PhD thesis at Yale, published as *Federal-Provincial Diplomacy* in 1972, was described by the prize jury

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## Alumnus: Noah Blackstein

A financial expert, **Noah Blackstein** manages one of North America's most successful mutual funds. Focusing on companies with a market capitalization value of more than \$10 billion, Noah travels the globe and has contact with leaders and shakers in the world of politics and finance. For Noah, markets and politics cannot be separated; understanding one requires understanding the other. It is impossible, Noah feels, to debate issues like Canada's recent free trade agreement with the European Union without appreciating both the economic and political dimensions. Noah is keen on competing perspectives stating, "It is not that one is right and the other wrong."

Noah believes his undergraduate experience at the U of T prepared him for what he does. With one foot in the political science department and the other in the economics department, Noah represents the best in the cross-disciplinary political economy tradition for which the University is known. And he seeks to strengthen it; he has made a generous gift enabling the department to create two new graduate fellowships. In his words, "Teachers motivate, something Google can't do."

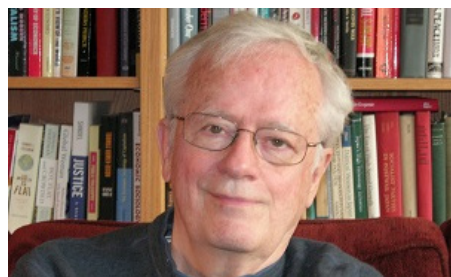
Noah was encouraged and mentored by among others, **Louis Pauly**, Samuel Hollander, **Jean Edward Smith**, **James**



**Barros, Alkis Kontos** ("even though he was something of a socialist"), and especially **Michael Donnelly**.

Michael supervised a fourth-year Independent Study course in which Noah studied the political economy of Japan. It represented a turning point in his intellectual development. "Professors," says Noah, "inspire prime ministers."

## Emeritus Corner: Michael Donnelly



Born into a working-class family and educated in Catholic schools in Buffalo NY, **Michael Donnelly** went on to work his way through college at Columbia University. There he revelled in the glories and wonders of its rich undergraduate curriculum. Among many other subjects including music, art appreciation, zoology, mathematics, and French, he was introduced to the Japanese language. Then, while doing field research for his doctoral thesis, he was a visiting fellow at one of Tokyo's major research institutes for four years. The U of T was fortunate in luring Michael to Toronto, where he has made an extraordinary contribution to the field of Japanese and more broadly Asian studies. His interest in the region was piqued during his service in the Pacific in the United States Navy. The first holder of the endowed *Dr. David Chu Professorship in Asia-Pacific Studies*, Michael has been a visiting professor and

researcher at six Japanese universities.

The Faculty of Arts and Science recognized Michael's excellence in the classroom with an Outstanding Teaching Award. In addition, he has been an administrative as well as academic leader. He has served as an Associate Dean in the Faculty of Arts and Science, represented the interests of his colleagues as the Secretary and Vice-President of the U of T Faculty Association, and helped in negotiating academic salaries and benefits. In "retirement," Michael continues to serve and to learn. To recapture the mind-expanding experiences of his undergraduate years, he has audited courses in law and philosophy, some of the courses of his political science colleagues, and has taken Internet-based courses. A long-term resident of Toronto, New York and Tokyo, Michael's research now explores the nature of city-life in advanced capitalist countries and he is currently teaching a first-year seminar, *'Capitalism and the City'*. Lynne, Michael's wife, a Japanese Canadian writer who completed her degree at the U of T, served as the librarian for the university's East Asia collection before her own retirement. They have a daughter who serves as a Crown Attorney in British Columbia, as well as a granddaughter.

## Undergraduate Student: Shakir Rahim

Born and raised in Vancouver BC, **Shakir Rahim** came to the U of T as an extraordinarily talented wordsmith; he had a record-breaking competitive public speaking and debate career as a high school student: he won the BC Provincial Debate Championships five years consecutively, and the World Individual Public Speaking and Debate Championships twice. Now a fourth-year undergraduate and a holder of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, Shakir came to study in the department because it "was at the centre of the discussion" of international relations and constitutional development. He was attracted to the first year seminars offered by Trinity College and the department's 199 seminar taught in his freshman year by **Victor Falkenheim**. Other professors who challenged and motivated him, he says, were Irvin Studin, **Antoinette Handley**, **Clifford Orwin**, Michael Bryant, and visiting ambassador David Wright who connected theory with applied knowledge.

Shakir has contributed to the university community in many capacities, including as Vice-President of

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## A Tribute To Richard Simeon

By David Cameron and Grace Skogstad

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as 'a classic whose influence stretches far beyond Canada's borders.' A steady stream of publications on federalism and other matters—some 20 books, 100 articles and book chapters—followed to frame both academic debate and public policy discussion.

