



# POLITICAL SCIENCE WEEKLY DIGEST

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2017

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### POLITICAL SCIENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### POLITICAL SCIENCE HOLIDAY PARTY!!



**Monday, December 4, 4:30 pm, Fireside Lounge**

Enjoy some festive cheer with colleagues and friends. There will be appetizers and a cash bar. RSVP to Rosemary, [poliao@uvic.ca](mailto:poliao@uvic.ca) by **Monday, November 27**.

#### “MASCULINDIAN 2.0: THE ROOTS AND RESURGENCE OF MOWHAWK MANHOOD”

Taiaiake Alfred, IGOV

**Wednesday, November 29, 2:30-4, TEF 170**

The Pacific Centre for Technology and Culture and CTheory are pleased to announce a new symposium series, VECTORS. The series will celebrate UVic as a global leading edge of the critically engaged intellectual imagination. Here, issues key to the 21st century future—pipeline politics, indigenous resurgence, robotics in the age of AI, and new perspectives on the three ecologies of environment, consciousness and society—will be creatively explored in all their urgency and complexity.

#### PENINSULA JOURNAL: CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

**Deadline: Thursday, November 30**

*Peninsula: A Journal of Relational Politics* is a journal of political theory open to a broad range of methodological, philosophical, and disciplinary perspectives. Our area of focus is *politics*; our approach is *critical*; and our perspective is *relational*. *Peninsula* invites submissions for its upcoming issue *Field Notes*, that explores the politics of the ‘field’ and ‘fieldwork.’ Submissions should not exceed 8000 words in length. Artistic works will be considered in whatever form in which they are submitted, provided that they conform to our ability to publish them online. Before submission, please be familiar with the focus and scope of the journal as well as its guidelines for authors. More info is available at <https://journals.uvic.ca/index.php/peninsula/announcement/view/289>. Please send submissions to: [pjrp@uvic.ca](mailto:pjrp@uvic.ca).

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### UVic ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### TRANSGENDER ARCHIVES: SYRUS MARCUS WARE

**Tuesday, November 28, 12:30-1:30 pm, McPherson Library A003**

Syrus Marcus Ware is a Vanier Scholar, visual artist, activist, curator and educator. Syrus uses painting, installation and performance to explore social justice frameworks and black activist culture. He is a facilitator/designer at The Banff Centre, and for 12 years was the Coordinator of the Art Gallery of Ontario Youth Program. Syrus is the inaugural Daniel’s Spectrum Artist-in-Residence (2016/17) and is also a core-team member of Black Lives Matter- Toronto.

## **MOVING TRANS HISTORY FORWARD 2018 CONFERENCE MARCH 22-25, 2018: CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

**Deadline: Sunday, November 26**

Conference theme: "From Generation to Generation"

Our conference is called Moving Trans History Forward in order to highlight both the history of trans, gender non-binary, and Two-Spirit activists and researchers, and how today's activists and researchers are moving that work forward. We invite trans, gender non-binary, and Two-Spirit activists, community-based and academic scholars, students, family members, service providers, and other allies to submit proposals for presentations, panels, posters, workshops, and creative works for the upcoming Moving Trans History Forward conference (#MTHF18). The conference, March 22nd-25th, 2018, is presented by the Chair in Transgender Studies at the University of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, which is on the traditional territory of the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSÁNEĆ peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.

While the theme of the conference is "From Generation to Generation," we welcome proposals concerning any aspect of trans, gender non-binary, and Two-Spirit people and communities. We especially encourage submissions on topics related to the histories and voices of Indigenous, racialized, and disabled trans, gender non-binary, and Two-Spirit people. Submissions from all perspectives and pertaining to all eras and regions of the world are welcome. Please limit your proposals to unpublished material. The language of the conference is plain English. More information at

<https://www.uvic.ca/mthf2018/>

### **CITY TALKS: THE POLITICAL LIFE OF URBAN STREETSCAPES**

**"Space of Passions: Populism and the Politics of "Us" in the Urban Streetscapes of Europe"**

**Thursday, November 30, doors at 7 pm, lecture starts at 7:30 pm, Legacy Art Gallery**

Emilia Palonen, Senior Lecturer, Department of Political Science and Economic Studies, University of Helsinki

Urban space is not a static object but is rather continuously being transformed both materially and symbolically. The production of commemorative landscapes in the form of monuments, memorials, and street names plays a key role in transforming everyday urban streetscapes into a political space of popular passions. Political conflicts over urban commemorative spaces underscore how "space" and conceptions of "the people" are co-constituted, since the very notion of "the people" is not a steady and pre-existing reference point but always needs to be made visible and tangible in relation to particular spaces. As political theorist Ernesto Laclau suggests, generating tangible nodal points in the city often operates according to a dichotomous populist logic. Drawing upon the experiences of European cities such as Budapest, London, and the European Union's Capitals of Culture programme, this presentation will examine how both localism and Europeanism, as well as right-wing populist nationalism and liberal metropolitanism, find their expression in the urban environment. The lack of European reference points—visible in the Brexit vote for the British and the anti-EU campaigns in Hungary—is tied to the dominance of the local and national in the cityscape. Nevertheless, there are many ways in which "Europe" and "Europeans" do appear in urban memorials and street names. Yet what does the future hold for the "Us" of Europe and how will this be enacted in the streetscapes of European cities?

