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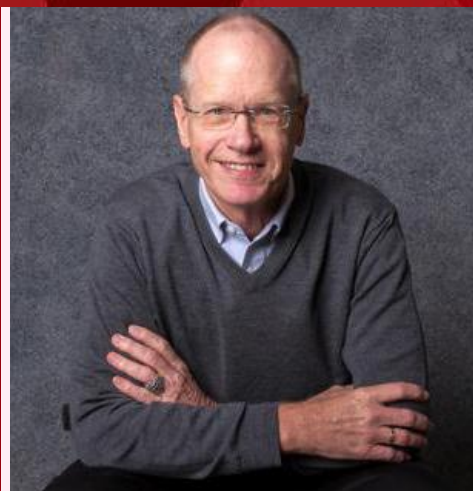


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David Rayside: An Appreciation



By Robert Vipond

My first assignment in the Department, some 30 years ago, was to teach the core graduate course in comparative politics. I was completely out of my depth. I had left for graduate school in the U.S. as a wannabe political theorist and had returned masquerading as an Americanist. In between, I had written a dissertation on Canadian constitutionalism which was, in all sorts of ways, neither here nor there. None of this had even faintly prepared me for prime time in POL 2300. Enter **David Rayside**, guardian angel. In its wisdom, the Department had paired me in the seminar with David (later in the year, we were joined by **Peter Solomon**); from the beginning, David took me under his wing. We (but mainly he) crafted a wonderfully quirky syllabus that centred on

classic names in comparative politics – Barrington Moore, Charles Tilly, C. Wright Mills, Theda Skocpol and Karl Polanyi among them. He took care to ensure that his teaching partner did not embarrass himself too badly in the seminar discussion. And when class was over, we repaired to David's office to conduct a post mortem over a glass (or two) of sherry that he stowed in his desk for such occasions.

I learned a lot about David that year. I learned, first, about his enormous generosity of spirit. He had every reason to keep his distance from me, the rookie; instead, he treated me with that combination of support and respect that distinguishes outstanding mentors. I am far from alone in this. How often has David mentored young faculty and students, volunteered to do a guest spot in a colleague's course, or produced his signature baklava for Department parties? From teaching with him, I learned as well that David is really, really smart. A number of people have noted that one of David's great scholarly contributions has been to mainstream LGBT politics into political science. Which is true, and it's true in part because David is such a talented and versatile scholar of comparative politics. Local politics, social movement politics, constitutional politics, religion and politics – and lest we forget where he started, comparative political parties – the scope and depth of David's interests are (to borrow his favourite superlative) breathtaking.

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Message from the Chair: Louis Pauly

The dynamism, depth, and complexity of today's Political Science Department at the U of T may be glimpsed in this edition of our newsletter. That great students continue to enroll in our programs is no surprise. The sheer array of learning opportunities now available to them is something else. Our much-missed colleague, Steve Dupré, helped build the foundations for our tri-campus structure. **David Rayside, Paul Kingston, Ed Schatz, Grace Skogstad** and others noted herein continue to build strong linkages across the constituent colleges and campuses of our University. The newest chapters in our long history are being written today as we develop innovative programs with, for example, the Munk School of Global Affairs and the School of Public Policy and Governance. How lucky we are to provide an institutional home for first-class faculty members ranging from **Peter Russell**, who joined us in 1958 and continues to inspire us all, to the many new colleagues introduced in the pages below. We invite our alumni to stay in touch and certainly to participate in the events we regularly advertise on our website.

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J. Stefan Dupré (November 3, 1936 - December 6, 2012)

The Department of Political Science has lost a dear friend and colleague, and a man who contributed magnificently to its life. We would like to pay tribute to the memory of Stefan Dupré, 76, who passed away on December 6, 2012 at Sunnybrook Hospital. He is survived by his wife Anne Wilson Dupré, daughter Sam (Daphne) Barrett, son-in-law Brock Barret, and son Maurice Robert Dupré.

Steve was born and raised in Québec City, and in 1955 received his BA from the University of Ottawa. Three years later, at the age of 22, he received his PhD in Political Economy and Government from Harvard. Steve remained at Harvard as a faculty member until 1963 when he joined the Department of Political Economy at the University of Toronto, and served as the department's Chair from 1970 until 1974. He remained with the Department of Political Economy and its offshoot, Political Science, until 1996 when he became President of the Ca-

nadian Institute for Advanced Research, a position he held until 2000.

It is difficult to pay tribute to such an accomplished man. Simply mentioning his publications, administrative positions, and awards only begins to uncover the true impact of Steve's legacy. In addition to being an accomplished and well regarded scholar, Steve was a member of the National Research Council and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council; Chairman of the Ontario Task Force on Financial Institutions and the Royal Commission on Asbestos; an official advisor to the Alberta and the British Columbia Ministries of Advanced Education; the founding Chair of the Ontario Council on University Affairs. For years, Steve was the person presidents and provosts went to when they had particularly intractable problems that needed to be fixed; he found it impossible to say no when the interests of his beloved University were at stake. He was a recipient of the Institute of Public Administration's Vanier

Medal and received the Order of Canada for his extraordinary service in the field of education.

This awe inspiring list of accomplishments and awards speaks to Steve's drive and determination to serve the public interest, but what is even more remarkable is that these achievements do not reflect his true passion, teaching undergraduate students.