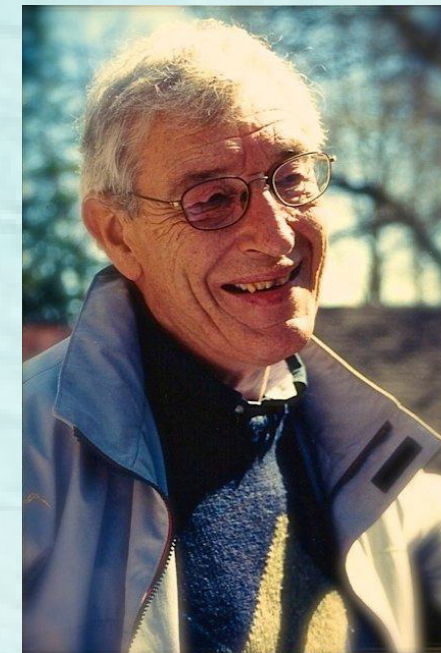
Following the election of the Parti Quebecois in 1976, Richard was deeply engaged with the federal and constitutional crisis that unfolded. During this time, he taught Political Studies at Queen's University (1968-1991) and directed its Institute of Intergovernmental Relations (1976-1983), before joining the University of Toronto in 1991 as a Professor of Political Science and Law. His academic preoccupation with the national unity debate was combined with service on the Ontario Advisory Committee on Confederation and his role as an occasional adviser on constitutional matters to Ontario premiers Davis, Peterson, and Rae.

Richard's academic and public policy contribution extended well beyond Canada's national unity and constitutional debates. He served as a research coordinator for the Royal Commission on the Economic Union and Development Prospects for Canada (1983-85), for which he produced four published volumes. From 1985 to 1991, he was the Director of the School of Public Administration at Queen's: a position that had the fortuitous outcome of bringing him into contact with Mary-etta Cheney who later became his wife. The first non-lawyer appointed to the Ontario Law Reform Commission, Richard served as its vice-chair from 1989 to 1995.

His expertise was also sought out internationally. He advised the newly elected democratic government of post-apartheid South Africa on public administration. Under the auspices of the Forum of Federations, Richard went to Jordan, Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya to discuss the potential of federalist ideas. He also served as an aca-

demic adviser to the Club of Madrid on questions of regional integration in Spain and Scotland.

His contribution earned him awards and recognition. Harvard University invited him to serve as its Mackenzie King Fellow, in 1998 and again from 2006 to 2008. His colleagues elected him to be a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 2004. And in 2010, he was awarded



the Daniel J. Elazar Award by the American Political Science Association for 'a lifetime of distinguished scholarship on federalism and intergovernmental relations.'

Notwithstanding his retirement in 2010, Richard remained intellectually engaged to the end of his life. He leaves a formidable legacy: one of scholarship and of an intellectual spirit that recognizes the need to be committed without being ideological, and the need to build bridges across divisions. His colleagues, his friends, and his family—whom he always described as 'at the heart of it all'—lament his passing.

A memorial event was held in the Campbell Conference Facility at the Munk School of Global Affairs on Saturday, December 7, 2013 to celebrate the life of

Richard. Those that spoke at the event along with family members included former PhD students who had Richard as their thesis supervisor - Professors Martin Papillon, Julie Simmons, Luc Turgeon and Jennifer Wallner. Stevie Cameron, journalist and classmate at UBC spoke of the early days in Vancouver. Also there were Professor Keith Banting (Queen's University), Professor Ian Robinson (University of Michigan), Professor John McCamus (York University), Professor Christina Murray (University of Cape Town), Bruce Berman (Director and Principal Investigator Emeritus of the "Ethics and Democratic Governance Project", and Interim Dean and Professor of Political Science David Cameron. As Professor Christina Murray pointed out, "He always tied arguments about how institutions work to larger principles – deepening democracy, developing strong government institutions, respect for all persons."

Professor Keith Banting remembered Simeon as a bridge-builder: "He could always see in any situation very different perspectives, and he was constantly trying to build bridges across those different perspectives. So the bridge-builder thing was important intellectually as well as politically."

Interim Dean David Cameron recalled Simeon's generosity as a professor: "It made him a very appealing, receptive, open person for all kinds of people and their views."

**Donations in memory of Professor Simeon will support future students in the Department of Political Science. They may be directed to the 'University of Toronto' and sent to: The Richard Simeon Memorial Fund, c/o Office of the Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Toronto, 100 St. George Street, Toronto, ON Canada M5S 3G3. Tax receipts will be issued.**



# Canada’s Leading Pollster: Lorne Bozinoff



The U of T has 525,000 alumni in 180 countries, but **Lorne Bozinoff** has something none of the others have: eight degrees and all from the U of T. Lorne’s academic trajectory has been nothing less than unusual. His first de-

gree, a BComm, was from the old department of political economy. In addition Lorne graduated with an MBA, an MA (Psychology), an PhD (his topic: consumer psychology), an MSc (Statistics), an MEd, and an MIRHR (Master of Industrial Relations and Human Resources). Wow! Some of his professors in our department whom he fondly recalls include **Jack McLeod, Mel Watkins, David Rayside, Al Johnson, Donald Forbes, and Joseph Fletcher.** Lorne has been on both sides of the lectern having taught marketing courses at St. George, UTSc, and Penn State University. Lorne’s firm, Forum Research Inc., is

one of Canada’s most prominent survey companies and its call centre, a stone’s throw from the St. George campus, is one of the largest in the country. Lorne’s entrée into the world of political polling was circuitous and accidental. Lorne worked as a management consultant at Bell when it lost its monopoly, at Coopers and Lybrand as head of survey research, and he was engaged in commercial market research at Gallup. During Canada’s free trade election of 1988, Lorne became responsible for generating and delivering Gallup’s political surveys to the media. They have called on him ever since.

