

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND LAW ANNUAL REPORT– 2007-08

I. Staffing

Hired Antoinette Pole, specialist in American Government, Public Policy and New Media.

II. Curriculum Development:

-- Offered the first section of POLS199, Freshman Seminar in Political Science and Law, tailored for our Poli Sic and Jurisprudence majors. Offered the first year-long Senior Research and Writing Seminar in Jurisprudence. IN PROCESS: citizenship certificates; graduate certificate in Conflict Mgt. in the Workplace and alterations to the M.A. Renaming of the M.A. as Law and Governance'(Taylor)

-- Baldwin-LeClair created certificate in Conflict Management in the Workplace altered the Intellectual Property concentration; altered “dispute resolution” concentration to become “Conflict Management and Peace Studies” ; Incorporated Political Science courses previously in existence into the Law and Governance program.

III. Other Department/Program Achievements and Endeavors:

New Jersey Law Admissions Day. Hundreds of students and 40 participating law schools and presenters. October 2007. (Marilyn)

Political Science and Law Spring Department Reception April 2008.(Marilyn and Bill)

Presentation of the first Rapoport Legal Scholars --Avram's work

Development and Presentation of the first Portin scholar --Bill's work

First student accepted in New York Law School Guaranteed Admission Articulation Agreement, Angelito Cabigao—Marilyn's work

Hosted Visiting Committee, April 2008

IV. Faculty Achievements:

TAYLER

Schusterman Center for Israel Studies. Fellowship Summer 2008 at Brandeis University and in Israel.

Recipient, Dean's Recognition Award in Teaching, Spring 2008.
Honoree and Emeritus Status, American Association for Paralegal Education, Fall 2007.
Presenter, Northeast Association for Pre-Law Advisors, June 2007
Presenter and Moderator, Literature and Law Conference, April 2008.

BALDWIN-LECLAIR

Presentation at Northeastern Association of Criminal Justice Sciences Conference, June 2007

Presentation: "Downloading the World: The effect of Western Technology on Human Rights", World Cultures Day, Montclair State University, April 3, 2008.

AGYEMAN

Publications

- 1. "The Public Interest, Freedom of Expression, and Cinematic Racism," International Journal of the Arts in Society, Volume 1, Issue 6, 2007**
- 2. "Kwame Nkrumah," International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, Second Edition, November 2007**

Invited Lectures

- 1. "Globalization's Assaults on Social Justice," at the 1st Annual Leadership and Policy Conference, Chicago State University, April 11, 2008.**
- 2. "Bridging the Gap between Native Africans and Africans in the Diaspora," University of Pittsburg, November 28, 2008.**

Mentorship

Continuous tutelage of George Appiah under the Minority Graduate Careers Program bore fruit this year in his admission into the political science MA degree program at Harvard University.

Participated in Montclair State University's teaching program in the summer of China at East China Normal University. I taught a course on "Writing for the Natural Sciences" to a number of professors from ECNU.

Lectures at National University of Singapore, Columbia University, Montclair State University

SPANAKOS

Presented papers at the American Political Science Association, Northeast Political Science Association, Brazilian Studies Association, Latin American Studies Venezuela Section, Columbia University

Organized movie showing of /Cidade de Deus/ and post-movie lecture by a colleague who studies Brazilian shantytowns

Spoke at Montclair State about Venezuela and the possibility of 'socialist revolutions' in Latin America in April of 2008.

/Scholarship, grants, awards, distinctions/

Awarded a Fulbright Fellowship (Jan –Aug 2008) to research in Caracas, Venezuela on issues of socio-political foundations for government support in contemporary Venezuela

Published in Latin American Research Review (June 2007), Editor of Political Economy-Brazil for /Handbook of Latin American Studies/, contributor to /Political Handbook of the World/.

“Governing Gotham” to be published in /The Dark Knight of the Soul: Batman and Philosophy/ (2008).

BERLIN

Reelected department chair, April 2008

Lecture, “Primaries and Elections,” -- -- League of Women Voters, Fall 2007

Produced and hosted roughly 16 programs for Carpe Diem

Senior Writer, Producer, Caucus New Jersey -- -- more than 40 programs

Member of the Board, Scott Hazelcorn Children's Foundation -- -- arranged \$25,000 grant to Mothers-Children Project (for mothers and children who lost a loved one in 9/11).