Steve played a formative role in the shaping of our Department, but he was more than a university leader and scholar: he was an exemplary teacher with a great heart.

The Department has set up a memorial fund to create a student award in Steve's memory.



Want to help create a better educational experience for our undergraduate and graduate students in Political Science? Donations to the Department not only contribute to awards and scholarships, but they also support field research, conference travel and funding for networking events. Making a donation is easier than ever. Please see page 12 to find out how you can donate.

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(L to R) David Rayside and Robert Vipond

At the time we taught together in 1981-82, David was already deeply engaged in gay activism, and our conversations often came back to the challenge of bringing deeply held principles to the often messy world of politics. One thing I didn't see so clearly at the time was David's remarkable capacity for institution-building. Few there are who possess the combination of vision, strategic acumen, and just plain stamina to make major changes in a large and unwieldy place like the U of T. Yet David has those qualities in spades, and the Bonham

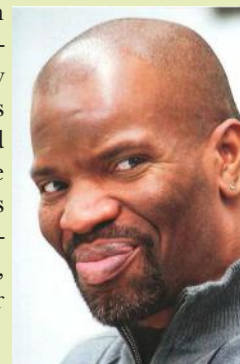
Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies is the thriving space that proves it. The point, though, is that David is not just an institution-builder; he is an institution-sustainer. I think, in this regard, of his unflagging support of the Department of Political Science. Even when his intellectual and institutional energies began to shift to University College and Sexual Diversity Studies, David still found time to tackle big jobs in the Department – among them, teaching large first-year Canadian politics courses and serving as TA coordinator, then Graduate Director and, most recently, formidable fund raiser for student fellowships.

We will sorely miss David Rayside's many contributions to the Department and University. But maybe, just maybe, retirement will relax his schedule to the point that he'll have the time to retrieve the sherry from his desk drawer so that he and I can raise our glasses again to POL 2300, an enduring friendship, and a magnificent career.

Richard Iton

(September 14, 1961 - April 24, 2013)

The Department mourns the death of our former colleague, Richard Iton, who passed away on April 24, 2013 in Evanston, Illinois. Richard joined the Department as an Assistant Professor in 1994. After receiving tenure in 1999, Richard moved to Northwestern University as a Professor of African American Studies and Political Science and we were fortunate to have him rejoin our Department briefly in 2008-09. It is with profound sadness that we mourn the loss of our extraordinary colleague, teacher, mentor and friend.



UTSC's New Centre for Critical Development Studies

By Paul Kingston



The Centre for Critical Development Studies (CCDS) was established last summer at the University of Toronto's Scarborough campus (UTSC). It becomes the home of the interdisciplinary International Development Studies (IDS) undergraduate program, the flagship of which is the Five Year Specialist Co-op degree. This extremely successful program – now over 25 years young – sends students off to a developing country for an eight to twelve month NGO work placement in their fourth year. This experience becomes the basis for their IDS thesis project in the fifth and final year. The CCDS effectively becomes the IDS program's new 'Department'. The mandate of the new Centre, however, is to build upon this success by transforming the CCDS into a platform for interdisciplinary research in the field of Critical Development Studies.

Political Science is well represented – the CCDS including both **Judith Teichman** and myself (as founding director) – within the broad interdisciplinary pool of the CCDS's nine cross-appointed faculty that includes

representation from Geography, Anthropology, Development Economics, Environmental Science and History/International Health. The CCDS's aim is to take advantage of this unique grouping of faculty and the modest resources that have come with its creation to position itself – in collaboration with the Development Studies Seminar group on the St. George campus – as a research and networking node within the University and beyond in the field of 'Critical' Development Studies, a field that emphasizes the importance of history, context and power in the study of development processes, policies and practices.

The CCDS is off and running. In addition to an in-house lecture series, it has created an annual fund to support faculty research workshops. In the winter of 2013, the fund will support a workshop among development studies programs in the Southern Ontario region with the purpose of exploring possibilities of collaboration at the graduate and research levels, and it is planning an annual University-wide lecture in the field of Critical Development Studies – the first will take place in the fall of 2013. While an integrated CCDS-wide research initiative will take longer to develop, its faculty are involved in a number of ongoing research networks and have also been catalysts for an emerging initiative called CORD – Collaboration for Research on Democracy – that includes the participation of development

think tanks and University research centers from across the developing world. This collaboration began with an agenda-setting workshop sponsored and hosted by the CCDS last May with funding from the IDRC and this will be followed in December by another in New Delhi, India on the theme of "*Mediation and Citizenship in the Global South*".

This is all good news for political scientists like myself interested in the field of Critical Development Studies – as well as for our graduate students looking for new and exciting interdisciplinary research opportunities that the CCDS hopes to create. Given our interests in understanding the exercise of power, we continue to have much to contribute to the field, perhaps no more so than today given criticisms of the "de-politicizing" tendencies of past scholarship that has led to a marked critical turn towards 'the political'. More importantly, however, the interdisciplinary environment that the CCDS is cultivating, creates new spaces within the University within which political scientists can learn from alternative conceptual approaches that other disciplines bring to the table – approaches that challenge us to think about the exercise of power in pursuit of social, economic and political justice around the world in new and important ways.