## Political Science Alumni Association

By Anthony Fernando

After two years of helping to lead the Political Science Alumni Association (PSAA), I have decided to step down to focus on my upcoming municipal campaign. This means that we are now in an exciting time of transition with a new group of graduates joining the PSAA leadership team. Our current focus is to refine our constitution which will underpin the new leadership structure. We are also in the early stages of planning exciting events for the new year which will feature some influential speakers. I am proud of the fun and engaging events organized by the PSAA team over the last two years which kept our community involved and connected. These events included our ‘meet the rookie city council-

lors’ reception, provincial election panel, US election party, bowling tournament, ping-pong party, and board games night. Our graduates continue to face tremendous challenges in their transition from the U of T to the job market. We responded to this need by ‘piloting’ a unique career-focused alumni mentorship program. The feedback from distinguished alumni mentors and recent graduates was positive, and we hope that the resources will be available to support this program in the future. Our recent expert career panels (Public Service, and Communications and Journalism) also responded to the need for career mentorship. These panels were attended by more than 100 students and graduates and were organized in partnership with the U of T’s Career Centre.

An amazing team continues to guide the PSAA. I would like to thank **Elizabeth Jagdeo, David Rayside, Anthony Careless, Katherine Valiquette, Kerry Wicks, and Jayme Turney** for their outstanding contributions and support. I would also like to acknowledge the vital support from **Louis Pauly** and **David Cameron**. If you are interested in joining the PSAA leadership team, I encourage you to contact Anthony Careless at [a.careless@utoronto.ca](mailto:a.careless@utoronto.ca).

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both the Association of Political Science Students and the International Relations Society, and as a member of the Academic Board of the Governing Council. Under sponsorship of the



Leacock Foundation, Shakir organized a public speaking and debate program at a South African school. Struck by parallels between Canada and South Africa’s constitutional documents and stimulated by young South Africans who are active in social movements and using the legal system to advance social justice issues, Shakir has decided to pursue a degree in constitutional and public interest law at the University of Cape Town.

# Senior Undergraduate Mentorship Continues to Grow

By Michael Donnelly

The Department’s Senior Undergraduate Mentorship Program marked its second year of incremental growth at a luncheon held at Hart House in early November. The Program connects upper-year Political Science majors and specialists with alumni who have achieved notable success in a wide variety of careers. This year, fourteen students were matched with alumni mentors.

A mentor can help students recognize and define their own interests, inspire them to do their best work, and suggest how their academic accomplishments and personal aspirations can be seen as important and compelling by others. As **David Carter-Whitney** remarked, “The world outside of university is often quite different from what students have experienced inside the classrooms of U of T. To be able to assist these students with the transition from school work to career work



Michael Donnelly (L) with some mentees at the luncheon

is both extremely beneficial for the students and rewarding for myself.” Mentors participating this year are: **Heather Bastedo, David Carter-Whitney, Frank Cesario, Peter Chang, Barbara Dick, Neil Freeman, Adam Halim, Joshua Hjartarson, Rob McLean, Alex Shprintsen, Lawrence Surtees, Danielle Takacs, Marcy Vigoda, and Justine Yu.**

This year’s mentees are: **Emily Bayrachny, John Debono, Nyiri DuCharme, Christine Farquharson, Maneesha Gupta, Ksenia Kokareva, Yasmine Laasraoui, Maria Montemayor, Daisy Qin, Shirin Shahidi, Petra Simmons, Inayat Singh, and Frank Weng.**

The Department plans to expand the Program and would be extremely pleased to hear from alumni who would like to participate in an exciting new way to link students, alumni, and the Department. If you are interested in participating please contact [polsci.alum@utoronto.ca](mailto:polsci.alum@utoronto.ca).

## Keith Davey Forum on Public Affairs – Drone Warfare: Justice, Strategy, Technology



(L to R) Janice Stein, Neta Crawford, Avery Plaw

By Matteo Pirri  
On Wednesday, October 2, in front of a packed house at Victoria University’s Isabel Bader Theatre, the 2013 Keith Davey Forum on Public Affairs grappled with several of the most complex questions in modern conflict: How is drone technology changing the course of warfare in the 21st century? Are there distinctive ethical issues to which drone warfare gives rise? Why have drones received more public scrutiny than other military instruments? These and other questions were explored with exceptional rigor during this year’s forum. One of the key fac-