Emilia Palonen is a Senior Lecturer in Political Science at the University of Helsinki. She has published widely on populism and commemoration in Hungary and the history of Budapest as well as engaging with Fidesz politics of marking spaces in Budapest, architecture, and nationalism. She has worked on Academy of Finland projects focusing on transnational Hungarian left-wing intellectuals and on populism. Her background is in urban and area studies and poststructuralist theory, and she has worked as a Lecturer in Cultural Policy Studies and Political Science, specializing in Public Administration and Organization Studies.

Free Public Event. Organized by the UVic Committee for Urban Studies. Co-Sponsored by the European Union Centre of Excellence, Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Geography, Department of History, Department of Anthropology, and the Cultural, Social, and Political Thought (CSPT) Program. This is a free public event at the Legacy Art Gallery 630 Yates Street. For more info, please visit [www.thecitytalks.ca](http://www.thecitytalks.ca).

### **CAPI CROSSING BORDERS INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

The Crossing Borders Program, developed by the Centre for Asia Pacific Initiatives (CAPI) is part of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarships (QES) program. CAPI is offering five **\$6,000 CAD scholarships** per year (from 2015-2018) for Canadian, UVic graduate-level students. Placements include a pre-departure orientation, 3-6 months overseas research project and community engagement activities. The scholarship offers a unique opportunity for graduate students to receive financial and institutional support for the pursuit of research or field-work projects in a Commonwealth country, with preference given to the Asia-Pacific region. Scholars will be expected to identify a partner organization (research institution, university or civil society organization) in a Commonwealth country in advance of their application for the scholarship. Scholars will work closely with their academic advisor and CAPI, engage extensively in our existing research environment (through conferences, presentations, graduate students symposia, and workshops) and contribute to the growing Canada-wide community of QE scholars. More information at <https://www.uvic.ca/research/centres/capi/intern-scholar/home/internships/cb-internships/index.php>.

### **PROVOST'S ENGAGED SCHOLAR AWARD**

**Deadline: Friday, December 8**

UVic has a long history and reputation of excellence in community engagement, both in Canada and abroad. It has made a strong commitment to community-university engagement initiatives through its research, academic and external relations programs. The title, *Provost's Engaged Scholar*, will be awarded to tenured members of faculty who have achieved great distinction as a community engaged scholar. This is a call for nominations and this year up to two recipients will receive a one-time award of \$10,000 at the beginning of their 5 year term to support their community engaged research and teaching. Info at <https://www.uvic.ca/vpacademic/news/current/2017-18callforprovostsengagedscholarawardnominations.php>

### **LEARNING AND TEACHING CENTRE GRANTS AND AWARDS INFO**

#### **TLC – Strategic Initiative Indigenous (SI-I) Grant**

**Application deadline: Thursday, January 4**

Strategic Initiative - Indigenous grants are intended to support faculty and staff to substantially revise programs, courses, curricula or learning resources that will help support UVic's commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. These grants are focused on improving or enhancing understanding of Indigenous ways of knowing and being, deconstructing colonialism and decentering unequal colonial knowledge structures, and promoting reconciliation of power relations between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. Those who are proposing projects aimed at supporting UVic's commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples should consider an SI-I grant. The deadline for the new SI-I grant applications is January 4th, 2018. More info at <https://www.uvic.ca/learningandteaching/faculty/grants/learning/index.php#acc-strategic-initiative-indigenous-si>

#### **TLC – Strategic Initiative Learning Without Borders (SI-LWB) Grant**

**Application deadline: Thursday, January 4**

Strategic Initiative-Learning Without Borders grants are intended to encourage members of the

university community to substantially update and renew existing courses and programs to reflect principles of internationalization. Projects designed to improve or enhance student learning or to fill a gap in curriculum or to enrich and strengthen global mindedness in teaching are encouraged. Those who are proposing projects aimed at supporting UVic's commitment to internationalization should consider an SI-LWB grant. The deadline for the new SI-LWB grant applications is January 4th, 2018. More info at <https://www.uvic.ca/learningandteaching/faculty/grants/learning/index.php#acc-strategic-initiative-indigenous-si>.

### **2018 UVic Teaching Awards – Call for Nominations**

**Nomination deadline: Wednesday, January 31**

The call for nominations for the 2018 UVic Teaching Awards is now open. The deadline for nominations is January 31st, 2018. More info at

<https://www.uvic.ca/learningandteaching/faculty/grants/teaching/index.php>

- Harry Hickman Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching and Educational Leadership (Regular Faculty)
- Gilian Sherwin Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching (Sessional or Lab Instructor)
- Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Supervision and Mentorship
- Award for Excellence in Teaching for Experiential Learning
- Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research-inspired Teaching

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