Alumnus profile

Mark Lloyd

Mark Lloyd came to the Department of Political Science in 1991, and worked with **Clifford Orwin** and **Thomas L. Pangle**, before completing his PhD in 1999. Following his PhD and while working as an Assistant Professor, Mark decided to pursue an alternative career path and today Mark is an Investment Advisor & Associate Portfolio Manager for RBC Wealth

Management providing comprehensive wealth management primarily for two groups: corporate officers and high net worth families. Although not the usual path for political theorists, Mark believes in the value of a liberal arts education and feels that the training he received in Political Science provided him with the necessary tools to succeed in finance. Despite being selected to join the RBC Dominion Security Executive Council, an honour bestowed to top financial advisors, Mark's proudest moment is co-founding the Alan Bloom Memorial

Postdoc Fellowship with former alumni, Jason Hanson and Gary Clewly.



UTSC News

By Grace Skogstad, Chair, Political Science, UTSC

This academic year has been an historic one for Political Science at UTSC. On July 1, 2012, the Social Sciences Department at UTSC was dissolved and our faculty and students were given their own administrative home in a new Department of Political Science.

In the months since then, the Department has been busy. We have devoted considerable time to renewing our faculty complement, and are delighted that our searches in Canadian politics and Asian politics have been successful. Two new colleagues, **Robert Schertzer** and **Diana Fu**, will be joining us on July 1, 2013. Robert is an expert in Canadian politics who earned his PhD from the London School of Economics in 2011. Currently a senior policy advisor in the Department of Citizenship and Immigration of the Government of Canada, Robert specializes in issues of federalism and

the accommodation of ethno-national diversity in Canada. Our other new colleague, Diana, is an expert in Chinese politics. She received her PhD from Oxford in 2012 and is currently a post-doctoral fellow at Stanford University. Diana's research focuses on the role of organizations representing civil society, including labour, in Chinese politics.

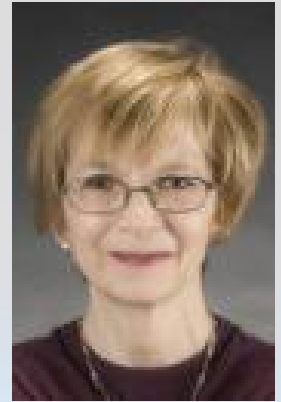
The appointment of Diana and Robert brings our complement to 14 full-time faculty members: a number slated to grow with the successful conclusion of a current search in Environmental Policy, and a search next fall in comparative public policy.

Our new status as a separate department has also brought new administrative staff. Joining **Gail Copland** (Business Officer), **Audrey Glasbergen** (Administrative Assistant) and **Brigitte Gonzalez** (TA coordinator), are **Sue-Ann Hicks** as the Assistant to the Chair, **Benjamin**

Pottruff as the advisor for our undergraduate programs, and **Francesca Andrade** as Financial Assistant.

We have also devoted attention to academic planning, engaging in a thorough review of our Specialist, Major and Minor programs in Political Science, and our Major and Major Co-op programs in Public Policy. These programs will be formally reviewed by external assessors in late 2013.

Add to our ongoing teaching and research endeavours, and there's no question that it's been a demanding but also rewarding inaugural year!



UTM News

By Edward Schatz, Chair, Political Science, UTM

Thanks in large part to the tremendous efforts and talents of prior chairs and administrative staff, 2012-13 was a busy and productive year at UTM.

Andrea Olive (PhD, Purdue), a joint appointment with the Geography department, arrived in July 2012. She has been teaching North American environmental politics to enraptured students. Together with **Steven Bernstein**, she represents a formidable force in the scholarship on this crucial issue.

Steven Bernstein assumed the post of Graduate Director and Associate Chair in the Graduate Program – a welcome recognition of UTM faculty members' central role in graduate training. UTM Political Science visibility increases. This year, we began 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.

Next year will bring some changes.

Lee Ann Fujii will take up a prestigious one-year residential fellowship at the Russell Sage Foundation in New York. **Mark Lippincott** will add an innovative course on "drama and politics" to his arsenal. Two tenure-stream faculty members will arrive. **Erin Tolley** (PhD, Queen's, expected spring 2013) will join us to teach Canadian politics and to develop further her fascinating research on representation and identity. **Shivaji Mukherjee** (PhD, Yale, expected spring 2013) will bring his cutting-edge research and teaching on South Asia and social mobilization to UTM. **Teresa Bejan** (PhD, Yale, expected spring 2013) will join us in July 2014, after a year of deepening her research on tolerance and early American political thought at Columbia University's Society of Fellows. Our complement expands, our expertise deepens, and our impact grows.

On the administrative side, we benefited from the services of **Mary Cunningham**, who served until January 2013 as a maternity leave replacement for **Lorna**

Taylor. With Lorna back in the proverbial saddle, as well as part-time administrative assistant **Terri Winchester** and master-of-all-trades **Norma Dotto** (our Academic Counselor, plus so much more), we will continue building our Department in ways that serve both UTM students and the larger tri-campus intellectual community.