tors in the assessment of drone warfare is the asymmetry of risk borne by each side. More conventional forms of warfare force soldiers to face extreme risks of bodily harm or death, but they impose these risks equally on both sides. Drones effectively remove this risk for one side of a conflict and disproportionately subject the other side to the full risk of immediate harm. Perhaps it is the legal ambiguity of the use of drones that explains our ambivalence. Under international legal norms the use of force against another state is only ever warranted after a country has been attacked or when it is apparent that an attack is imminent. Under international law, preventative war is largely illegitimate yet it is in this context where combat drones have been used

and justified. While the United States, the world’s most prominent utilizer of combat drones, frames its use of drones as a tool in the global War on Terror, the moral legitimacy of this stance is subject to debate as the seemingly perpetual war enters its 13th year. With 76 of the world’s countries now utilizing drone technology in one form or another, it is clear that drones are here to stay and will continue to reshape the way we think about armed conflict. The ethical, legal, and moral questions regarding the use of combat drones that were drawn out at this event are the same questions policymakers and government leaders will be contending with for many years to come. **Matteo Pirri** holds an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the U of T and is currently pursuing a Master of Public Policy in the School of Public Policy & Governance. This event was jointly sponsored by the Department of Political Science, the Association of Political Science Students, and Victoria University.



# The New Faculty Cross-Appointed to POL

**Dan Breznitz** - Professor, St. George Campus



The department is fortunate to have **Dan Breznitz** cross-appointed to its ranks. A graduate of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and MIT, Dan is the Peter J. Munk Professor of Innovation Studies and comes to us from the business school at the Georgia Institute of Technology. Known worldwide as an expert on rapid-innovation-based industries and their globalization, Dan has advised multinational corporations, governments, and international organizations such as the World Bank on science, technology, and innovation policies, and he has testified at Congressional committees. His award-winning book *The Run of the Red Queen: Government, Innovation, Globalization, and Economic Growth in China* has been translated into Mandarin. In an earlier life, he founded and served as a CEO of a small software company.

**Nicole Klenk** - Assistant Professor, UTS campus



A student of environmental sociology, **Nicole Klenk** has joined the Department, with a joint appointment to the Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences. Nicole studies, “How environmental knowledge is produced,” “by whom,” “for what purpose,” and “to what effect.” At the core of her research is the governance and future of Canada’s forests, and one idea driving her current research is to probe the adaptive capacity and institutional embodiment of environmental governance arrangements. As part of her new faculty role, Nicole will help build the new Environmental Studies Program at the UTS and will teach courses on Canadian environmental policy and the interface of science and policy.

**Mark Manger** - Assistant Professor, St. George Campus



**Mark Manger**, a member of the Munk School of Global Affairs, joined our department this year and will be teaching a new course, ‘Introduction to Game Theory.’ Fluent in five languages, Mark has taught at McGill and the London School of Economics. He is an authority on the political economy of the Asia-Pacific region, and his particular interest is in social network analysis based on simulation models. A native of Hamburg, Mark is a former rocker in a heavy metal band, a skilled mountaineer who, equipped with ice axes and crampons, has scaled all of Norway’s peaks above 8000, and an avid snowboarder. Mark also dances Cuban salsa.

## Focus on Faculty Research

By Wilson Prichard

As a young PhD student I knew quite clearly that I was interested in the foundations of effective governance and accountability in low-income countries. More precisely, I was interested in how these relationships were constructed “from the ground up”, as citizens came to effectively demand accountability from their political leaders. The obvious approach to this question was to study the role of civil society in building popular movements for accountability. In the end, however, I ended up with a very different

focus: taxation. The joke was that an interest in “exciting topics” like social movements and public mobilization had been replaced by a focus on the most boring and technical subject of all.

However, look a little bit deeper and it becomes clear that the tax system can reveal a great deal about societies, states and the nature of the relationship between citizens and their governments. Taxation is central to how countries fund valued public services, and to the extent (and limits) of redistribution to address growing inequality. Taxation is central to how societies try to discourage negative behaviours (smoking, drinking, pol-

lution) and incentivize transformation (green energy, education). Taxation is, more broadly, at the core of constructing state administration: through the tax system governments gather data that shape national economic policy making and efforts to combat crimes like money-laundering. In similar fashion, the tax system captures the most basic relationship between citizens and governments, with taxes collected based on the promise of reciprocal benefits to society. This basic fiscal relationship, in turn, provides a starting point for popular engagement, collective action and bargaining between

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# Alumna: Rosemary McCarney

When she was a young girl, **Rosemary McCarney**’s brother dubbed her “Rosie the Red” after noticing how distraught she was over the plight of the unfortunate. Her compassion for the less privileged has not wavered. Today, she serves as the CEO of Plan Canada, an NGO with 200 employees, over 200,000 donors, and a \$200 million annual budget. It is well known for its “Because I am a Girl” campaign. What is it like being a CEO? “It’s lots of fun because not only do you get to build a great team, but you can also sit back and look at the big picture to help push forward the international economic and social development agenda.”

