Political Science News and Notes
April and May 2014

Departmental Events:

4/1/14-Professor Fogarty presented on “Partisan Media Bias and its Implications” at the Political Science Academy at St. Louis Public Library-Natural Bridge Rd.

4/24/14-Professor Robertson and Professor Kimball organized a workshop for the Scholars Strategy Network on publicizing research findings to a mass audience (through social media, op-eds, the traditional press, or other strategies).

4/28/14-Rob Russell (Political Science and Labor Studies) and Grant Black (Economics) presented on “Should We Raise the Minimum Wage” at the Political Science Academy at the home of Professors Jalalzai and Hankinson.

5/2/14-The Department had a Retirement Open House and Reception for Nancy Kinney and Andy Glassberg at Tavern of Fine Arts.

5/16/14-The Department held its annual Alumni and Awards Reception at the home of Terry Jones. Jean Cavender, the Executive Director of the St. Louis Holocaust Museum and Learning Center (BA 1986 and 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient) was the featured speaker. Our 2014 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients were: Judge Jack L. Vasquez, Jr. Deputy Director U.S. EEOC, St. Louis District Office (BA 1974) and Patricia K. Susi - Attorney at LAW-CURTIS, HEINZ, GARRETT & O’KEEFE (BA 1995).

Faculty Publications:

4/24/14-Professor. Fogarty co-authored an article in the current issue of Social Science Research on media count data: http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0049089X13001695

Faculty in the Media


4/27/14-Professor Thomas was on Calgary's 'Kingkade and Kelly Show' discussing the US and Canada middle class.
5/13/14-Professor Jalalzai wrote a piece for the *Washington Post*‘s blog, the Monkey Cage, reflecting on a potential Hillary Clinton presidential candidacy


5/29/14-Professor Swanstrom appeared on the Nine Network's “Stay Tuned” program talking about the rise of suburban poverty and what to do about it.

5/30/14-Professor Jones was a guest on KWMU’s “St. Louis on the Air” on a show about the 2014 Missouri General Assembly (St. Louis Public Radio).

5/30/14-Professor Jalalzai discussed women in politics on “St. Louis on the Air” (St. Louis Public Radio)


**Faculty Grants:**

Professor Udani and Professor Kimball won a CAS Research Grant and a Research Board Grant for a project studying perceptions of voter fraud.

Professor Fogarty received a grant from the C-SPAN Education Foundation to work on Supreme Court Justices’ appearances on C-SPAN and national media coverage.

**Conference Presentations/Talks:**

4/3/14-Professor Jalalzai presented a paper on women presidential candidates of Latin America at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois.

4/4/14 Professor Swanstrom presented a paper with Hank Webber (Washington U.) on "Rebound Neighborhoods in the St. Louis Region" to the National Neighborhoods Indicators Partnership (NNIP) meeting in St. Louis.

4/25/2014-Professor Iyob presented a paper on the African diaspora in India at Johns Hopkins University's Center for Africana Studies

**Undergraduate Student News:**

5/1/14 PS minor Hagen Montano received a CAS undergraduate research grant. His mentor is Professor Fogarty.
Graduate Student News:

May-Todd Combs received his Ph.D. in Political Science

May-Laura Weidlocher received her Ph.D. in Political Science

Young Im Lee received the Hanes Walton, Jr. Award for Quantitative Methods Training to attend the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Pat Gouzien received the John Garcia Scholarship to attend the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Pat Gouzien was selected as a TA during the 1st session of ICPSR this summer at University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Young Im Lee, Leesa Althen, and Steven Mucci received dissertation grants from the Department of Political Science.

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Compiled by Professor Jalalzai. Draft Revised on June 6, 2014. News and notes collected from the previous two months. Faculty and students- If you have an academic accomplishment you would like to share, please email Professor Jalalzai at jalalzaif@umsl.edu and copy Professor Fogarty at fogartyb@umsl.edu to place on our twitter feed and homepage.