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Political Science Alumni Association (PSAA)

By Alex Greco

On Tuesday, February 5, 2013 the U of T Political Science Alumni Association (PSAA), the Career Centre and the Faculty of Arts and Science teamed up to host the inaugural *Careers in the Public Service Panel*. Alex Greco, a recent MA graduate from the Department, moderated and played a significant role in organizing the panel. In front of an audience of over 90 people, the panel featured representatives from the On-

tario Public Service, City of Toronto and Federal Public Service. The panelists shared stories of how they began their careers in the public service and offered great advice as to how one can launch



(L to R) Kara Rawson, Marie Moliner, Caspar Hall and John Schaffter

their careers and network within all three levels of government. The event was a huge success and feedback fol-

lowing the event was overwhelmingly positive. Students asked the esteemed panelists questions ranging from how the application process works to alternative ways to get noticed by hiring managers in the public service. A networking reception followed the discussion, allowing students to mingle and ask the panelists additional questions. The PSAA organized two more successful events in March and April and continues to work on many new and exciting initiatives.

Graduated with a Political Science degree? Want to get involved with Alumni activities or a mentorship program? Contact polsci.alum@utoronto.ca

New Books

Herman Bakvis and **Grace Skogstad**, eds. *Canadian Federalism: Performance, Effectiveness, and Legitimacy*. Third Edition. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2012. Contributed by some of Canada's leading political scientists, the 18 original essays of this well-respected collection present an accessible, rigorous and balanced assessment of Canadian federalism today.

Gillian Butler, **Melissa Williams** and The American Political Science Association. *Transitional Justice: NOMOS LI*. New York, New York: New York University Press, 2012. In *Transitional Justice*, a group of leading scholars in philosophy, law and political science settles some of the key theoretical debates over the meaning of transitional justice while opening up new ones.

Richard B. Day and Daniel F. Gaido, trans. *Discovering Imperialism: Social Democracy to World War I*. Reprint. Chicago, Illinois: Haymarket Books, 2012. This volume assembles and translates for the first time the main documents from this debate, and features contributions from Karl Kautsky, Parvus, Otto Bauer, Karl Radek, Anton Pannekoek and Trotsky, among numerous others.

John J. Kirton, *G20 Governance for a*

Globalized World. Burlington, Vermont; London, U.K.: Ashgate, 2013. This study mobilizes classic and contemporary international relations theory to explain the causes of observed G20 governance and, on this basis, offers some concluding predictions about its future course.

Triadafilos Triadafilopoulos, ed. *Wanted and Welcome?: Policies for Highly Skilled Immigrants in Comparative Perspective*. 2013 ed. New York, New York: Springer, 2013. This book considers the origins, performance and diffusion of national immigration policies targeting highly skilled immigrants.



Austerity: The History of a Dangerous Idea

Mark Blyth, Professor of International Political Economy at Brown University and faculty fellow of the Watson Institute for Internationalized Studies, gave the C. Malin Harding Lecture in Political Economy on March 14, 2013. The event coincided with the release of Professor Blyth's new book *Austerity: The History of a Dangerous Idea* (Oxford University Press, 2013). The book describes how governments in the United States and Europe have represented government spending as both wasteful and the cause of worsening economies. In doing so, they've increased budgetary pressures ostensibly to 'solve' the current financial crisis. Blyth counters these assertions by arguing that the financial crisis was not the result of government spending, rather the result of bailing out, re-capitalizing and adding liquidity to a defective banking system. Political and economic elites have fundamentally relabeled private debt as government debt, blamed the state for the mess, and placed the burden on the taxpayer, rather than recognize that the finan-

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Francesca Andrade - Financial Assistant, UTSC

Francesca is the key contact for all faculty members with grant related questions at UTSC. She is responsible for all accounting matters related to research grants (SSHRC, CRC, CFI, NSERC, SIG, Connaught and other miscellaneous grants) such as expense reimbursements, debit memos, accountable advances, cheque requests, wire transfers, purchase orders (e.g. USHOP), and payroll contracts for research assistants.



Kenichi Ariga - Lecturer, Quantitative Methods, UTSG

Kenichi, originally from Japan, earned his PhD from the University of Michigan in 2010 and held Lecturer and postdoctoral positions at Harvard, the Ohio State University, and Emory University before joining the Department. His research and teaching interests include quantitative political methodology, comparative electoral and legislative politics, and Japanese politics. Kenichi's current research projects focus on comparative analysis of incumbency advantage and the variation in the impact of corruption charges on election outcomes across different electoral systems. He and his family are eager to learn all about the Canadian way of life.

Teresa Bejan - Assistant Professor, Political Theory, UTM

Teresa is excited to join the Department in the fall of 2014. Teresa's principal research and teaching interests lie in the history of political thought, religion and politics, and contemporary political theory. She is currently finishing her PhD at Yale, and holds previous degrees from the University of Chicago and Cambridge. Her dissertation, *"Mere Civility: Toleration and its Limits in Early Modern England and America,"* examines competing conceptions of "civility" and its relationship to tolerance and the practice of religious disagreement in seventeenth-century Anglo-American political thought. Teresa will be a Mellon Research Fellow in the Society of Fellows in the Humanities and a visiting lecturer in the Department of Political Science at Columbia University during the 2013-14 academic year.



Jonathan Craft - Assistant Professor, Public Policy, UTSG

Jonathan will join the Department and the School of Public Policy and Governance in July 2013. He specializes in Canadian and comparative public policy, public administration and governance. Originally from Oakville, Ontario, he completed his SSHRC funded dissertation at Simon Fraser University. The study examined the policy functions and impact of appointed political staffs in Canada. He is currently co-editing a manuscript, *"Policy Work in Canada: Professional Practices and Analytical Capacities in Canada's Policy Advisory System"* to be published by the University of Toronto Press. Jonathan looks forward to returning to Toronto to be closer to friends and family and for its galleries and vibrant jazz scene.