Member of the Board, Monarch Associates (devoted to creating more housing opportunities for low income individuals and families)

Member of the Board, Caucus Educational Corporation

WISHNICK

Introduction to Special Issue on Energy Security in Northeast Asia,” *East Asia* Spring 2008, forthcoming.

“Sino-Japanese Energy and Environmental Relations: Towards an Energy Security ‘Risk Community’?” Submitted for review in January 2008 to the *Journal of East Asian Studies*.

“Integrating Risk in the Study of China’s Rise” article submitted to *International Studies Review* September 19, 2006 (under review).

“Chinese Perspectives on Sino-Russian Political Relations,” article for CNA Corporation volume on China-Russia Relations in the 21st Century (invited).

“The Securitization of Chinese Migration to Russia: Rhetoric and Reality,” forthcoming Routledge Press. (peer-reviewed)

Explaining the Sino-Soviet Rapprochement in the Early 1980s,” Conference on “The Cold War and Sino-Soviet Relations: Diplomatic, Economic, and Cultural Interactions,” Cold War Research Center, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China, January 4-9, 2009.

“Energy and Environmental Issues in Sino-Japanese Relations: Toward an Energy Security ‘Risk Community’?” Millennium Conference on Comparative Interdisciplinary Studies, Paris, France, June 14-16, 2008.

“Energy and Environmental Issues in Sino-Japanese Relations: Toward an Energy Security ‘Risk Community’?” National Conference of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 25, 2008.

“Energy and Environmental Issues in Sino-Japanese Relations: Toward an Energy Security ‘Risk Community’?” International Security Studies Conference, Montreal, Canada, October 19, 2007.

“Environmental Risk in China: Societal Responses,” Association for Asian Studies Japan Conference, Tokyo, June 23-24, 2007.

Service to the University

Gave a lecture on “Globalization and the Environment in China” for Humanities in the Schools Day, organized by the Institute for the Humanities on April 3, 2008. More than 50 high school students and teachers attended my presentation.

Service to the College

Organized a guest lecture on November 8, 2007. Dr. Alex Motyl of Rutgers-Newark addressed 25 students and faculty on the topic “Is Putin’s Russia Fascist?”

On April 15th, organized the inaugural lecture of the Asian Studies Minor, in co-sponsorship with the Department of Political Science and Law. Dr. Yanzhong Huang of the Whitehead School of Diplomacy at Seton Hall University spoke on “Will Taiwan Become Independent?” Approximately 25 faculty and students attended.

Awards

Received a \$60,000 Smith Richardson Junior Faculty fellowship (May-December 2008) to work on a book project, China as a Risk Society.

Received a Global Education Center grant to attend a conference on the Cold War and Sino-Soviet Relations at East China Normal University in Shanghai.

BATKAY

Chaired the Department Search Committee for the new American government/politics line, handling technical details like setting up phone interviews, on-campus visits, AA reports and so on.

Initiated departmental effort to develop promotional brochures, written by Liz Wishnick with collegial input, to be followed up with the University PR people re graphics, design and so on.

Continued active participation in the Rotary Club of the Caldwells, usually putting in 2-3 hours per week volunteering at a consignment shop in Caldwell and helping oversee high school affiliate, the Interact Club of James Caldwell High School.

Continued to serve as departmental Advisement Coordinator, attending--along with Marilyn Talyer--several advisement sessions during the year for transfer students, newly-admitted freshman and the general student population.

In fall 2007 and spring 2008 taught for first time section of upper-level Development of Political Thought to Machiavelli course, providing intellectual satisfaction and general student approbation.

Continued active participation in the ritual life of Congregation Shomrei Emunah in Montclair, leading part or most of the Sabbath morning service and Sunday morning service a couple of times a month.

SEGALL

Authored two mediation role-plays for *Instructor's Manual* for Barbara Nagle, Conflict and Resolution, second edition (Walters Fluwer)

Served on Selection Committee for Rapoport Legal Scholar Award

Invited to serve on Academic Advising Board for Jewish American Studies Program