After completing her MBA and law degrees, Rosemary consulted and worked for various organizations including the IMF, the World Bank, UN agencies, CIDA, and USAID. She has worked in about 100 countries and had a stint as a Wall Street lawyer, but Africa and its challenges always beckoned. In conjunction with others, Rosemary helped lobby the federal government to adopt maternal, newborn, and child health as Canada’s signature issue at the 2010 G8 summit.

From an early age, Rosemary knew she wanted to “live an international life, beyond borders.” She recognized that studying political science would serve as a stepping-stone on her journey. “I think about them to this day,” she says of her undergraduate professors, who included **Mel Watkins**, **Stephen Clarkson**, **Ian Drummond**, John Crispo and **Abraham Rotstein** whom she describes as “provocative, great thinkers, and critical minds.”



# Hot off the Press

**Emanuel Adler**, *Israel in the World*. New York: Routledge, 2013. Essays ranging from an account of Israel’s exile mentality and the cosmopolitanism of suffering to a fragmenting international legal order and whether an authentic religious process can transform religion into a powerful lever for peace.

**Jacques Bertrand**, *Political Change in Southeast Asia*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013. Bertrand explores why some countries have adopted democratic institutions, while others have maintained stable authoritarian systems or accepted communist regimes.

**Joseph H. Carens**, *The Ethics of Immigration*. London: Oxford University Press, 2013. Carens synthesizes a lifetime of work to explore and illuminate the practical problems that immigration poses for western democracies.

**Richard B. Day**, *Leon Trotsky and the Policy of Economic Isolation*. Moscow: Izdatel’skii dom DELO, 2013. Day provides a new and highly persuasive interpretation of a major period of Soviet history from the October Revolution until 1940.

**Ronald J. Deibert**, *Black Code: Surveillance, Privacy, and the Dark Side of*



*the Internet*. Toronto: Random House of Canada, 2013. Deibert lifts the lid on cyberspace and shows what’s at stake for Internet users and citizens.

**Abbas H. Gnamo**, *Conquest and Resistance in the Ethiopian Empire, 1880 - 1974*. Boston: Brill, 2013. This work examines the philosophical origins of Oromo egalitarian and democratic thought and practice, the Gadaa-Qaalluu system, kinship organization, the introduction and spread of Islam and the consequent socio-cultural changes.

**Paul W. T. Kingston**, *Reproducing Sectarianism: Advocacy Networks and the Politics of Civil Society in Postwar Lebanon*. New York: SUNY Press, 2013. Kingston examines rights-oriented advocacy

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citizens and governments over service provision, accountability, and the very character of the state.

In low-income countries, a focus on tax systems thus provides an entry point to understanding the foundations of statehood and accountability, and the local processes through which they are constructed. My research to date has focused on one question in particular: The ways in which bargaining over taxation has offered taxpayers political power in demanding accountability from their governments, both nationally and locally. In short, my research in Ghana, Kenya, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone and elsewhere has highlighted precisely such processes, through

which bargaining over taxation has underpinned broader governance improvements.

However, this is just the tip of the iceberg: despite its “boring” reputation, I remain convinced that studying the politics of taxation has much to tell us about political and economic outcomes around the world.





## UTSc News

By Grace Skogstad



Our faculty complement has expanded with three new faculty members: **Diana Fu**, **Robert Schertzer**, and **Nicole Klenk** (shared with the Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences) with expertise on China, Canada, and

the Canadian environment, respectively. Our programs are expanding as well. Most notably, we are introducing a new Minor program in Public Law. It requires courses in Canadian government and politics; law, justice and rights; the Canadian constitution; and international law. Elective courses on the Canadian judicial system, comparative legal systems, law and public policy, and constitutionalism, round out the program. Alongside our Political Science (specialist, major, and minor) and Public Policy (major and major-coop) programs, the Public Law minor affirms our commitment to strengthen the career options of our undergraduate students.

## UTM News

By Edward Schatz

At UTM, we've had a busy and productive fall term.

**Shivaji Mukherjee** (PhD Yale) arrived in July 2013. Shivaji's research is on social mobilization and insurgency in South Asia, and he has been teaching a course on South Asian politics and is involved with the Centre for South Asian Civilization.

**Erin Tolley** (PhD Queen's) also arrived in July 2013. Erin's research is on Canadian politics, particularly race, the media, and the elections process. She has taken on our Introduction to Canadian politics course.

**Teresa Bejan** (PhD expected Yale) will join us in July 2014. She is currently doing a post-doctoral year studying tolerance and early American political thought at Columbia University's Society of Fellows.

We are in the midst of additional faculty job searches, so check this space in the spring for an update!

Congratulations to Professor **David Wolfe** on his appointment to the Expert Panel on Business Support Programs with the Ontario Government. David, and the other experts on the panel, will be reviewing the province's business support programs so Ontario companies have the best help possible

to succeed and grow.

We continue to co-host, with Ryerson University, the *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, with

**Graham White** as English-language co-editor and Peter Loewen as assistant editor. Graham had an additional honour bestowed upon him: in the fall, he won the Pierre De Celles Excellence in Teaching Public Administration Award from the Institute of Public Administration of Canada. We are glad that the IPAC has acknowledged what we've long known.