Theresa Enright - Assistant Professor, Urban Politics and Governance, UTSG

Theresa, a native Torontonion, received her PhD from the University of California, Santa Cruz. Her research interests are situated at the intersection of critical theory and urban politics with particular foci on global cities, transit-oriented development, mega-projects and urban-suburban relations. She is currently working on a book manuscript entitled, *"The Making of Grand Paris: French Neoliberalism and Urban Politics in the 21st Century"*. Theresa is excited to live in Toronto once again, and in the future, she hopes to turn her attention to spatial politics in the Greater Toronto Area. When not working, Theresa enjoys rock climbing, running and cooking.



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Diana Fu - Assistant Professor, Asian Politics, UTSC

Diana is currently working on a book manuscript on state control and civil society contention in contemporary China. She completed her doctorate in politics with distinction from Oxford where she studied as a Rhodes Scholar. Her dissertation, "*Flexible Repression: Engineering Control and Contention in Authoritarian China*" explores how the state and civil society experiment with new modes of control and contention inside the world's largest authoritarian regime.



Julie Guzzo - Department Manager, UTSG



Julie joined us as Department Manager in January 2013. She comes to Political Science from The Donnelly Centre, a multi-disciplinary research institute in the Faculty of Medicine. Julie began her post-secondary education in Fine Arts but then became interested in the sciences and went on to complete a PhD in Molecular Biology at McGill University. She began her career at the University of Toronto thirteen years ago as a Research Associate studying the regulation of genes involved in cancer. Since then, her roles have developed into laboratory management, project management and ultimately financial and administrative management. Julie enjoys reading, running and photography but dedicates most of her free time to her young daughters, Olivia and Sienna.

Donald Kingsbury - Lecturer, UTSG

Donald's work focuses on contemporary Latin American and North Atlantic political thought and Latin American political cultures. He has lived and worked throughout the United States and South America, most notably in Venezuela, where he was employed by the Venezuelan government's Ministry of Planning and Development. Don comes to Toronto from the Department of Politics at the University of California, Santa Cruz, where he taught classes on Latin American Politics, Critical Political Theory, Marxism and Social Movements.



Shivaji Mukherjee - Assistant Professor, South Asian Politics, UTM



Shivaji's research interests lie at the intersection of state formation, civil conflict, and political economy of development. He completed a MA in International Relations at Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi, and after working as a Research Assistant at the Institute for Conflict Management in New Delhi, he earned his PhD in Political Science at Yale. His dissertation is on the Maoist insurgency in India, includes data from field work, archival data and quantitative analysis of sub-national datasets, and demonstrates that colonial institutions of indirect rule selected by the British set up the structural conditions for post-colonial insurgency through path-dependent mechanisms.

Robert Schertzer - Assistant Professor, Canadian Politics, UTSC

Robert was raised in Southern Ontario, and recently completed his PhD in Government at the LSE. He was previously a visiting researcher at the University of Ottawa and the co-Chair of the Association for the Study of Ethnicity and Nationalism at the LSE. He has also held a number of positions with the Government of Canada over the last decade, most recently as a Senior Policy Advisor working on a set of fundamental reforms to the economic immigration system. His research deals with the theory and politics of diversity, conflict management and constitutionalism, with a particular focus on Canada.



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Sabbatical in Berlin

By Phil Triadafilopoulos



I spent the first half of my sabbatical in Berlin, as a Visiting Professor at the Hertie School of Governance. I ended up teaching a course on immigration politics (my research area) and another on “The Limits of Rationality.” Both courses were fun, but teaching “Limits” (as the students took to calling it), was a career highlight. The course was centred on a single basic question: Given the dominance of rationalist paradigms in both the practice and analysis of public policymaking, how can we make sense of morally reprehensible actions on the part of state elites, on the one hand, and the massive neglect of these acts by students of public policy, on the other? I am delighted to report that we did not answer this question – it is too impor-

tant and far too complex. We did, however, come to a better understanding of the consequences of rationality in governance by carefully reading and discussing the work of philosophers, sociologists, political scientists and lawyers, and considering some cases in which rationality has assisted in the pursuit of ethically dubious acts (e.g. forced sterilization, genocide, non-consensual medical experimentation, torture). One always hopes that a seminar will provoke real thinking and intellectual nourishment for the teacher and the students alike.

When not teaching, I followed stories related to immigration, citizenship and the “politics of membership” in Germany. There were plenty to keep track of. Did you know that several of Germany’s federal states, led by North Rhine Westphalia, have introduced publicly funded programs granting Muslim students access to religious education on par with their Protestant, Catholic and Jewish classmates? This marks a profoundly interesting case of “institutional layering.” Moreover, Germany passed a new law confirming Jewish and Muslim

parents’ rights to have male children circumcised. This came in the wake of a local court decision rejecting circumcision on the grounds that it violated a boy’s right to physical integrity. This marked an interesting role reversal: usually courts uphold minority rights in the face of legislatures’ efforts to roll them back. Further, Germany revised its immigration law to make it easier for highly skilled immigrants to gain admission. And I received no end of requests asking me to explain how Canada has succeeded in crafting a “welcoming society.” All of this was happening during a period in which Germany received a significant shot of intra-EU labour migration courtesy of the economic crisis rocking Spain, Greece and Italy.

