A warm welcome to the first of what we hope will become a regular series of newsletters from the Department of Political Science at Indiana University in Bloomington. We often wonder what has happened to our alumni who leave our campus to begin productive and fascinating lives elsewhere, and this newsletter is our effort to keep you in the loop about what's going on here in Woodburn Hall and to invite you to keep us in the loop about what is going on with you. Many of you, especially graduate alums, are in academia, but even more of our graduate and undergraduates, are in the private sector or the political world. Your thoughts, inspirations, memories, and feedback will help keep us relevant and vital in a changing world.

As of June 30, I replaced former chair Mike McGinnis, who has accepted the position of Associate Dean for Social Sciences and Graduate Education in our College of Arts and Sciences. Thanks to Mike for all he accomplished during his year as chair and for all the help he provided to me in the transition. We are lucky to have Mike in the College Dean's office as we undertake some of the challenges I discuss briefly below. I am incredibly grateful to Margie Hershey, Assistant Chair and Undergraduate Director, and Armando Razo, Graduate Director, for agreeing to stay put and to a Busy Last Year

by Jerry Wright

Among the changes put in place during Mike's year as chair are the establishment, by members of a special departmental Strategic Task Force, of a set of bylaws to govern procedures for making and implementing departmental decisions. Ironically, as political scientists, we are a little late to the party of instituting official governing procedures, but we are here now, and it should make all of our jobs (including mine and that of future chairs) more streamlined and predictable. Kudos to the Task Force!! We also now have three regular colloquium series operating within this department focused on different disciplinary subfields: political theory, American politics, and world politics. These follow the model set by our colleagues in political theory who have been holding a biweekly series of lunch colloquia, including presentations by visitors, IU faculty, or advanced graduate students. The American politics series has been set up to allow grad students to receive course credits for their participation, and we are hoping the other two groups will soon move in that direction. Although there are many opportunities for students and faculty to attend colloquia in SPEA and in the Ostrom workshop, these three will be uniquely suited to highlight the great work in political science that our faculty and graduate students are doing and they are a terrific asset to the university offerings. More kudos!

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continue to do the terrific jobs they were doing before I took this job. I couldn’t (and wouldn’t) have agreed to do this without them.

In this, my first official communication with you all, I am happy and proud to announce that the state of our department is strong.

The foundation of that strength is our amazing staff. Many of you remember Jan Peterson, who manages an office staff of top-notch people, including Jessica Williams, secretary to the chair, Amanda Campbell, graduate secretary, Sharon Hughes and Chris McCann, office services assistants (and the first smiling faces you see when you enter the main office), our indispensable Steve Flinn, who manages our data systems, and a crackerjack pair of advisors in MaryLou Hosek and Joelen Bergonzi. Each of these people is a joy to work with. (All of them contributed in some way to this newsletter (as well as to the Department’s website at http://polisci.indiana.edu/home/ where we maintain a constant flow of news).

The best news I can share about the department is that we have been amazingly fortunate to hire some truly excellent young faculty in just the last few years. Since they are too new for most of you to have ever met, I want to briefly introduce them: Chris DeSante (Ph.D., Duke University, 2012), American politics; Bernard Fraga (Ph.D., Harvard University, 2013), American politics; Matt Hayes (Ph.D., University of Illinois, 2013), political behavior; Cyanne Loyle (Ph.D., University of Maryland, 2011), human rights; Diana O’Brien,( Ph.D., Washington University, 2012) comparative politics and women in politics, and William Winecoff (Ph.D., University of North Carolina, 2013), international political economy.

These young scholars are doing wonderful, cutting-edge research in their fields, and we are thrilled to have them on our team. There are more details about each of them and the work they are doing on our website. I invite you to visit http://polisci.indiana.edu/faculty/ and get to know them.

With these young folks and the tenured faculty whom most of you already know, we are well positioned to continue IU’s tradition of outstanding research in all the fields of political science, as well as graduate training and undergraduate education. Especially in the unusual (to say the least) political times in which we live, we have people who can help our students (as well as all of us) find our way through the rocky shoals.

In fact, I am excited to announce a series of three cyber round tables for alums that bring our faculty together to talk about the 2016 election, the increased visibility of racial tensions recently, and the challenges of living in a world of global terrorism. These round tables will be held here on the Bloomington campus in Woodburn. You are welcome to attend in person, but you can also log in to them via our website so that you can watch, listen, and participate from wherever you are. We are extremely excited about the technology that allows us to make the rich resources of our department available to you long after you have left for bigger adventures. We will be publishing
a schedule as soon as we have it: we will reach you via email and the website, so stay tuned.

We are also having a Distinguished Alumni Colloquium series featuring IU Ph.D.’s made good and who will be returning to give talks on their current research (and, naturally, how IU helped prepare them to do it). Tom Carsey, (Ph.D., 1995), now the Thomas J. Pearsall Distinguished Professor and Director of the Odum Institute for Research in Social Science at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, will inaugurate the series this fall, but we hope to have many of you Ph.D. types back over the years.

Earlier I mentioned the challenges we face, and these are typical of those in higher education these days. More and more undergraduates are opting to get their degrees from the professional schools, presumably in the belief that a degree in business, public policy, or public health is a surer path to a job. And given directives from the state legislature, more students are taking their basic college classes (like our Y103, Introduction to American Politics) as dual credit classes while still in high school. Eventually I believe we will be seeing students arrive as newly minted high school graduates with nearly two years of college already under their belts. What that means for us is that there are fewer students taking courses and majoring in the College, including political science. And fewer students means budget cuts in the College and the Department, including a significant reduction in our graduate program, with fewer graduate admissions in coming years, fewer graduate seminars to be taught, and fewer faculty to teach them. It’s a vicious cycle we need to counter with ingenuity and creativity.