Our office staff is where it all begins. **Norma Dotto** is our Academic Counselor and more; she's really the glue for the office and, indeed, the department. **Lorna Taylor**, our business officer and departmental supervisor extraordinaire, has made a welcome return to the office. **Terri Winchester** and **David Linden**, in their part-time capacities, are also crucial. Together, we look forward to a productive 2014.



## 2013 MA and PhD Major External Scholarship Winners

**Lior Sheffer** won a Vanier Graduate Scholarship. The winner of the Trudeau Foundation Doctoral Scholarship is **Gerald Bareebe**. There are three recipients of the Canada Graduate Scholarship (doctoral): **Geoffrey Cameron**, **Maxime Héroux-Legault**, and **Geoffrey Martin**. We also want to congratulate our SSHRC Doctoral recipients: **Adrienne Davidson**, **Beth Evans**, **Carmen Ho**, **Milena Pandy-Szekeres**, **Stephen Trochimchuk**, and **Hamish Van der Ven**. **Sara Miller** is a recipient of the Ontario Graduate Scholarship (Masters). Three MA students have been awarded a Canada Graduate Scholarship: **Brent Jolly**, **Adelina Petit-Vouriot**, and **Christopher Vanden Berg**. Twenty-three Political Science PhD candidates are the recipients of the Ontario Graduate Scholarship award. Congratulations to: **Noaman Ali**, **Robert Ballingall**, **Allison Carroll Goldman**, **Megan Dersnah**, **Carey Doberstein**, **Joelle Dumouchel**, **Kevin Edmonds**, **Shelly Ghai**, **David Gordon**, **Wilfrid Greaves**, **Matthew Hamilton**, **Milan Illyckyj**, **Kate Korycki**, **Michael Kunz**, **Jean Lachapelle**, **Marion Laurence**, **Michael Morden**, **Matthieu Mondou**, **Alesha Porisky**, **Sarah Rich-Zendel**, **Igor Shoikhedbrod**, **Izabela Steflja**, and **Tanya Whyte**.

## Weddings and Births

PhD candidate **Michael Millerman** and his wife Lola welcomed their son **Nicolas Leonard (Mendel)** on March 21st.

PhD candidate **Alejandro Garcia** and his wife Sasha Marie celebrated the birth of their daughter Tina on December 7, 2012.

Adam Sharif, son of **Safiyyah Ally**, PhD candidate, was born on March 13th, 2013.

Incoming PhD student **Binfan Wang** got married in the summer. And finally, PhD candidate **Erica Rosenfield** married on September 22nd 2013 to Nedko Petkov. Congratulations!

## APSS News

By Benjamin H. Gillard, APSS President



The Association of Political Science Students (APSS) has embarked on a year of program expansion and higher engagement with students. When

our Vice President of Communications, **Emily Tsui**, and I began revamping our communications platform in July, we were doing so with the knowledge that it would be foundational for our outreach to political science students. Numbers do tell a lot, and within the first three months we have just shy of 500 students on our Facebook page, and a comparable number on our email listserv. This is high compared to other groups at the U of T, most of which are lucky to surpass 200.

The programming that our communications platform supports is no less telling of the success we have had so far.

In September, our membership ratified a new constitution that expanded the executive and approved an official mission for the Association. Our response has been to form a Junior Mentorship Program to connect senior political science students with their juniors. Our goal is to enhance the learning experiences of both junior and senior students. The *Undergraduate Journal of Political Science* is also undergoing a 'renovation' this year under the leadership of **Alec Wilson**, who is bringing his experience from the *Varsity* and passion for journalism to the project. This year's format will include an online component and a textual layout more comparable to *Foreign Policy* or the *Economist*.

On behalf of the APSS executive and membership, I look forward to working closely with the department over the course of the year as we continue to grow our programs and services.

## Graduate Student: Izabela Steflja

**Izabela Steflja** is a star, an academic star. The recipient of a SSHRC scholarship as well as the holder of many other grants and awards, she came to Canada from war-torn Yugoslavia in 1997.

The only immigrant in her Dundas, Ontario high school, she opted to go to the U of T rather than accept another university's scholarship offer because she was attracted to Toronto and the U of T's multicultural milieu. As an undergraduate engrossed by **Richard Sandbrook's** lectures in POL 201Y, *'The Politics of Development'*, she became fascinated with Africa and the politics of countries in transition. After completing her BA and earning an MA at McGill, Izabela returned to the U of T to pursue her PhD.

Fluent in Serbian and discerning parallels in political and economic developments in her native Yugoslavia and Africa, she undertook to probe the work of international criminal trials in Rwanda, Serbia, and Bosnia. She likes to be on the ground in complicated environments. Her

fieldwork has also taken her to Burundi, Uganda, South Africa, Tanzania, and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Izabela, who enjoys researching and writing, has served as a teaching assistant in five courses in the department and as an instructor in POL 300H *'Transitional Justice in Post-Conflict Societies'* this past summer. This autumn, she spent six weeks working on her doctoral dissertation as an academic associate at the London School of Economics. Izabela's interests beyond the academic world include foreign films and Flamenco dancing.