While there still exists a strong core of anti-immigrant sentiment among the German political class, the general trend is toward greater openness and acceptance of Germany’s status as a multicultural country. Immigration has transformed and continues to transform Germany’s demography and promises to do the same to many of its core institutions.

Alumna Profile: Leanne Rasmussen

Leanne Rasmussen received her BA and MA in Political Science from the University of Toronto. As an undergraduate, Leanne majored in International Relations (IR) and served as co-President of the University of Toronto’s Oxfam chapter. As a graduate student, Leanne extended her research interests in IR through the inclusion of political economy and international development. Under the stewardship of **Victor Falkenheim** (Political Science) and Albert Berry (Economics), Leanne explored the agricultural policies of Ghana, Kenya and Zimbabwe to complete her MA in Political Science. Her research topic regarding the economic benefits of good agricultural policy would go on to play a key role in shaping her fu-

ture.

Leanne graduated from the MA program in the Fall of 2012, but spent the previous months before graduation feeling concerned and uncertain about her prospects of finding a job. This is where Leanne’s story speaks to many students, reminding them that it is possible to find work in your field of study, doing something that you’re passionate about.

In the last few months of completing her Master’s thesis, Leanne spoke to her advisors about what other graduates had done with their degrees. Professor Berry recommended that Leanne contact a former student working for Engineers Without Borders. Leanne looked into it, applied, and three interviews later, was hired as a Market Development Strategist for the Agriculture Value Chains

Team in Kampala, Uganda. Leanne’s research and training in political economy proved to be an invaluable asset in her understanding and assessing the type of candidate Engineers Without Borders was looking for. Although the job market is competitive, transitioning out of academia does not mean that you have to abandon your scholarly interests.



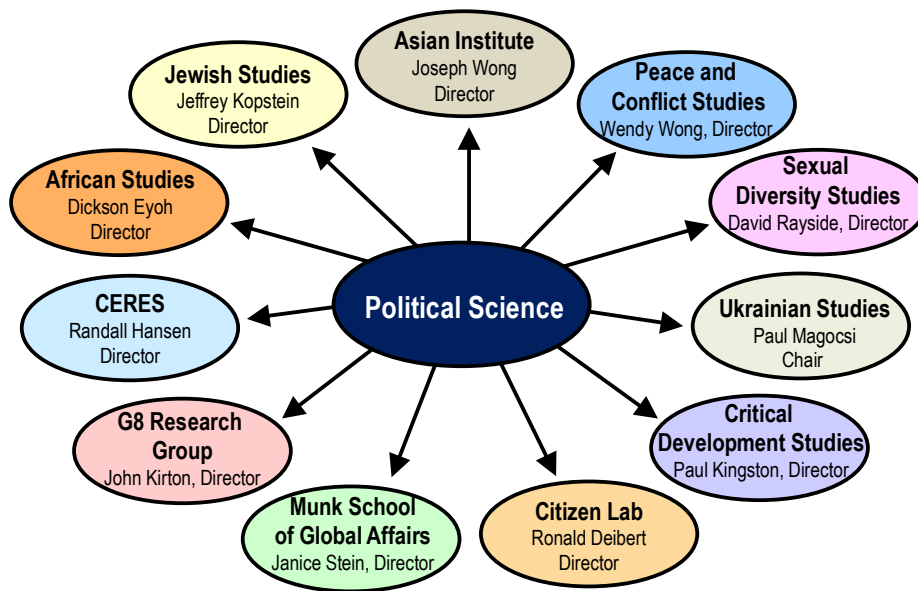
Interdisciplinary Research

By Theo Verinakis

On its surface the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto is organized much like any other Department; however, there is nothing traditional or ordinary about the department's approach to the study of politics. That's because at its core political science continues to balance the sciences and humanities. In fact, the Department actively encourages its faculty and students to seek out and build relationships with faculty members, programs, and institutions across the campus. Each scholar who ventures outside of the Department strengthens and expands the scope of political science research at the U of T. Many faculty members from the Department actively participate in the various interdisciplinary programs and centres across the campus. Having faculty members willing to cross disciplinary boundaries for the pursuit of knowledge enriches the academic environment of the University of Toronto through a process of cross-fertilization. Political scientists venture into new academic environments, interject concepts and raise questions unique to their field. This generates vibrant topics of discussion, and whatever new theories, questions, or methods produced are then introduced back into the Department.

We can see the success of this process by looking at the work of a few of our faculty members. For instance, **John Kirton**, professor of international relations and Canadian foreign policy, is also co-Director and founder of the G20 Research Group, Director of the G8 Research Group, and co-Director of the BRICS Research Group and the Global

Health Diplomacy Program, all based at Trinity College and the Munk School of Global Affairs. Owing to John's vision outside his discipline, the G8, G20 and BRICS research groups produce compliance reports that monitor the progress and commitments of G8, G20, and BRICS members with the commitments they make at their summits. Research by **Lynette Ong** is contributing to our understanding of intergovernmental relations in China, as well as shedding light on how a *de facto* federal Chinese state informs the political science literature on fiscal federalism.