As Rahm Emmanuel (I know, I know: you love him or you hate him) has said, “You never let a serious crisis go to waste.” These changing times give us the opportunity to do new and exciting things. Dealing with the changes will necessitate long-overdue revisions of our curriculum, an increased emphasis on how we can use technology effectively in the classroom, and an effort to develop innovative classroom offerings that are attractive to students while still providing the essential training in political analysis and writing that we consider so fundamental for our graduates, and indeed is the hallmark of a liberal arts education. We are also exploring the feasibility of partnering with other social sciences to deal with the challenges we face jointly, including the provision of research methods and statistics training for our graduate students.

There is a lot going on around here, and as usual, Woodburn Hall is an exciting place to be. I hope this newsletter will provide a two-way channel for us to keep in touch.

For now, I hope you find the newsletter interesting reading and also that you will not hesitate to get in touch or stop by for a visit when you are in Bloomington. The chair’s door is always open for you.

Best wishes,
Jerry Wright, Chair
The cross-disciplinary nature of our program reflects our desire to emulate the example of Tocqueville, whose greatness did not lie in any single doctrine that he espoused but rather in the ambivalent and often critical lenses through which he analyzed the multiple facets of democracy. We seek to reach out to students interested in history, political science, sociology, and religious studies in order to reflect critically on themes that deal with important issues such as freedom, equality, civil society, religion, citizenship, mores, individualism, democracy, centralization, self-government, despotism, and civil associations. Tocqueville articulated a set of theories of freedom, equality, civil society, despotism, religion, and individualism, which continue to have a striking, enduring relevance for us today. Historians, political scientists, sociologists, and anthropologists have acknowledged his original contribution to their disciplines and the current importance of his ideas on freedom, equality, civil society, religion, political culture, individualism, democracy, and despotism.

Contemporary thinkers on both the left and the right have claimed Tocqueville as one of their own, admiring him either for his insightful views on democratic citizenship and the art of association, or for his passionate defense of decentralization and self-government and his skepticism toward big government.

During 2013-14 academic year, we organized a successful year-long series of events on “Capitalism: Its Critics and Defenders” and during the 2016-17 academic year we will be organizing a series of events on voluntary association, self-government, and civil society.
FEATURED UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

Y304 “Constitutional Law” – Professor Eileen Braman
The Constitution and the decisions of Supreme Court justices who interpret it have defined the contours of
government power in the United States for over 200 years. However, the precise scope and nature of that power is
not always clear. This course examines the constitutional powers of our national institutions -- the United States
judicial, legislative, and executive branches. This course looks at how our constitutional structure limits state and
federal government actors. In conclusion this course will consider how some of the specific tools the United States
government has to address national problems have evolved over time through Supreme Court decision-making.

Y317 “Voting/Elections/Public Opinion” – Professor Bernard Fraga
Many of us stay home on Election Day, casual observers decry partisan politics, and polling reveals few Americans
feel well represented by Congress. In this course we will explore three central questions, each addressing the above
points: Why do we vote? What drives us to vote for one candidate over another? When do our political opinions
impact public policy? While we will emphasize the many answers political science provides, we will also pay
attention to the way recent campaigns have tried to rally support for their candidates.

Y348 “The Politics of Genocide” – Professor Jack Bielasiak
Comparative study of major twentieth-century genocides. Examines the political conditions, ideologies, and
movements leading up to mass murder, and the ethnic and global context of genocide. Focuses on the question of
responsibility and accountability from the viewpoints of perpetrators, victims, and bystanders in the national and
international communities.

Y353 “The Politics of Gender and Sexuality” – Professor Diana O’Brien
This course surveys central topics in the study of gender, sexuality, and politics. Issues covered include the election
of women and LGBT candidates to office, legislative efforts on behalf of women and sexual minorities, women’s and
gay rights’ movements, and the politics of masculinity. Examples are drawn from various world regions and time
periods to analyze similarities and differences across cases around the globe.

Y360 “United States Foreign Policy” – Professor Karen Rasler
This course analyzes the rise of America’s global leadership during the post-1945 era, its role in changing the
international political and economic system, and the subsequent challenges to that leadership during the last four
decades. Five major issue areas are covered: 1) the emergence of the U.S. as a global leader and the onset of the
Cold War; 2) the role of the President, the Executive Branch and various policy-making models; 3) Congressional-
Executive relations and foreign policy; 4) the impact of public opinion on foreign policy-making; and 5) the future
of American foreign policy in a post-Cold War environment.

Y376 “International Political Economy” – Professor William Winecoff
The politics of the world economy are always contentious, but they have been particularly so in recent years. Many
political systems have been slow to adapt to rising inequality, a lack of sustainable development pathways, and
recurring economic crises. This course examines the creation of the international political economy and changes with
it, focusing especially on the ways in which the trade, investment, and development subsystems interact with one
another and with political institutions.

