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## **From the Head**

Great things are happening in Political Science! The Department can point with pride to a number of accomplishments and honors among our faculty, students & alumni. While this column can only highlight a few of these achievements, we hope you'll read on to learn what we've been up to.

Two new faculty members, Deborah Carroll and Ian Down, joined the Department this fall and have already distinguished themselves as outstanding teachers and scholars. Their areas of expertise are public administration and comparative politics.

In an effort to meet growing enrollment demand we have added three new instructors this fall – Nikki Giles Mitchell, Shadrack Nasong'o, and Lori Riverstone – bringing our total number of lecturers to 11.

Our continued growth doesn't end there. Two faculty from UT's former Department of Urban and Regional Planning also join us: Ed

Jepson and Bruce Tonn. Both have extensive interests in public policy and related research areas.

In addition to continuing to place our Ph.D. graduates into good teaching positions, recent graduates of our Masters of Public Administration (MPA) program have gone on to exciting careers in the public and non-profit, non-governmental sectors. Meanwhile, current graduate students are presenting the results of their research at national meetings.

We continue to be equally proud of our undergraduates who are involved in enriching internship, mock trial, and study abroad opportunities. You can read about one student's internship experience this past summer (see Eric Harkness' article).

The Department's high-quality research productivity continues to be reflected by the articles and books published by our faculty – often with students. A growing number of honors, special appointments, research sabbaticals, and other forms of recognition

received by our faculty further testify to our growing productivity.

Lastly, much of what we do is made possible through the generosity of alumni and other supporters. I want to extend a special thanks to all of you! Your support makes possible student research, professional travel, outside speakers, and scholarships.

Tell us what you've been up to. Send us your recent news and other activities – we want to hear from you.

- David Feldman

## **Lyons Appointed Knoxville Economic Development Director**

In January, Mayor Bill Haslam appointed Professor Bill Lyons Senior Economic Development Director for the City of Knoxville. Lyons heads the city's Department of Economic Development whose mission is to retain and recruit business to the city and to enhance the climate for the growth of business through "... proactive assistance and marketing while

working in concert with appropriate organizations and individuals.”

The Economic Development Department facilitates activities related to historic preservation, major capital investment projects, and public input for city projects and services, especially downtown.

### **Lipinski Runs for Congress**

Professor Dan Lipinski has been nominated by the Illinois Democratic Party to run for the U.S. House of Representatives this November. If elected, Dan will succeed his father, William Lipinski, as incumbent for the state’s 3rd Congressional District.

‘My heart has always been here. I’ve always wanted to come back,’ Dan said after his nomination. He also stated that, if elected, he would try to retain his father’s seat on the House Transportation Committee and that his other priorities include education and affordable, accessible health care.

“I believe the job of a member of Congress is to fulfill the hopes of the people and to help them achieve their dreams,” he said. We wish Dan all the best as he pursues a dream of his own.

### **Department Welcomes New Faculty**

Welcome to Deborah Carroll and Ian Down who joined the department this fall! Deborah received her Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (2004). Her areas of expertise are public financial management, state and local

taxation, and urban economic development. Dr. Carroll received the 2004 *Emerging Scholars Award* from the Urban Affairs Association; a prize given to a scholar whose work “exemplifies commitment to research on significant urban issues.”

Dr. Down comes to us from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill where he completed his Ph.D. in 2003. His areas of expertise include comparative politics and international relations. He has studied economic restructuring in advanced industrial countries, the role of central banks in economic policy, and regional integration. He also served as a post-doctoral fellow (2004) at the University of California-Davis.

### **New Lecturers Help with Enrollment Growth**

While UT is welcoming one of its largest and most talented crop of freshman this fall, due in part to Tennessee’s new Lottery Scholarships, departmental enrollment continues to increase at *all* levels of undergraduate instruction. Joining our talent-laden staff to help instruct these additional students are: Nikki Giles Mitchell, who received her Ph.D. from our department in 2004; Shadrack Nasong’o, a native of Kenya who received his Ph.D. from Northeastern University in Boston; (2004); and Lori Riverstone, a UT doctoral candidate.

While all three will be teaching our introductory 100-level classes, they will also be responsible for some high-demand upper level courses as well, including American Political Thought, International Relations,

and State and Local Government. Nikki, Lori, and Shadrack share accommodations in newly renovated 1017 McClung Tower – please stop in and welcome them!