David Rayside played a critical role developing the Sexual Diversity Studies minor program in 1998, and ultimately in establishing the Bonham Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies. David explains that the work outside his discipline stemmed from being active in U of T feminist networks. In the late 1980s, his research broadened to include sexuality and a few years later, David and colleagues turned their attention to curricular change – in the face of near total invisibility. The result was a Sexual Diversity Studies minor program.

Joseph Wong, Canada Research Chair and Director of the Asian Institute, is working with engineers on the design and delivery of sanitation technology, with physicians on nutrition

interventions, and with management scholars keen on leveraging existing technology platforms to provide social services to those who are very poor. “My work is multi-disciplinary; which is to say that while I do not understand how engineers design a bridge or a toilet or a mobile phone, I do know that they see the world differently than I do, and that understanding those differences ought to be embraced, not feared, or worse, dismissed.”

The commitment to interdisciplinary research increases as more faculty members take on leadership roles outside of the Department – **Emanuel Adler** is the Andrea and Charles Bronfman

Chair in Israeli Studies, a position he has held since 2001; **Ronald Deibert** is Director of the Citizen Lab; **Dickson Eyoh** is Director of African Studies; **Randall Hansen** serves as the Director of the Centre for European, Russian and Eurasia Studies (CERES); **Paul Kingston** is the Director of the Centre for Critical Development Studies; **Jeffrey Kopstein** is Director of the Centre for Jewish Studies; **Paul Magocsi** is the Chair of Ukrainian Studies; **Janice Stein** is Director of the Munk School of Global Affairs, and **Wendy Wong** has been appointed as Director of the Trudeau Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies and the Program in Peace, Conflict and Justice.

Work-Study Program

This past academic year, the Department was fortunate to have three wonderful work-study students assisting with various projects and we would like to thank them for their remarkable contributions – **Geran Collymore** (Alumni Research Assistant), **Maria Montemayor** (Graphic Designer and Assistant Editor), and **Koen Yi** (Political Science Alumni Association Assistant).

Undergraduate Program

By Antoinette Handley

For the last two years, I have had the privilege of serving as the Director of Undergraduate Studies. This experience has transformed my view of what we collectively do here in the University and has given me the opportunity to meet many of our amazing students. I had, of course, always known that we were a large department, but until I took on this role, I did not appreciate exactly what that meant: In any one year, the Department offers the equivalent of around 70 year-long courses and will place almost 2,000 students in something like 7,000 individual course enrolments. As you might imagine, all of this keeps the Undergraduate Office very busy! Managing the needs of all our students, attending to their progress through the program from their first day on campus all the way through to graduation, and taking care of the small details related to undergraduate teaching is part of the work that goes on every day in the suite of offices that collectively make up the Undergraduate Office.

While many people may think of our courses as narrowly focusing on a set of academic political science

debates, our courses actually equip students to enter a wide range of careers and roles – from law to international development, to policy making and business. Take for example the six outstanding students who were recognized for their academic excellence at a luncheon on March 11, 2013 at the Faculty Club. Despite their shared connection to the Department, these six students' interests in political science are as unique as their personalities – **Abdi Aidid** is interested in social policy, international law (especially trade and investment law) and development; **Laura Correa Ochoa** is investigating the conceptual and practical link between transitional justice and neoliberalism, looking closely at the Colombian experience; **Felix Cowan's** interests revolve around political economy, particularly of development, with interest in international relations and current affairs; **Alexandra Robertson** is interested in the intersections of international relations and political theory; **Greg Sheppard** is honoured that his passion and dedication for political science is being recognized, and **Spiros Vavougious's** work



Antoinette Handley and Louis Pauly with Abdi Aidid, Laura Correa Ochoa, Felix Cowan, Alexandra Robertson, Greg Sheppard and Spiros Vavougious

has gravitated toward courses that examine structural inequalities and the unequal distribution of power, and the implications these interrelated processes have for marginalized communities.

I invite you to visit us on the west wing of Sid Smith's third floor. Many of you will already have met our wonderful staff – **Liz Jagdeo** heads up our Undergraduate Office, ably assisted by **Julia Chou**. They do fantastic work in keeping our whole undergraduate program running smoothly. We love getting to know our students and alumni personally; that feedback critically informs our collective efforts to constantly improve our course offerings and to work, together with my fellow faculty, in making our program the very best it can be.

Graduate Program

By Steven Bernstein

It's a great privilege to be Graduate Director in Canada's premiere political science department. As a colleague and former holder of the position said to me shortly after I took on this role, "There is no more important thing we do as academics than train and support the next generation of scholars." That ethos and the examples of distinguished faculty who have held this position, including my immediate predecessors, **Simone Chambers**, **Grace Skogstad** and **Ron-**



ald Beiner, guide what we do in the grad office and set the bar appropriately high for what our programs aim to deliver.

Along with **Courtney Jung** who oversees the MA program and our exceptional staff – **Carolynn Branton** and **Louis Tentsos** – the Graduate Director's job is to deliver the best possible academic experience and serve the needs of our PhD and MA students from the time they apply to graduation. We recruit students and oversee admissions, advise them on structuring their academic program, monitor their progress, ensure they have access to internal and external funding and assist them in getting it, advocate for students individually and collectively, help them navigate the thesis writing and defense processes, and work with the placement coordinators to pre-

pare students for the academic job market. On that front, our graduates do exceptionally, filling the ranks of political science departments and related programs at virtually every major Canadian university and at universities around the world, including Oxford and Yale. Of course, graduate studies is also hard work and full of challenges. We're here to help.