Y490 “Politics and Happiness” – Professor Aurelian Craiutu
This is a senior seminar with an intensive-writing component (Y490), co-sponsored by the Hutton Honors College.
In this class, students are invited to study great books from past centuries and watch a few relevant movies. They
focus on the relationship between politics, happiness, and the search for the meaning of life. The class focuses on
several major themes: 1) the search for the meaning of life in America today; 2) work, consumerism, and leisure;
3) nature, solitude, and friendship; 4) civilization and politics; 5) science and the meaning of life.
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I am continuing to serve as Director of Research for the Center on Representative Government (CRG) and Director of the Center on American Politics (CAP) as well as Professor of Political Science. In 2013 I was promoted to the rank of Distinguished Professor, the highest rank offered by Indiana University. The Center on Representative Government was originally founded as the Center on Congress with Lee Hamilton serving as its founding director. CRG conducts two yearly surveys that I direct: a national public opinion survey focusing on citizens’ assessment of Congress and an expert survey centering on how congressional specialists evaluate its performance. The CAP supports activities and programs focusing on American politics, including summer support and travel and research grants for graduate students studying American politics, and sponsors a speakers’ series as well as a weekly Workshop on American Politics. I served as president of MPSA last year and continue as past president this year. I continue to teach courses in American politics at the graduate and undergraduate levels and developed a new graduate seminar on political polarization, which I am offering for the first time this semester. I am just completing a co-authored book manuscript with Mike Ensley and Mike Wagner that focuses on how the public is responding to partisan polarization. I have several other projects in progress which I intend to pursue when I am on sabbatical next spring.

Aurelian Craiutu
I spent the AY 2014-15 as Ann and Herbert Vaughan Visiting Fellow in the James Madison Program in American Ideals and Institutions at Princeton University where I completed a new book manuscript, *Faces of Moderation: The Art of Balance in the Age of Extremes*, forthcoming with University of Pennsylvania Press in December 2016. At Princeton, I organized and moderated a panel discussion on “Moderation and Conservatism,” featuring Sam Tanenhaus, journalist (the New York Times) and Peter Berkowitz, Hoover Institute at Stanford University. I also served as the chair of the American Political Science Association Committee for the 2014 Best First Book Prize given by the Foundations of Political Theory Section. At Indiana, I have been active directing the Tocqueville Program, which has brought to campus a wide array of speakers who lectured on topics as diverse as capitalism and its critics and the Bloomingtom School of Elinor and Vincent Ostrom. The Tocqueville Program has just received two substantial grants to organize a year-long series on self-government, voluntary association, and civil society (AY 2016-17), in collaboration with the Lilly School of Philanthropy at IUPUI.

Jacek Dalecki
At the risk of establishing a gold standard for “bragging rights” or sounding like an updated Pierre Bezukhov, I am pleased to share the following. Having received another IU Trustees Teaching Award (the third one in the last four years) and having spent most of my extra time in travels between D.C., Warsaw, and Bloomington, I managed to publish “The Tree Don't Care What the Little Bird Sings,” a text about Edward Snowden and American public opinion, in the *Copernicus Journal of Political Ideas*, 1(7), 2015. (The reference to Nick Cave was intentional – and good luck locating the journal.) I am currently serving as a faculty advisor to Seinfeld (Club About Nothing) while working on a long-overdue book about Adam Michnik.

Sumit Ganguly
Last year I published the *Oxford Short Introduction to Indian Foreign Policy*, an account of the evolution of Indian foreign policy. The books in this series are intended for a broad but intellectually curious audience. My new book, *Deadly Impasse: Indo-Pakistani Relations at the Dawn of a New Century*, has just been published by Cambridge University Press. The American
Academy of Arts and Sciences has asked me to participate in a project on terminating civil wars by contributing a chapter on the end of the Sri Lankan civil war. At Indiana I hold the Rabindranath Tagore Chair in Indian Cultures and Civilizations, and I continue to direct the Center on American and Global Security, which has been organizing a series of symposiums and events on current international affairs with stellar guest speakers.

Timothy Hellwig
My recently published book *Globalization and Mass Politics* (Cambridge University Press, 2014), advances a novel argument about how globalization affects mass politics in advanced capitalist democracies on both the demand (citizens) and supply side (political representatives). The book, which examines the influence of economic globalization on policy preferences, voting, and party responsiveness to public opinion, among other issues, received positive reviews by experts in the field. Andy Baker, professor at the University of Colorado, Boulder, called it a “rare work,” which offered a “convincing explanation for the reorientation of domestic political competition around noneconomic issues in Western democracies,” while Brian Burgoon of the University of Amsterdam said that the book promised to be “seminal in debates on the future of democratic politics in our globalization age.”

Michael D. McGinnis
The most unusual experience I had over the last year was my invitation to speak at a regional meeting of the National Association of State Attorneys General in Indianapolis. Indiana State AG Gary Zoeller asked me to speak on the potential relevance of the research of Lin and Vincent Ostrom on the problems associated with collaborations between public officials at the state and national levels in the U.S. I remember him joining us at a meeting several years ago in Bloomington, and I was intrigued that he still remembered us. As I looked into the nature of this office, I learned a great deal about the contributions they have been making towards major social changes, most notably in a major legal settlement with the tobacco industry. I made a few comments regarding how Obamacare, federalism, and polycentricity are all related, and sat back to listen to their comments. It was a fascinating view of one small piece of the real-world legal-political landscape. Most of my time last year was spent learning the job of chair of the political science department. That too was a very fascinating experience, and it whetted my appetite for more administrative responsibilities. In July I began serving as Associate Dean for Social & Historical Sciences and Graduate Education in the College of Arts and Sciences. I’ve just begun peeking behind the curtain to see what really goes on during such arcane administrative processes as budget construction and curriculum reform. I’m sure that by the time my four-year term is up, I will definitely be ready to retire. Wish me luck!