Izabela Steflja in Kampala, Uganda

## GASPS News

By Heather Millar and Abraham Singer

The Graduate Association of Students in Political Science (GASPS) is venturing out into new territory this year with an initiative designed to encourage the development of student-driven academic events. Approved by the GASPS membership in September 2013, GASPS is running a pilot project to disburse \$1,000 in funding in support of workshops, graduate



Abraham Singer (L) and Heather Millar (R)

seminars, and other networking opportunities designed to build focused dialogue in different sub-fields. "Over the past few years, we have noticed an increased demand from our membership for programs to enhance intellectual exchange among students and faculty in a variety of sub-fields," notes GASPS Co-Chair Heather Millar.

"While GASPS has traditionally focused on social networking, we hope that this initiative will help spur additional opportunities for community building and scholarly dialogue among our members as well as the faculty." To date GASPS has approved funding for two projects: a graduate 'tea' connected to the FIRST! Seminar Series, and support for an Academic Exchange Program by the Comparative Politics Student Group.

GASPS encourages interested students to submit their proposals in advance of the second funding round on January 15, 2014; do not hesitate to contact the GASPS Co-Chairs Abraham Singer (abe.singer@utoronto.ca) or Heather Millar (h.millar@utoronto.ca) for more information.



## John Bell

### Visiting Professor

We are proud to welcome Visiting Professor John Bell, Director of the Middle East and Mediterranean Program at the Toledo International Centre for Peace in Madrid. While visiting the department in January 2014, Professor Bell will be teaching a two week seminar on Middle East and International Diplomacy. The course is supported by the Department of Political Science and the Centre for Jewish Studies.

The seminar, *The Middle East and International Diplomacy: Today and in the Future* will examine “the Middle East, mediation, and policy development from the perspective of a practitioner.” The course will present students with a historically informed analysis of the region alongside case studies with an emphasis on ‘lessons learned’. Students will leave the course with a stronger grasp of regional dynamics as well as a detailed understanding of how diplomacy and conflict resolution work in the region. Professor Bell is looking forward to discussing new and more innovative ideas for a more effective diplomacy in the Middle East with both students and colleagues alike.

John Bell has worked for over two decades on Middle East politics, policy development, and mediation. He has worked and lived in Cairo, Beirut, Gaza, and Jerusalem, and has considerable experience witnessing the Arab-Israeli conflict as well as political developments in the Arab world. Professor Bell has also worked in the Canadian diplomatic corps and as Political Advisor to the UN Envoy on southern Lebanon. Given the seminar content and John Bell’s expertise, there has been substantial interest from senior undergraduate and graduate students, with some now vying for an available spot.

## Celebrating C.B. Macpherson’s Legacy

By Frank Cunningham

Unquestionably one of the leading political theorists of the 20th Century, **C.B. Macpherson** joined the Department of Political Economy (when E.J. Urwick was, as they were then called, Head) in 1935, having completed his undergraduate studies there and his graduate work under Harold Laski at the LSE. He retired in 1982, the very year the Department split into Economics and Political Science.

His first book, *Democracy in Alberta* (1953) remains a touchstone text for



students of Albertan Social Credit, and his *The Political Theory of Possessive Individualism* (1962) defended, at the time, heterodox analysis of the views of Hobbes, Locke, and others as expressions of the nascent capitalism of their times. Macpherson’s Massey Lectures, *The Real World of Democracy*

(published in 1965 by the CBC), along with his popularly written, *The Life and Times of Liberal Democracy* (1977), reached a very large audience during the years of youth activism beginning in the mid 1960’s. Other writings, such as those collected in *Democratic Theory* (1972) and *The Rise and Fall of Economic Justice* (1985) critically engaged the views of Isaiah Berlin, Milton Freedman, Robert Dahl, and other central figures, and they articulated a sophisticated theory about the strengths and weaknesses of liberal democracy with respect to Macpherson’s overall project of strengthening the theory and practice of democracy.

Reflecting a resurgence of interest in Macpherson’s work, all these books (except the Massey Lectures) have been reissued in the past two years. *Democracy in Alberta* is reissued by the U of T Press with an introduction by Nelson Wiseman, the others by Oxford University Press, with introductions by myself.



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networks within Lebanon’s postwar civil society, focusing on movements and political campaigns based on gender relations, the environment, and disability.

Andrew Cooper, **John J. Kirton**, and Franklyn Lisk, eds. *Africa’s Health Challenges*. Surrey, United Kingdom: Ashgate, 2013. This volume addresses the ideological and policy-oriented challenges of Africa’s health governance due to voluntary and involuntary cross-border migration of people and diseases in a growing ‘mobile Africa’.

James Farney and **David Rayside**, eds. *Conservatism in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2013. This well-timed volume presents the first comprehensive examination of Canadian conservatism in a generation.