My greatest pleasure since arriving has been meeting all incoming PhD students individually as well as those entering the dissertation stage of their programs – times when completing a doctorate may seem an eternity away. Acting as even a small span of the bridge between intellectual talent and the excellent research graduate students produce by the time they finish their PhD is a privilege indeed.

Celebrating Faculty and Students

Faculty

Ryan Balot was appointed Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair for one year effective July 1, 2013, while Louis Pauly is on administrative leave. **David Cameron** was appointed Interim Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science, effective May 21, 2013. **Ronald Deibert** received the prestigious Order of Ontario for his research on internet censorship and surveillance. **Lee Ann Fujii** received 12-month prestigious Fellowships at the Russell Sage Foundation in New York and the Ford Foundation for 2013-14. **Abbas Gnamo** was appointed to the rank of Sessional Lecturer III in the Department. **Ruth Marshall** received a 12-month Chancellor Jackman Research Fellowship in the Humanities. **Joseph Wong** received the Faculty of Arts and Science 2012-13 Outstanding Teaching Award. And the following faculty members received SSHRC Insight grant funding: **Harald Bathelt** – *Global cluster networks: Cross-regional linkages and knowledge flows from Canadian-Chinese foreign direct investment*; **Jacques Bertrand** – *Resource booms and the politics of inequality in rising democracies*; **Lee Ann Fujii** – *Killing stage: Scenes of atrocity from Bosnia, Rwanda and the United States*; **Matthew Hoffman** and **Steven Bernstein** – *Transformative policy pathways toward decarbonisation*; **David**

Rayside (Principal Investigator: Momin Rahman, Trent University) – *Muslims and queer visibility in Canada and the United States*.

Graduate

Beth Jean Evans is the recipient of a 2013 Teaching Assistants' Training Program's Teaching Excellence Award. Political Science alumnus, **Andrew Preston**, won the Charles Taylor Prize for his book, *Sword of the Spirit, Shield of Faith: Religion in American War and Diplomacy*. **Lahoma Thomas** was awarded a Weston Fellowship. **Clifton van der Linden** is the 2013 Clarkson Laureate in public service.

Undergraduate

Victor Choi and **Jordan Ouellette** are winners of the 2013 University of Toronto Excellence Award. **Laura Correa Ochoa** was named a University of Toronto Alumni Association Scholar. Sixteen Political Science undergraduates were recipients of the 2013 Gordon Cressy Student Leadership Award. Congratulations to **Jake Lee Brockman**, **Amandeep Chohan**, **Benjamin Dionne**, **Nicolas Esper**, **Nichol John Gurlay**, **Matthew D.H. Gray**, **Madeline Green**, **David Holysh**, **Aysegul Karakucuk**, **Khalid Mahdi**, **Ali Reza Malik-Noor**, **Christopher James Mastropietro**, **Taryn McKenzie-Mohr**, **Najva Mohammad Amin**, **Sarah Munawar** and **Ejona Xega**.

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(L to R) Mark Blyth, Victor Harding and Louis Pauly

cial crisis is in fact a banking crisis.

Blyth claims that the arguments for austerity are tenuous at best and the evidence for its success is weak. We have seen during the last four years that instead of expanding the economy, austerity measures have led to lower growth and increased income inequality. There are examples from history which support such ideas. Austerity policies worsened the Great Depression, and were partially responsible for the Second World War by creating the conditions that enabled the Nazis and the Japanese military to seize power. Blyth also points out that the process is politically unsound since austerity requires those who are not responsible to clean up the disasters. Finally, Blyth notes that austerity serves to prop up dead economic philosophies and preserve a skewed distribution of wealth and income instead of restoring general prosperity.

The C. Malim Harding Lecture is sponsored by the C. Malim Harding Lectureship Fund and Victor Harding, and co-sponsored by the Departments of Political Science, Economics, and the Munk School of Global Affairs.

Aakash Singh

Aakash is the Director and co-Founder of the International Research Network on Religion and Democracy. His visiting professorship in the Department of Political Science was made possible through an existing relationship between the University of Toronto and the Indian Council of Cultural Relations. Faculty members from within the Department were instrumental in securing Aakash's visit to Toronto. In spring 2013, Aakash taught a seminar course to senior undergraduates and graduate students on *Comparative Polit-*



Aakash with his daughters, Amaya and Shaira

ical Theory: Engaging South Asian Thought in an Era of Globalization. Aakash has been extremely pleased by the quality of the student body, the interest they show in the material, their attentive presence and their critical spirit. The feedback from the course was excellent.

Celebrating one phase and moving on to the next!



At the 5th Graduating Students Reception on April 11, 2013, Chair Louis Pauly, Undergraduate Director Antoinette Handley, and PSAA Chair Anthony Fernando provided their perspectives of what it means to graduate with a Political Science degree from the University of Toronto. They emphasized to students that it is not about leaving the Department, rather joining a family, and despite the roads they take, they will find continuing value in the experiences and friendships they made within the Department.



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