Diana O’Brien
I joined the political science department in fall 2014, and I’m happy to be carrying forward our long tradition of women and politics scholarship. My research addresses two foundational questions in this field. First, when do women gain access to political institutions from which they have historically been excluded? Second, what are the broader consequences of women’s presence in these institutions? Since arriving at Indiana I have been studying female party leaders in established democracies. My first two papers from this project were recently published in the *American Journal of Political Science* and *Politics & Gender*. The third is forthcoming in the *American Political Science Review*. 
Review. Moving forward, I am excited about further pursuing this stream of research while also continuing my work on female cabinet appointees and women’s policy representation.

Jean Robinson

I have been serving as Associate Executive Dean of the IUB College of Arts and Sciences and will complete eight years of administrative leadership in the College Dean’s office this summer. I am looking forward to my sabbatical in the fall, updating some of my research on reproductive policies and abortion laws in France, before returning to the faculty in spring 2017. Perhaps in response to the completion of my service as an administrator, I have been invited to present numerous lectures about academic leadership and the future of the academy. Most recently I was the keynote presenter at the 24th Conference of Preparing Future Faculty, with an audience of over 350 graduate students and faculty.

On March 4, 2016, I received the IU Provost’s Medal in appreciation for my contributions to the scholarly community of the campus. The Provost’s Medal is the highest honor bestowed by the Office of the Provost. It recognizes select individuals for their outstanding contributions to the academic mission of Indiana University Bloomington. Recipients of this medal are faculty and administrators whose careers have transformed vital aspects of the Bloomington campus, greatly enhanced the student experience, and significantly advanced the frontiers of research in their fields. Honorees are chosen by the Provost.

I also recently completed national service on the College Board Technical Advisory Committee, which advises the College Board on Advanced Placement and SAT programs and testing.

William Scheuerman

I have just stepped down as Director of Graduate Studies. I will be a recipient of a Fulbright Fellowship and also a Humboldt Fellowship during the AY 2016-17. These fellowships will allow me to be a Visiting Fellow (fall 2016) at the Institute for Advanced Studies, Bad Homburg (Germany), affiliated with the Goethe University (Frankfurt). I am currently writing a book tentatively entitled “Civil Disobedience in the Postnational Constellation.”

Bill Thompson


Will Winecoff

This year I will be co-editing a special issue of the journal Business and Politics with Travis Selmier, a recent IU political science Ph.D., to be published in early 2017. The issue is titled “Property Rights, Financial Risk, and the Politics of a Networked Global Financial System” and will focus on themes I have explored in recent work published in peer-reviewed outlets International Studies Quarterly, Perspectives on Politics, and Business and Politics and non-peer-reviewed publications like The Washington Post, The Duck of Minerva, and The Fair Jilt. More information about this project, and

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I retired on January 1, 2013. The timing was influenced by my sixty-fifth birthday, on December 29, 2012, my eligibility for Social Security and Medicare, and my desire to never again attend another committee meeting (other than for a Ph.D. student). I was invited to be on a panel at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association in San Francisco in April 2013. Joan came with me, so we spent some time in San Francisco and the East Bay before heading to Portland.

In July, we went to New York to see the James Turrell exhibit at the Guggenheim. We stayed at the home of a good friend from college days.

A trip to the doctor determined that I had arthritis in my right hip and that I needed a hip replacement. I signed up for an operation at St. Francis Hospital in Mooresville, Indiana, that was scheduled to occur in August.

While I was recovering, Joan was involved in the preparations for a show at the Waldron Arts Center of indigo-dyed textiles and apparel. Also involved in loaning items for the show were Gail Hale, Bill Itter, George Malacinski, Suzanne Halvorson, Barby Livesey, Sarah Noggle, and Harold Mailand. Except for Suzanne, all were members of the Rug and Textile Society of Indianapolis (RTSI). This show was arranged in conjunction with the Lotus World Music and Arts Festival. A second show, on red-dyed textiles, was mounted at the Waldron in 2015. In both shows, Joan loaned various items from her collection and gave a number of lectures. These shows were a big success.

On October 13, 2013, I was recovered enough to give a presentation on “The Politics of International Competitiveness” at the Emeriti House at IU. It was a great opportunity for me to look back on my academic career and its modest accomplishments. It inspired me to write a brief autobiography, which took me a few months to complete.

Around that time, I was asked to take on the task of editing the section on international political economy of the International Studies Association’s International Studies Encyclopedia. My duties include soliciting manuscripts, selecting outside readers, and providing suggestions to authors who need to revise and resubmit. So far I have been able to do this for two entries: one on “Money” and the other on “Formal and Informal Institutions in the International Monetary System.” I also revised my own entry on “Technology Standards in International Communications” for another section of the encyclopedia. I also wrote an entry on “Globalization and Multinational Corporations” for Phil Harris and Craig Floisher, eds., Public Affairs and Globalization; Handbook of Public Affairs.

I am trying to complete some unfinished projects, including two books: one on the politics of the Internet and the other on politics and film.

I spent a lot of time spiffing up my website, my curriculum vitae, and my social media presence on Facebook, LinkedIn, Flickr, Instagram, and Pinterest, hoping that some wealthy institution would leap at the opportunity to provide me with additional income during my retirement. So far, that enterprise has not born fruit, but who knows what will happen eventually.