### **Folz and Zhong on Professional Leave**

Professors David Folz and Yang Zhong are on professional leave this fall under UT’s new Faculty Professional Development Leave program introduced last winter. The program provides a competitive opportunity for UT faculty to receive teaching sabbaticals for periods of between a semester and a full academic year to pursue research.

Folz is completing a book titled *Managing America’s Small Cities*, and is also carrying out a national survey of small city chief executives and council members. He intends to prepare a prospectus for another book based on information from this survey.

Zhong’s project is entitled: *Political Culture and Participation in the Chinese Countryside*. It explores the penetration of democratic, participatory values among the Chinese peasantry. Zhong is also continuing research on local policymaking and democracy in China and has been traveling this fall in Singapore, China, and Taiwan.

### **Fitzgerald Receives Institute of Public Service Award; Also Heads American Studies**

Professor Michael Fitzgerald has received the UT Institute for Public

Service's *Faculty Excellence Award*. This is the first time the award has been given, and it will be officially bestowed at the Institute's annual meeting in Gatlinburg in September. The Institute's mission is to serve Tennesseans by linking university expertise with community and workplace needs.

Fitzgerald has also been appointed Director of UT's inter-disciplinary program in American Studies beginning this fall.

### **Urban and Regional Planners become "McClung-eons"**

Professors Edward Jepson and Bruce Tonn recently joined the Department. Both were previously affiliated with the Department of Urban and Regional Planning, eliminated as a result of recommendations of a campus-wide *Review and Re-direction Taskforce*.

Jepson and Tonn continue to teach Urban Studies courses, and plans are afoot to offer a revamped Masters of Science in Planning.

Tonn, whose Ph.D (1982) is from Northwestern University is an interdisciplinary scholar whose research embraces energy and environmental policy, future studies, decision-making under uncertainty, and information technology. He has served on peer review panels for the National Science Foundation, EPA, and the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). Tonn is the author of over 80 articles.

Jepson, whose Ph.D. is from Wisconsin (1999), is interested in

sustainable development, economic development, and land use planning. His article, "The Adoption of Sustainable Development Policies and Techniques in U.S. Cities: How Wide, How Deep, and What Role for Planners?" *Journal of Planning Education and Research* (March 2004) was cited by SAGE publications as one of the top ten most downloaded articles in urban studies and planning for 2003-4.

### **Instructor Invited to Non-proliferation Conference**

Will Jennings was invited to participate in the *Teaching Non-Proliferation Institute* at the University of North Carolina-Asheville in mid-June. Faculty from throughout the nation engaged in roundtable discussions with experts in the fields of nuclear terrorism and proliferation. Sponsored by the Ploughshares Fund, the purpose of the institute was to aid faculty from a variety of academic disciplines in developing courses that will expose students to nuclear proliferation-related issues.

### **Gorman to serve as Graduate Coordinator; Houston becomes MPA Coordinator**

Professor Robert Gorman is the new Coordinator of Graduate Studies for the Department, taking over from Professor Yang Zhong who served as Graduate Coordinator for several years and stepped down at the end of Spring semester.

Professor David Houston is the new MPA coordinator for the

Department – taking over from Professor David Folz.

Congratulations to Bob Gorman and David Houston for taking over these important positions – and thanks to Yang Zhong and David Folz for their important and long-standing service in these jobs.

## **STUDENT NEWS**

### **UT Mock Trial Team Brings Home Honors**

Congratulations to members of all three UT Mock Trial teams who participated in a regional tournament in Birmingham, Alabama this winter! The three teams went to Birmingham on January 30 and 31 to participate in a regional Mock Trial tournament.

All three teams placed in the top ten in the competition, with two teams earning a bid to national tournaments in the spring. The team captained by Rocky King came in second place. Elizabeth Lovell's team placed fifth and Sarah Dunn's team came in ninth.

Five students received individual awards. Jeff Brandon and Katie Tweel received "outstanding witness" awards while Sarah Dunn, Elizabeth Lovell, and Rocky King, were given "outstanding attorney" awards. The Political Science Department congratulates all members of UT's Mock Trial teams on their accomplishments in Birmingham. The faculty advisor to UT's Mock Trial chapter is Professor John Scheb.