**Grace Skogstad**, **David Cameron**, Martin Papillon, and Keith Banting, eds. *The Global Promise of Federalism*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2013. This festschrift honours the life and work of **Richard Simeon**, one of Canada’s foremost experts on federalism. The festschrift concludes with the last academic article written by the late Professor Simeon titled “Reflections on a Federalist Life.”

**Nelson Wiseman**. *The Public Intellectual in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2013. This illuminating, entertaining, and timely volume examines the place and impact of public intellectuals in our rapidly changing and diverse society.

## Awards, Prizes and Milestone Celebrations

The department is proud to announce that **Ronald Deibert** was the recipient of three exceptional awards in 2013. *The Canadian Library Association Advancement of Intellectual Freedom in Canada Award* recognizes and honours outstanding contributions to intellectual freedom; the *Partners in Research Technology Ambassador Award* recognizes outstanding contributions to a body of work in the field of Canadian technology; and finally, the *Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal* which honours significant contributions and achievements by Canadians.

**Stephen Clarkson** won the *Konrad Adenauer Research Award*, which promotes academic collaboration between Canada and the Federal Republic of Germany. Clarkson is working with colleagues at Berlin’s Free University on how norms and institutions privileging foreign corporations’ investments are entrenched and resisted in Europe, North America and South America.

The *Connaught New Researcher Award* was designed to foster excellence in research and innovation among new researchers, and this year two of our faculty members are recipients: **Andrea Olive**, who will be studying “Immigrant attitudes toward wildlife & nature: A case study of Chinese immigrants in Toronto and Vancouver” and **Carolina de Miguel**, who will focus on “The price of territorial politics: Economic inequality, institutions and party systems.”

**Emanuel Adler** recently completed his *Fernand Braudel Senior Fellowship* at the European University Institute (EUI). The Fernand Braudel Senior Fellowship provides a framework for established academics with an international reputation to pursue their research at the EUI. Adler

was at the EUI from September 2012 to July 2013. He also became a Fellow of the prestigious Royal Society of Canada.

**Clifford Orwin** has received the inaugural *JJ Berry Smith Award* which recognizes outstanding performance in the multiple roles associated with doctoral student supervision.

At the most recent Canadian Political Science Association conference, **Gabe Eidelman**, a new Pol alumnus, was awarded the *Vincent Lemieux* prize. This prize is awarded to the best thesis in any sub-field of political science written in English or French, judged eminently worthy of publication in the form of a book or articles.

The *Pierre De Celles Award* is granted for excellence in the teaching of public administration. The award encourages and recognizes exceptionally effective and creative teachers, and the department is proud to announce that this year’s winner is **Graham White**.

**Harald Bathelt** and **Ran Hirschl** recently, had their prestigious Tier 1 Canada Research Chairs in *Innovation and Governance* and *Constitutionalism, Democracy, and Development*, respectively renewed.

**Kent Roach** has been awarded a *Trudeau Foundation Fellowship* in recognition of his outstanding scholarly and pro bono contributions in constitutional, human rights, and anti-terrorism issues. Kent is cross appointed to the department.

**Steven Bernstein** and **Margaret (Peggy) Kohn** were promoted to the rank of Professor. **Rauna Kuokkanen**, **Ruth Marshall** and **Wendy Wong** were all promoted to the rank of Associate Professor.

## New Awards and Scholarships

The Department of Political Science is proud to announce three new awards and scholarships.

**The Noah Blackstein and Michael Donnelly Graduate Fellowships** will support graduate students engaged in the study of political economy. **Noah Blackstein** donated these gifts because, in his words, “his experience and education in the department gave him a strong foundation for leadership in his industry.” It was his relationship with Michael Donnelly that proved to be a turning-point in his studies, and hence his decision to honour Professor Donnelly.

The **Stephen Clarkson Scholarship in Political Economy** will be awarded to an exceptional undergraduate student in the department whose research interests touch upon political economy. **Stephen Clarkson** is one of Canada’s preeminent political scientists and a Professor Emeritus of the department, still actively engaged in research.

The **Richard Iton Bursary** was created in memory of Professor **Richard Iton** and will be granted to an undergraduate student in the Department. Richard Iton’s brilliant scholarly career was marked by the publication of two award-winning books on the study of race and politics: *Solidarity Blues: Race, Culture and the American Left* (University of North Carolina Press, 2000), and *In Search of the Black Fantastic* (Oxford University Press, 2008). At the time of his death, Richard was working on a third book, *Ghosts, Text and Play: Politics Beyond the Boundary*.

Want to help create a better educational experience for our undergraduate and graduate students in Political Science? Donations to the Department contribute to the establishment of awards and scholarships, but that’s not all. Donations support field research costs for students, awards for students to present their research at conferences, and funding for networking events. Donations are easier than ever. Please see page 12 to find out how you can donate.

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On November 26, 2013 Jean Charest visited Professor **Nelson Wiseman's** Canadian politics class. The former leader of the federal Progressive Conservative party and Premier of Québec attended Nelson Wiseman's POL 356Y (Canadian Political Parties) class. He spoke with students about the highs and lows of his political career, and he also responded to questions regarding important policy issues facing Canada and Québec.



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