In October 2014, we spent two and a half weeks in Turkey. For the first part of this trip we were part of a National Geographic tour group focusing on photography. We started in Istanbul, saw Taksim Square, Istiklal Caddesi, the Pera Museum, and the Galata Tower on the first day. The next day we toured the Cistern, Aya Sofya, the Hippodrome, the Blue Mosque, and Suleiman’s Mosque. The third day we spent mainly at Topkapi Palace. Then we flew to Capadokya. We stayed in a cave hotel, had lunch at a horse farm, and took a hike in Love Valley. The next day we toured the Goreme rock formations and rock churches. We had a fine lunch at the Ziggy Café in Urgup and then went to a carpet factory there. Toward the end of the day we saw the Nevsehir castle and Çavuşin. On the final day in Capadokya, we went to a ceramics factory and bought some dishes, before flying to Izmir.

From Izmir we took a bus to
Ephesus to see the Roman and Greek excavations. We went to Bodrum. In Bodrum we got a tour of the Institute of Nautical Archaeology and then visited the museum at the Bodrum Castle. After the castle we were taken on a boat ride on a Gulet (you can hire these very nice wooden sailboats with engines in Bodrum Harbor). This was the final day of our tour, which ended with a nice dinner and a review of the best photographs taken by members of the tour.

Joan and I continued on with a private car and driver to see Greek and Roman ruins in Miletos, Priene, Pergamon, and Troy. We stayed overnight in Canakkale. The next morning we took the ferry to Gallipoli and toured the battlefield park before heading back to Istanbul. We spent five more days in Istanbul before returning home.

The trip to Turkey helped me to understand better the cultural linkages among the countries that used to be part of the Ottoman Empire. Turks are still somewhat nostalgic for those imperial times, just as the Indians are nostalgic for the Moghul era. The enduring legacy of the Ataturk era is also tangible. There is still considerable intolerance for Jews, Greeks, and Kurds. Only since the election of Erdogan has the Turkish government tolerated open expressions of orthodox Islamic beliefs and Sufi practices such as those behind the whirling dervishes. Along with the usual tourists from North America and Western Europe, there were considerable numbers of Russian and Iranians. A fair percentage of the gas stations we passed were owned by Russian companies like Lukoil.

In June 2015, we went to New York for a week. For the first time, we spent a few days on Fire Island with friends. In New York, we had a chance to see the newly opened Whitney Museum and the show of China-themed fashion at the Metropolitan Museum. We saw two plays: “The Case of the Dog in the Night” and “The Audience.” Both were excellent. We went to a Bach concert at Avery Fisher Hall in Lincoln Center.

In July 2015, we took a few days off to drive to Cincinnati. It was busy because our trip coincided with the All-Star game. Still, we got a chance to see the museums before returning to Bloomington.

In August, we took our annual trip to Oregon. Zach was able to join us. We spent the first week at Cannon Beach, and then returned to Portland so that Joan could attend the fiftieth reunion of her high school class. Claudia Macdonald was there at the same time, and joined us in visiting a Frank Lloyd Wright house in Silverton, Oregon. Joan reconnected with Hap Tivey, a classmate who became an artist and now lives in New York.

Since then, my routine has consisted mainly of doing a little research, exercising at the YMCA, going to movies, plays, operas, and other cultural events, and trying to lose weight. Joan and I walk the dog every day. I am diversifying my cooking repertoire. In general, retirement has been a good thing, and I urge all eligible colleagues to make the leap.
I have spent the academic year at the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions at Vanderbilt University. Beside interacting with the members of their excellent American politics faculty, graduate students and post-docs at the Center, I have been working on my project, which is a twenty-five-year follow-up to my co-authored book *Statehouse Democracy* (Cambridge U Press, 1992). This year I have successfully charted the changes in state partisanship that have given rise to the current gridlock in Congress. Two findings I think are new: 1) the period from the mid-1970s into the Clinton administration was one of systematic decline in the strength of the Democratic party across virtually all the states, but then 2) as the Republican party nationalized its differences and stressed social and cultural issues, the public responded with growing polarization. This took the form of state partisanship being pulled by existing state policy preferences (ideology), so that now our Red states are redder and our Blue states are bluer. One important consequence is that more states are now under strongly ideological one-party control, so that Republican states are rapidly passing a host of conservative policies (examples: voter suppression, anti-union legislation, opposition to Common Core, cuts in taxes and services, pro-gun bills, and more). At the same time, Democratic-controlled states are more uniformly liberal and are passing a host of liberal policies (examples: legalized same-sex marriage, sanctuary cities, higher minimum wage, Medicaid expansion under the ADA, and legalized marijuana). We seem to be heading for a country where citizens will be residing under one of two policy regimes. Looking to the future, my research suggests continued polarization and gridlock at the national level, with the states continuing to take the initiative on numerous policy fronts, even those that have been the under the purview of the federal government, like immigration and environmental policy/climate change.
Perspectives on Politics has been housed in Indiana University’s Department of Political Science, under the editorship of Jeffrey Isaac, for about ten years (in 2006, the book review section came to IU, and in 2009, the full journal took up residence). Having one of the American Political Science Association’s flagship journals in our department has served as an excellent source of professionalization for the graduate students who have worked for it, myself included. I have been fortunate to work on the journal from 2012 until 2016. Over the course of those years, I have learned much about our discipline as a whole. As Perspectives tries to be a “political science public sphere,” I have developed a better appreciation of our discipline’s variety and scope.