## Grad Students Present Papers at ISA-Midwest

As this newsletter went to press, two doctoral students - Troy Goodale and Kimberly Douglass – were notified that their proposals to present papers at the *International Studies Association's* Midwest annual meeting had been accepted.

Goodales' paper is titled: "Unilateral Enforcement of the Versailles Treaty: Lessons for Today?"

Douglass is presenting "The Value of Conflict: Post-Materialist Values and Environmental Conflict Resolution." The conference will be held in November in St. Louis.

Graduate students Ole Forsberg and Eric Smith will also be presenting papers at the ISA-Midwest meetings

## Internship News

Joakim Daun is undertaking an internship with Citizens for Global Change in Washington, DC during fall 2004.

## Students Study Abroad this summer

Political Science students Emily Briley, Keith Mars, Sarah Pevey, Chris Tilley, Justin Neal, and Joakim Daun participated in an intensive study abroad program through UT's Center for International Education June 15-July 10, 2004. The theme of this year's Transatlantic Summer Academy (TASA) was "Unilateral America? Multilateral Europe? Managing Divergence in Transatlantic Relations." Students

took part in lectures, seminars, and workshops about the May 2004 enlargement of the European Union and the opportunities and problems it may present for Europe and transatlantic relations.

While based at the University of Bonn, Germany, activities were scheduled at the Reichstag (the German Parliament), the European Parliament, the North Atlantic Alliance, the European Union, and NATO. These excursions enabled TASA students to meet with officials in Brussels, Berlin, and Strasbourg and to travel to Aachen, Dusseldorf, Cologne, Frankfurt am Oder and Lautenbach.

Briley, Mars, Pevey, Tilley and Neal received generous fellowships from UT to help defray the costs of travel, registration, tuition, and board while the McClure Fund provided support for Joakim Daun.

## Spring Banquet Honors Students, Faculty

Several students and faculty were recognized at the Department's annual Pi Sigma Alpha/Political Science honors banquet held on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Calhoun's on-the-river. The annual banquet provides an opportunity for the department to showcase its outstanding students and for students to honor professors who have been instrumental in their success.

The following students were inducted into Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honorary:

Christin D. Cagle  
Jennie Caissie

Joakim Daun  
Deziree Elliott  
Evan Fitts  
Jordan Shields Smith  
Anne Marie Bennett

Undergraduate awards, which carry with them scholarship funds, were awarded as follows:

**Ruth Stephens Scholarship** –  
Keith Brakebill  
Jelena Lazic  
Samantha Powell

**Edgar G. Guenther Scholarship** –  
Troy Weston

**James O. and Minnie Elliot Scholarship** –  
Anne Marie Bennett  
Cara Howe  
Jordan Shields Smith

**Ruth Stephens Award** -  
Matthew Clint Martin

**Arnett A. Elliott Award** -  
Natasha Bingham

**Vernon Iredell Award** -  
Joakim Daun

Drs. James Gilchrist and April Morgan were co-named Pi Sigma Alpha Professor of the Year. Dr. Robert A. Gorman was named PSGSO Professor of the Year. Eric Smith won the David Mock Graduate Teacher of the Year Award

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## Faculty and Student Publications

Mary Caprioli, "Feminist International Relations Theory and Quantitative Methodology: A Critical Analysis," *International Studies Review*, June 2004.

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Mary Caprioli, "Gender Equality and State Aggression: The Impact of Domestic Gender Equality on State First Use of Force," *International Interactions* 29 (3) 2003: 195-214.

Mary Caprioli (with Peter Trumbore), "Identifying Rogue States and Testing Their Interstate Conflict Behavior," *European Journal of International Relations* 9 (3) 2003: 377-406.

Martin Carcieri, "A Twenty First Century Intervention in the Trial of Socrates," *Classical Outlook*. Summer 2003, v 80 (4).

Martin Carcieri, "The University of Michigan Affirmative Action Cases and Public Personnel Decisions," *Review of Public Personnel Administration*. Spring 2004: 70-76.

David Feldman, "Covenants, Categorical Imperatives, and Stewardship Ethics: Are There Sound Alternatives to Utilitarianism for Water Resources Management? In P. Friederici (ed.), *Moving Waters: The Colorado River and the West*. University of Arizona Press, 2004.

