

Thought for the week: "Let him beware of him in whom reason has become the greatest and most terrible of the passions."
-- biologist J. B. S. Haldane

Articles & Achievements

Evelyn Simien received the American Association of University Professors' Excellence in Teaching Promise Award. This is the second teaching award Evelyn has received in two years.

Yazmin Garcia Trejo has won a Summer Research Fellowship from the Roper Center.

Malia Bajpai won a grant from the UConn Human Rights Institute. The grant will help fund a series of interviews in an ongoing research project that addresses the problems in the current normative literature on human rights norms integration and domestic policy.

Events This Week

■ **Monday, April 2:** Andrew Kimbrell will give an address, "The Politics of Food," at **12:00 PM** in Konover Auditorium in the Dodd Center.

■ **Thursday, April 5:** Morris Fiorina will deliver a lecture, "The Present Disconnect in American Politics," at 12:15 PM in HRM 119.

Morris Fiorina to Lecture on Thursday

On **Thursday, April 5, 2007**, Morris Fiorina will deliver a lecture, "The Present Disconnect in American Politics," at **12:15 PM** in HRM 119.

Fiorina is a senior fellow at the Hoover Institution and the Wendt Family Professor of Political Science at Stanford University. He has also taught at Harvard University and the California Institute of Technology. His research focuses on legislative and electoral processes with particular emphasis on the ways in which political institutions and procedures facilitate or distort the representation of citizen preferences.

Fiorina is the author of many journal articles and book chapters. His most recent book, *Culture War: The Myth of a Polarized America*, was coauthored with Samuel J. Abrams and Jeremy C. Pope and was published by Pearson Longman in 2005. His earlier work includes *The New American Democracy* (Allyn &

Bacon, 1998), *Home Style and Washington Work*, coedited with David Rohde (University of Michigan Press, 1989), *The Personal Vote: Constituency Service and Electoral Independence*, coauthored with Bruce Cain and John Ferejohn (Harvard University Press, 1987), and he was coeditor of *Continuity and Change in House Elections* (Stanford University Press and Hoover Press, 2000). His articles have appeared in numerous journals including the *American Political Science Review*, *Political Behavior*, the *British Journal of Political Science*, *Governance*, and many others. Professor Fiorina currently serves on the editorial boards of multiple journals, including *American Political Research*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Congress and the Presidency*, *Journal of Law*, and *Economics and Organization*.

He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the



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American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Fiorina was chairman of the Board of Overseers of the American National Election Studies from 1986-1990.

Professor Fiorina received his B.A. degree from Allegheny College and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Rochester.

Alumnus Update

Robert S. Kravchuk (BA 1977) has become chair of the Political Science Department at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He previously taught at Indiana University.

Andrew Kimbrell to Speak on Food and Politics

On Monday, **April 2, 2007**, the departments of Plant Science, Nutritional Science, Political Science, CANR Research and Advanced Studies, and the Vice Provost for Research and Graduate Education will cosponsor a lecture, "The Politics of Food," by Mr. Andrew Kimbrell, Executive Director of the Center for Food Safety, at **12:00 PM** in **Konover Auditorium** in the Dodd Center.

Kimbrell's lecture deals with the historic struggle over the future of food. He claims that on one side is the industrial model based on high chemical inputs, monocultures, and, more recently, genetic engineering -- on the other side is what has been called the "organic and beyond"

model. Kimbrell will explore the new politics of food and how it affects each of us. Specifically, he will address which model will determine future consumption patterns.

Kimbrell is a public interest attorney and activist. He has been involved in public interest legal activity in numerous areas of technology, human health and the environment. He has been Policy Director at the Foundation for Economic Trends, and established the International Center for Technology Assessment and the Center for Food Safety. He has written several books including *Your Right to Know*, and given numerous public lectures on a variety of issues. He has been



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featured on radio and television programs across the country. He has lectured at dozens of universities and has testified before congressional and regulatory hearings. In 1994, the *Utne Reader* named Kimbrell as one of the world's leading 100 visionaries.

Taub Center Holds Grad Workshop

The Taub Center for Israel Studies at New York University is hosting a graduate workshop on Friday, **April 13, 2007** from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Kimmel Center, 60 Washington Square South, Room 903. The Taub Center researches modern Israel, its recent history, as well as aspects of its social and political life.

The workshop will feature Anita Shapira from Tel Aviv

University delivering a lecture, "Hebrew Literature and the Creation of the Zionist Narrative Before 1914." Yfaat Weiss from Haifa University will deliver a talk, "A Real Estate of the Mind: a Palestinian Neighborhood in the Jewish State." Refreshments will be served. To RSVP, email fas.taubcenter@nyu.edu. For more information about the Taub Center, visit www.nyu.edu/fas/center/taub/

Honor Society Inducts New Members

The honor society, Phi Kappa Phi, has inducted its newest members, including several political science students. **Julia Thomson** (Grad. Student), **Jennifer Banister**, **Michael Brown**, **Margaret Budnik**, **Jessica DelVecchio**, **Jeffrey Ferketic**, **Russell Kimes**, **Christopher Laporte**, **Noelle Rose**, **Adam Tarr**, and **Heather Terluk** were among those inducted.

2006-2007 Political Science Colloquia Calendar

Day/Date	Time	Location	Speaker (affiliation), Title [Outside Event Sponsor, if applicable]
Monday, April 2	12:00 PM	Konover Auditorium	Andrew Kimbrell (Center for Food Safety), "The Politics of Food"
Thursday, April 5	12:15 PM	HRM 119	Morris Fiorina (Stanford University), "The Present Disconnect in American Politics"
Monday, April 9	12:00 PM	HRM 119	Lene Hansen (Copenhagen) "Critical Constructivism, Identity and Foreign Policy Analysis: Theory, Research Design and Methodology"

Schedule is tentative. All information subject to change. For more information, email Michael Morrell at michael.morrell@uconn.edu.