I have perhaps learned even more about academic publishing. In my capacity as an editorial assistant for Perspectives, I have worked on what we call the “front end” of the journal. This means that my primary focus has been on the journal’s research articles and “Reflections,” and I was therefore provided with an insider’s view of the article review process. By seeing how authors presented their submissions to the journal, how they framed their arguments, how they navigated the review process, and how they revised their manuscripts to satisfy the reviewers and the editor, I came to understand that there are few (if any!) article submissions that cannot benefit from some form of revision. Very few articles are truly ready for publication upon submission. I realized that the author’s ability to explain why the research matters to the discipline was in some ways just as important as the quality of the research itself. And I saw the importance of treating the reviewers and the editor as interlocutors who work alongside the author to improve the article. This has allowed me to see the process of academic publishing as a collective (public), rather than individual, effort.

These lessons were very important to me as a graduate student, as they served to demystify the publication process. Having seen the process of submitting an article from the inside, I gained insight into how best to navigate it. This knowledge helped me to publish two articles as a graduate student: one in the Journal of the History of Ideas, and the other—co-authored with Aurelian Craiutu—in the Review of Politics. In both cases, I was able to draw on my experience as an editorial assistant at Perspectives to give the papers their best shot at publication. For that, I will always be grateful to Jeff Isaac, Managing Editor James Moskowitz, former Book Review Editor Margot Morgan, and all of the other editorial assistants.
David Endicott
This year was quite important for solidifying my dissertation plans. During summer 2015, I received an Ostrom Workshop Graduate Student Research Grant. I visited two case study sites in India and interviewed state-level politicians, bureaucrats, and labor unions. The most fruitful interviews occurred with bureaucrats on the subject of funding/taxing issues, and as a result, public finance and fiscal federalism have received more emphasis. Because of this experience, during the 2015-16 academic year, I was able to refine my dissertation plans before returning to India.

Kirk Harris
During summer 2015, I returned to Kenya for nine weeks to conduct interviews and prepare a public opinion survey as part of my dissertation research on the politics of local development funds there. This work was made possible by a DDRIG from the NSF and funding from the Ostrom Workshop here at IU. This spring, with the support of the department, I was honored to receive a Dissertation Completion Fellowship from the College of Arts and Sciences here at IU. This support will be extremely helpful as I prepare to complete, and defend, my dissertation in spring 2017.
On Graduation Day, May 7th, the faculty and staff had the enjoyable task of honoring our 2016 graduating majors. We started with refreshments in Woodburn, and continued to our own Political Science ceremony in Woodburn 100. The 139 graduating majors, who filled the rows of seats on one side of the large lecture hall, and 425 of their family and friends heard lively and informative presentations by two our graduating majors, Elizabeth Mitchell and Cody Vaughn. Our outgoing chair, Professor Michael McGinnis, also addressed the crowd. Many of our faculty participated in the ceremony, reading thoughts students’ had shared about family and future as they came forward and had pictures taken with the chair. It was a wonderful acknowledgement of a lot of work and learning on everyone’s part, and a bittersweet recognition that one of life’s most significant chapters was ending, even as we have full faith that our graduates’ experiences at IU have prepared them for more exciting chapters to come.
**Alumni Spotlight**

Dr. Barbara Junisbai  
Assistant Professor of Political Science and International Relations at Nazarbayev University

Barbara Junisbai completed her doctorate in Bloomington in December 2010, focusing on comparative and American politics. Originally from Tennesse, Junisbai moved to Kazakhstan before coming to IU to pursue her Ph.D. She’s moved back to Kazakhstan, where she works now.

Responding to questions from the Nazarbayev Political Science Review for its International Women’s Day report, Junisbai was enthusiastic about her studies at IU. “I loved my program, especially the well-rounded, successful and inspirational women who taught and mentored me,” she said.

She went on to give more details about her IU experience. “The first year of graduate school was very, very hard for me. I didn’t think I would be able to finish the program. I had taken some time off from school and worked, so it was hard to readjust to academia. I also had a small baby, who was three months old, and a toddler, who was three years old. I was the only person in my graduate program with a family and the responsibilities that go along with it. I remember one day I was in the office talking to our kind department secretary. I was so tired. When I saw her understanding expression, I started to cry. Then the director of graduate studies at the time, Professor Yvette Assensoh, came in. She missed her meeting to sit with me and give me advice. I told her that I was going to quit and come back when my children were older. And she gave me the best advice I could have received. She said, ‘Barbara, there will never be a time when your children don’t need you. When they are in school, you’ll have even less time than you have now. You’ll be helping them with their homework, taking them to activities, helping out in the classroom. You are a bright student, and we believe in you or we wouldn’t have admitted you! You can do this. You might have to work harder, sleep less, organize your time better—but you can do it. If you really want it, you can do it.’ I will never forget those words. And six years later, I graduated with honors and a number of external grants and awards under my belt. It was not easy, but those ended up among the best years of my life. I learned so much and got to spend a lot of time with my children—far more than if I had to work 40 hours a week.

“In terms of prejudices I have faced, I would say that there are certain norms and expectations that have been challenging for me culturally and normatively. Political science is a male-dominated field, which rewards (in my opinion) some stereotypical male behaviors that do not come naturally to me. For example, once at a job interview I was told that I needed to be more assertive and that my strength was that students were fond of me. These were clearly gendered descriptors based on gendered expectations. I have over the years worked hard to develop my own style of teaching and communicating, one that builds on my natural inclinations as a first-generation Chinese-American woman, as well as on my own distinct personality and interpersonal style. My goal is to promote the kinds of values that matter most to me as a scholar and teacher, and to do so in a way that feels comfortable and honest to who I am as a woman with a complex and challenging personal history who has been incredibly lucky along the way.”