David Feldman, "Water Supply Planning - Federal," and "Water Transfers," *The Encyclopedia of Water*. Edited by Jay H. Lehr. New York: Wiley, 2004.

David Feldman (with Lyndsay Moseley), "Faith Based Environmental Initiatives in Appalachia: Connecting Faith, Environmental Concern, and Reform," *Worldviews - Environment, Culture, Religion* 7 (3) 2003: 236-261.

David Folz, "Service Quality and Benchmarking the Performance of Municipal Services," *Public Administration Review*. March/April 2004, Vol.64, No. 2: 175-186.

David Folz, "Executive Behavior and Decision Making in Small U.S. Cities." *American Review of Public Administration*. (with Ed French) (forthcoming).

David Folz, "Explaining the Performance of Mature Municipal Solid Waste Recycling Programs" *Journal of Environmental Planning and Management* (with Bruce Tonn & Jean Peretz). (forthcoming).

David Folz, 'The Hatch Act' in *Encyclopedia of American Civil Rights and Liberties*. ed. by John Scheb and Otis Stephens. Greenwood Press (forthcoming).

David Folz, "The Southern Baptist Convention" in *Encyclopedia of American Civil Rights and Liberties*. ed. by John Scheb and Otis Stephens. Greenwood Press (forthcoming).

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Dan Lipinski, 'Senate Leadership,' in *Congress Reconsidered*, 8th

Edition. Washington, DC: CQ Press, 2004.

April Morgan "Defining National Interest in the War on Terrorism" in *The Contemporary Law of War*. Howard Hensel, editor. (Forthcoming 2005, Ashgate Publications).

April Morgan, "Toward a Global Theory of Mind," *International Studies Perspectives* 4 (November, 2003: 351-370).

April Morgan, (With Lucinda Peach and Colette Mazzucelli) *Ethics and Global Politics*, Kumarian Press, Fall, 2004.

Anthony Nownes, "The Population Ecology of Interest Group Formation: Mobilizing for Gay and Lesbian Rights in the United States, 1950-1998," *British Journal of Political Science* 34: 49-67.

John Scheb, With William Lyons, *American Government: Politics and Political Culture*, 3rd edition, Atomic Dog Publishing Co., 2003.

John M. Scheb and John M. Scheb II, *American Criminal Law*, 3rd edition, Thomson/Wadsworth, 2003.

John M. Scheb and John M. Scheb II, *Criminal Procedure*, 5th edition, Thomson/Wadsworth, 2005.

Yang Zhong, "To Act or not to Act: Policy Implementation at County and Township/Town Levels in China," in Joseph Cheng, ed., *China's Challenges in the Twenty-first Century* (City University of Hong Kong Press, 2003).

Yang Zhong, "Political Culture and Participation in Rural China: An

Empirical Study,” *PS: Political Science and Politics* Vol. XXXVII, No. 3, July 2004. This article was also featured on the *American Political Science Association's* website and *APSA's News Release*.

## Alumni News

### MPA grads find challenges at UT's Law Enforcement Innovation Center (LEIC) -

*Jarrett Hallcox*, a spring 1999 MPA graduate, was recently appointed Forensic Training Specialist for the National Forensic Science Institute – an affiliate of UT's LEIC. Jarrett is responsible for day-to-day operations of the Institute's training mission and the Public Safety Technology Alliance.

*Bill Kearney*, a fall 2003 MPA graduate, serves as Grant Writing Consultant at LEIC where he assists program managers in managing and auditing grants and preparing budgets for grant proposals, contacts, and cooperative agreements.

Summer 2003 MPA grad *Macel Ely* is Homeland Security Program Coordinator at LEIC. His duties include assisting in development of a statewide curriculum for law enforcement officers and other local officials in Tennessee and planning, coordinating, & hosting training activities.

### Caissie wins Presidential Management Fellowship –

*Jennie Caissie* (MPA, 2004) was awarded a prestigious Presidential Management Fellowship, a

nationally competitive award made available through the Office of Personnel Management. Jennie will be working as a policy analyst for the Internal Revenue Service in Atlanta, Georgia.

