POLITICAL SCIENCE WEEKLY DIGEST
FRIDAY, February 8, 2019

POLITICAL SCIENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

POLI ALUMNI NETWORK PUB NIGHT
“Populism and the Migration Crisis: A Panel Discussion”
Wednesday, February 13, 5:30 pm, Maple Room Sticky Wicket Pub, 919 Douglas St.
Ticket Cost: $12 in advance | Includes one drink ticket and entry to prize draws
Registration: [https://extrweb.uvic.ca/poli-panel-migration-and-rising-populism](https://extrweb.uvic.ca/poli-panel-migration-and-rising-populism)
The panel discussion will feature Michelle Bonner, Oliver Schmidtke and Feng Xu.
Populist movements around the globe are gaining ground, often in response to migration movements. In numerous countries, these movements are stoking anti-immigrant sentiment, calling for harsher border control policies and reducing international obligations toward migrants and refugees. This event explores the rise of populist movements in Europe, Asia, and Latin America and its implications for host and sending countries. Join fellow UVic alumni and friends for light refreshments, networking and thought-provoking dialogue.

POLI SPEAKERS SERIES: “WOMEN AS FOREIGN POLICY LEADERS”
Dr. Sylvia Bashevkin, FRSC, Professor of Political Science, University of Toronto
Friday, February 15, 2019, 1-3 pm, MacLaurin D116
What do we know about women’s participation as decision-makers in international affairs? Is it fair to assume, as many observers do, that female elites will mirror the relatively pacifist preferences of women in the general public as well as the claims of progressive feminist movements? By focusing on women’s presence in senior national security positions in the American political executive, Women as Foreign Policy Leaders offers among the first systematic responses to these questions. It examines four high-profile appointees in the United States since 1980: Jeane Kirkpatrick during the Reagan years, Madeleine Albright in the Clinton era, Condoleezza Rice during the George W. Bush presidencies, and Hillary Rodham Clinton in the first Obama mandate. The track records of these four women reveal not just a consistent willingness to pursue muscular, aggressive approaches to international relations, but also widely divergent views about feminism. Women as Foreign Policy Leaders shows how Kirkpatrick, Albright, Rice, and Clinton staked out their presence on the international scene and provided a crucial antidote to the silencing of women’s voices in global politics.

UVic ANNOUNCEMENTS

VICTORIA COLLOQUIUM: “It’s Too Late for Indigenous Justice: Problems with Urgency in Climate Change Advocacy”
Dr. Kyle Whyte, Michigan State U
Friday, February 8, 2:30 pm, Fraser 152
Climate change activism and scientific assessments often emphasize that humans must grasp the urgency of taking swift and decisive actions to address an environmental crisis. Yet many such conceptions of urgency obscure the factors that Indigenous peoples have called out as the most pressing concerns about climate justice. This obfuscation explains, in part, why climate change advocacy remains largely unrelated to Indigenous efforts to achieve justice and engage in decolonial actions. I will show why a politics of urgency can be based in assumptions about the relationship among time (temporality) and environmental change that are antithetical to allyship with Indigenous peoples. I will contrast the temporality of urgency with some Indigenous traditions of temporality that center moral qualities of kinship relationships, such as consent, trust and reciprocity, and suggest that such Indigenous traditions articulate crucial conditions for climate justice, moving forward.

CFGS: “SAUDI ARABIA: INSIDE A KINGDOM IN CRISIS”
Dennis Horak, Former Canadian Ambassador to Saudi Arabia
Tuesday, February 19, 3-4:30 pm, DSB C118
Ambassador Horak served as Canada’s Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Oman, Bahrain, and Yemen from 2015 until he was declared persona non grata and expelled from Saudi Arabia on August 5, 2018 after the Government of Canada sent out a tweet calling for the immediate release of two Saudi activists. In collaboration with the Canadian International Council Victoria Branch and the UVic Middle East Discussion Group.

RESEARCH REELS CALL FOR ENTRY
Deadline: Wednesday, February 20
Do you have a passion for storytelling? Are you interested in the film industry? If so, we have an opportunity for you! This March is the third annual juried Research Reels video contest. You can submit a short video (30 seconds – 3 minutes) of research happening on campus to the Research Reels website – and, if selected as a finalist, you will have your piece screened at Cinecenta in front of an audience at Ideafest March 5, 2019!
Some great reasons to enter:
• FAME: Shortlisted videos are shared widely on UVic's main social media channels. A couple of last years' winners have had spin-off media success due to this contest.
• SKILLS: Build your skills telling your research story using the hottest medium around, video!
• CASH: Great cash prizes. Top prize for Feature category is $1,250. Total prize payout $4,000.
More info at https://www.uvic.ca/info/researchreels/index.php Questions? E-mail bdoman@uvic.ca.

CSPT Colloquium: Eat, Drink, Talk and Think!
Thursday, February 28, 6 pm, CLE B215
Submission deadline: Thursday, February 21
Please send proposals of no more than 250 words to csptcolloquium@gmail.com, giving a brief summary of your proposed presentation and a title. We look forward to your submissions and to eating, drinking, talking, and thinking together.

CFGS STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST
Deadline: Friday, March 1
With the beginning of the Spring 2019 semester right around the corner, I wanted to remind you all of our annual student essay contest. This year we have partnered with the Canadian International Council, Royal Roads University, Vancouver Island University, and Camosun College to offer cash prizes to the top three research papers (adjudicated by a committee comprised of representatives from all the sponsoring institutions). The top prize winner receives $1000, the chance to
be published on the CIC national website, and the opportunity to give a public lecture as part of the CFGS Global Talk Series. This year’s research question is “What are Canada’s Interests and Values? What is our Future Role and Presence in the World?” with possible topics including (but not limited to) populism, migration, human rights, security, emerging technologies, and protection. Students may submit papers that were previously (or are currently being) submitted for academic credit. If you are teaching a class on a related topic, or know of such a class being offered within your department, please encourage your students to submit their essays for consideration! Papers from senior level undergraduate students and graduate students from ALL FACULTIES are eligible. Questions? Contact cfgs@uvic.ca.

EUS RESEARCH GRANTS
Deadline: Friday, March 15
The European Studies program (EUS) provides grants to graduate and undergraduate students via the Jean Monnet EU Centre of Excellence (EUCE). For the past several years, students have been conducting field research in Europe and/or participating in experiential learning programs such as the EU Study Tour (EUS 390) thanks to the grant funding available through the EUCE. The Jean Monnet EU Centre of Excellence funds students and post-doctoral student fieldwork and conference attendance in Europe on EU integration topics. Each year (2017, 2018, 2019) there are up to nine (9) graduate student grants and six (6) EU Study Tour grants available. Students receiving the graduate student grants must present their research upon returning to UVic. More information at https://www.uvic.ca/interdisciplinary/europe/travel-and-learn/grants/index.php. Questions? eusprog@uvic.ca.

EXTERNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERNATIONAL METROPOLIS CONFERENCE, OTTAWA JUNE 24-28, 2019
Deadline for submission: Friday, February 15
Registration for the International Metropolis Conference 2019 is now open. The conference theme is The Promise of Migration: Inclusion, Economic Growth and Global Cooperation, and you will find full details within the attached call for proposals. We encourage you to register as early as possible as the month of June is a peak tourist season which may affect the availability for your accommodation. In addition, registering early will allow you to take full advantage of the discounts offered and ensure for you a place at the Conference. More info: www.internationalmetropolis2019.ca

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