Junisbai is currently at work on her book about business opposition in post-Soviet Eurasia. “This will be my first book, and so it is incredibly important to me. I love writing and thinking through my arguments and how to write them in the clearest and most accessible way I can. I try to practice the skills that I ask of my students. Speaking and writing for a broad generalist audience is one of the things I value most, and if there is only one thing I leave them with, I hope that is it!”

Speaking about her current job, Junisbai says that she enjoys “the intellectual freedom and engagement it offers me. Professors...
study what they are interested in and passionate about; we teach courses that build on our intellectual passions and thereby inspire and help students develop their own potential. For me, it is really about the circulation of intellectual energy and knowledge. Most days, I come home tired but happy. I get to be as creative in my scholarship and teaching as I can muster. And that is not something many jobs afford.”

Alumni Journeys
By Carolyn Holmes, (Ph.D., 2015)

Walking across the stage for the spring 2015 commencement celebrations and getting my doctoral hood from my advisor, Lauren Maclean, was the conclusion of my graduate career. All of that training, in both the classroom and in research, has helped me during the last academic year, in which I have taught at two different institutions on two different continents, in addition to publishing two articles on South African politics.

During the summer session of 2015, I was invited to teach at Webster University, Accra, in its master’s program in international relations. Vasabjit Banerjee, my husband (also an IU Ph.D., he is now an assistant professor at Mississippi State University) came with me for the June to August session, during which I taught intensive courses on nationalism and qualitative research methods.

Coming back to the U.S., I started a job as a visiting assistant professor of political science at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. At Bucknell, I am teaching courses in comparative politics, with specializations in Africa and the developing world, as well as teaching an intensive course in nationalism and identity politics.

I published an article this year in Acta Politica on the evaluations of legitimacy by electoral “losers” and non-voters that was co-authored with Timothy S. Rich (IU political science Ph.D.). Another article, which I wrote with Melanie Loehwing (IU rhetoric and public culture Ph.D.), is forthcoming in the Journal of Southern African Studies on the #RhodesMustFall protest movement in South Africa. I was also invited to contribute to the Oxford University-sponsored blog “Democracy in Africa” on the basis of an earlier publication.

In the upcoming academic year, I am very excited to be joining the faculty of Mississippi State University. This summer, my husband and I will be traveling to South Africa and India for research on a new project on social capital and trust in comparative perspective.
Hello Hoosiers!

I was delighted to begin this academic year as a tenured associate professor at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, where I’m the Louis A. Maier Faculty Development Fellow in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication. I also hold an appointment in the Department of Political Science.

My favorite thing about my job is that it supports my strong desire, developed and encouraged at IU, to integrate my research into my teaching and service. I’m engaged in three new streams of research: 1) examining the connection between scholarship, media coverage, and federal policies addressing inequality; 2) examining the politics of how journalists cover the news; and 3) chronicling how the state of Wisconsin has been transformed from a progressive center into a laboratory of oligarchy. My students produced award-winning news coverage of inequalities in Madison and have published their research in political communication journals.

When I’m not writing or teaching, I am often found chairing UW-Madison’s IRB committee, running the journalism school’s professional master’s program, serving as an op-ed columnist or expert guest in local and national media coverage of American politics, or interviewing scholars about their research when I host a public affairs radio program.

Alumni Updates
The information contained in these updates may have changed since it was originally submitted to us. Please continue to send us your news so that we can report new developments in future issues.

Before 1960

Retired Lt. Gen. Roger L. Rothrock, B.A., ’49, served in the Pacific with the U.S. Army during World War II. After the war, he went to college on the GI Bill and studied medicine. Rothrock subsequently served in a MASH unit during the Korean War and then pursued a lifelong career as a doctor and medical consultant. He lives in Palm Springs, California.

Charlotte (Sutheimer) Cochran, B.A., ’51, recently retired following a 28-year real-estate career in Indianapolis. Her husband, Lt. Col. Charles W. “Chuck” Cochran, B.S., ’53, M.S., ’85, retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1978, having flown 7,000 hours in nine types of aircraft. He did two tours of Southeast Asia, flying 87 missions in Vietnam, and received two medals of commendation. He also was trained to rescue astronauts from the ocean after space missions. After earning a J.D. degree from the University of Dayton School of Law in 1985, Chuck became a public defender and later a magistrate. Retired since 1998, he now restores Chrysler and DeSoto Airflow cars. The Cochrans live in Shelbyville, Indiana, with their retired racing greyhounds.

1960s

Ilvi Joe Cannon, M.A., ’66, is the editor and translator of Mis teha – siin ta on, which was originally published in Germany in 1947. The book, which translates to Refugee, is about displaced Estonians in Germany after World War II and examines the role that the Western powers played in the lives of Baltic refugees in Germany. Cannon has been living in Estonia since 1997 and is the editor of Carrying Linda’s Stones: An Anthology of Estonian Women’s Life Stories, which recounts the stories of 15 Estonian women during World War II and the Soviet occupation.

1970s

East Carolina University professor David L. Edgell, MPA, ’70, was given the 2014 Board on Human Sciences Lifetime Achievement Award, which honors a nationally recognized leader with a significant history of advancing human sciences in higher education. Edgell, who is a professor in ECU’s College of Human Ecology, has devoted much of his career to promoting tourism as an economic and social development tool for communities and nations worldwide.