### Moseley works for DC-based global environmental NGO –

*Lyndsay F. Moseley* (MPA, 2003) is a program associate in the *National Religious Partnership for the Environment*, a Washington, DC-based organization that works with churches and environmental groups on grassroots education, outreach, and mobilizing of political support on behalf on measures to improve the environment. During summer 2004, Moseley also participated in the National Council of Churches' "Faith and Environment Fellowship program."

### MPA grad nominated as Ambassador to Serbia and Montenegro –

Michael C. Polt, (MPA, 1977) was nominated by President Bush to be U.S. Ambassador to Serbia and Montenegro this past February.

### Eagle Scout Chris Stanford has received a \$10,000 scholarship to the Appalachia School of Law, where he will matriculate this fall. Warters and Russell receive doctorates; begin their academic careers –

Congratulations to Brian Russell and Alissa Warters who received their doctorates this year. Brian was recently appointed Assistant Professor of Political Science at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Georgia, while Alissa was appointed Assistant Professor of Political Science at Francis

Marion University in Florence, South Carolina.

## SPECIAL INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE REPORT

*"IN A GREAT ENVIRONMENT TO WORK ON THE ENVIRONMENT,"*

By Eric Harkness, Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office.

NOTE: The SAB is a group of scientists of diverse disciplines appointed by the Administrator of EPA to advise the Agency on technical science-related issues. The Staff Office coordinates and assists the various SAB Committees and Panels. Harkness was also a recent *Howard H. Baker Center for Public Policy Fellow*.

I'm always impressed to learn from a professor who has written the book on the class subject, so I became quite thrilled upon coordinating a meeting of 26 of the nation's leading scientists, some of whom have founded entirely new fields of study. Suddenly, people that have only spoken to me through books are debating and collaborating right before me. However, I could not lose sight of my task—taking notes for this Federal Advisory Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C-VPESS) to later compile the minutes for the meeting. For two intense days I listened intently to the presentations of expert analysis on the past seven years of EPA rulemaking, contributed in a break-out session placing members of the Committee in EPA's shoes writing

a rule on Confined Animal Eating Operations (CAFOs)<sup>1</sup>, and participated in discussions on the definition of valuation and the current controversies of risk analysis, among other issues as well. This summer has proved to be an exciting first-hand experience of the cutting edge of public policy formulation, the major I am pursuing here at UT through the College Scholars Program. Through C-VPESH the Agency hopes to improve its methods of quantifying and characterizing the benefits of protecting ecosystems and restoring life in damaged ecosystems, as well as to inform environmental protection decisions. To be sure, this is no easy task. Imagine how you would characterize the value of an ecosystem. That is, what is it worth to protect it? Moreover, will the benefits of protection ever exceed the costs? Since its establishment as the gauge to justify federal regulatory action in the 1980's, cost-benefit analysis has brought these questions to the forefront of environmental and human health protection, and the answers determine the stuff of policies.

My job for the Committee has been quite challenging as well. The scope of this project is far-reaching, and so not only have I had to improve my multi-tasking skills, but also to expand my capacity to focus on multi-dimensional issues and projects. As a result of its complexity, C-VPESH has several groups within it that are focusing

specifically on these very intense subjects. Part of my responsibility has been to review and comment on the works of these groups, and to coordinate their activities to ensure they compliment the work of the rest of the Committee. In addition, since the SAB charged the Committee with advising EPA's 10 regional offices on science and policy issues related to regional activity, I am working very closely with contacts throughout the country, administering a survey, and compiling the results of this survey to report to the Committee.

Yet, perhaps the greatest experience of the internship occurred three weeks before its conclusion. For two weeks my boss and the professional coordinator for C-VPESH, or Designated Federal Officer, departed for a vacation. During this time I assumed a number of her responsibilities, including drafting at least three chapters of the Committee's final report. I am very pleased to be a part of this project and very thankful to all at UT who made it possible, including my professors, the Baker Center for its generous financial support, and the University of Tennessee System for its partnership with The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. It has provided for me a terrific opportunity to better understand environmental policy, and meet some stellar scholars in the process.

For more information on the work of C-VPESH, please visit -

<http://www.epa.gov/sab/panels/vpesspanel.html>.

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<sup>1</sup> One of the most pressing issues relating to CAFOs is the huge quantity of methane produced from dung, resulting in significant air pollution.