

# POLITICAL SCIENCE WEEKLY DIGEST

## FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2016

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### POLITICAL SCIENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO REGAN BURLES, PhD STUDENT

Regan recently published an article in *Security Dialogue* entitled “Exception and governmentality in the critique of sovereignty”.

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### UVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### LEARNING AND TEACHING CENTRE: LET’S TALK ABOUT TEACHING

**Wednesday, August 31 and Thursday, September 1, HHB**

Two days of conversations, networking and concurrent sessions led by award-winning UVic teachers and Learning and Teaching Centre staff for all faculty, instructors and lecturers at UVic. More information at <https://www.uvic.ca/learningandteaching/faculty/professional/workshops/ltat/index.php>.

#### LEARNING AND TEACHING CENTRE: FACULTY INSTITUTE OF TEACHING

**Monday, August 15 – Friday, August 19, HHB 128**

The Faculty Institute of Teaching (FIT), formerly known as Intensive Summer Teaching Institute (ISTI), provides the opportunity for faculty to enhance their skills in lecturing, teaching and learning strategies, syllabus construction, grading student performance, and teaching dossier preparation. The intent is to make a real difference in how faculty approach teaching, to save time in teaching preparations, to achieve learning outcomes, and above all to put faculty in a position to assume their UVic teaching responsibilities with increased competence and confidence.

FIT is composed of two separate but linked components:

- (1) Faculty Institute of Teaching (FIT) Summer or Fall
- (2) Faculty Institute of Teaching (FIT) 2

To accommodate many different schedules, FIT is offered twice a year: once in a 5-day, condensed format during August (approximately 30 in-class hours), and again for three hours per week for ten weeks (also 30 hours) from September to December. Priority is given to instructors in their first year of teaching at UVic, but all faculty (regular, teaching and research stream) are encouraged to participate. FIT is also open to other UVic instructors, including sessionals as space permits.

FIT 2, the second component of FIT, addresses the question: how do we know and show that our teaching is helping students learn? FIT 2 will concentrate on three mechanisms to attain answers to this question: scholarly research, teaching observations, and a teaching dossier that promotes an evidence-based approach. FIT 2 will be offered for ten weeks (also 30 hours), three hours per week, from January to April. More information at

<https://www.uvic.ca/learningandteaching/faculty/professional/workshops/fit/index.php>.

#### TECHNOLOGY AND INTEGRATED LEARNING: AUGUST COURSES

Technology Integrated Learning is offering workshops and additional drop-ins in August. Learn or refresh the basics of CourseSpaces in preparation for the Fall semester. Enhance your learning environment with tips for managing large classes in CourseSpaces. Upgrade your Online Academic Community site with the highly-customizable Divi Theme. Bring your questions and receive one-to-one support during extra drop-in hours. Please check out our Workshop webpage for schedules (<http://www.uvic.ca/til/services/home/workshops/index.php>) and workshop descriptions. Registration for these workshops is available at the TIL Connect site (<https://connect.uvic.ca/sites/vpac/dtil/workshops/SitePages/Home.aspx>). More info at [tilhelp@uvic.ca](mailto:tilhelp@uvic.ca)

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