Robert A. Rush, B.A., ’73, retired from a 42-year career in industry in March. He worked for Cummins Engine Co. in Columbus, Indiana, for 27 years, and spent a further 15 years at Meritor Automotive and A.O. Smith, in information technology management. A lifelong Hoosier basketball fan, he recently moved to Panama City Beach, Florida, with his wife, Debbie, who worked in the IU Athletics Department while he was a student at IU.

Michael H. Starks, B.A., ’74, MLS, ’12, is supervising librarian of computer instruction at the Indianapolis Public Library. He leads a team responsible for planning, scheduling, and implementing programs and classes in the Central Library’s computer lab and Makerspace. Since joining the library in 2012, Starks has taught computer and Internet skills and helped plan the library’s community digitization and historical preservation project. He lives in Zionsville, Indiana, with his wife, Cynthia.
In February, the Immigrant Welcome Center, dedicated to serving newcomers to Indianapolis, elected Richard C. Miller, B.A., ’77, to its board of directors for a three-year term. Before retiring in 2012, Miller served for 13 years as president and CEO of Kentucky-based E.D. Bullard and Company, a designer and manufacturer of personal protective equipment for people working in hazardous conditions. Fluent in Spanish and a frequent traveler to Latin America, Miller relocated from Lexington, Kentucky, to Indianapolis in 2014.

The photography of Indianapolis businessman Bruce W. Buchanan, B.A., ’78, was featured in Chicago’s Millennium Fine Art Gallery in April. His work has been published in the New York Times, Nation’s Business, and Forbes. Buchanan is owner and CEO of Buchanan Group and Flanner and Buchanan, both family-owned, end-of-life and life-celebrating businesses located in Indianapolis. After graduating from IU, Buchanan went on to work as a photographer and picture editor at three daily newspapers. In 2013, he published a book of photographs, Broad Ripple, USA: The Quiet Side of the Village. For more information, visit BuchananPhotoCelebrations.com.

Marci A. Reddick, B.A., ’78, J.D., ’84, a partner in the Indianapolis office of the law firm Taft Stettinius & Hollister, was selected for inclusion in the 2015 edition of Best Lawyers in America in the area of corporate law. She is a member of the firm’s real estate and business/finance practice groups and represents clients in all phases of real estate acquisition, sales, finance, and development.

1980s

Richard B. “Rick” Welch, B.A., ’80, current president and publisher of the Madisonville (KY) Messenger. He was installed as 2015 president of the Kentucky Press Association. The association, in its 146th year, held its annual convention at the Marriott East in Louisville.

Welch is a former publisher at the Michigan City News-Dispatch and is a former sports reporter, rock/pop columnist, and advertising executive at the Post-Tribune. He lives in Madisonville.

In October 2014, Roger H. Bickel, B.A., ’82, a partner in the Chicago-based law firm Freeborn & Peters, was named one of Illinois’ the top 10 leading government, municipal, lobbying, and administrative lawyers in Illinois by Leading Lawyers. The organization has recognized him as one of the state’s leading lawyers since 2004. Bickel, who is chairman of the government and regulatory practice group at Freeborn & Peters., lives in Winnetka, Illinois.

John Bartlow Martin: A Voice for the Underdog, a new book by historian and prolific author, Ray E. Boomhower, B.A., ’82, M.A., ’95, was published by Indiana University Press in April. During the 1940s and ’50s, Martin’s name dominated the pages of the big “slick” magazines, such as the Saturday Evening Post, Harper’s, and Collier’s. A former reporter for the Indianapolis Times, Martin was a key speechwriter and adviser to the presidential campaigns of many prominent Democrats from 1950 into the 1970s, including those of Adlai Stevenson, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, and Robert F. Kennedy. He earned a small measure of fame when FCC Chairman Newton Minow introduced his description of television as “a vast wasteland” into the nation’s vocabulary.

Samuel D. Hodson, B.A., ’82, J.D., ’86, MBA, ’90, who works in
the Indianapolis office of the law firm Taft Stettinius & Hollister, was selected for inclusion in the 2015 edition of Best Lawyers in America in the areas of B.A., bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights and litigation–B.A., bankruptcy. His practice is focused on clients in transition who need assistance in acquisitions, debt restructuring, refinancing, workouts, and turnarounds.

Mark T. Hayden, B.A., ’83, J.D., ’86, a partner in the Cincinnati and northern Kentucky offices of the law firm Taft Stettinius & Hollister, was selected for inclusion in the 2015 edition of Best Lawyers in America in the areas of commercial litigation and corporate law. His practice focuses on business disputes, with a particular expertise in the areas of products liability, competitive practices/unfair competition, insurance, and construction litigation. Hayden lives in Cincinnati.

1990s


Journalist and baseball historian Ryan N. Whirty, B.A., ’95, M.A., ’05, won the 2015 Tweed Webb Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society for American Baseball Research Negro Leagues Conference in Pittsburgh. He earned the top award of the annual conference for his blog, homeplatedon’tmove.wordpress.com, which has highlighted the accomplishments of dozens of forgotten Negro League stars over the years, including several who died penniless and are buried in unmarked graves. Whirty, a former Indiana University Alumni Magazine intern, lives in Gretna, Louisiana. Whirty minored in political science while at IU.

Rebecca Gole Geyer, B.A., ’96, J.D., ’98, is the president of the Indiana Chapter of the National Association of Elder Law Attorneys, a not-for-profit association of lawyers who work with older clients and their families. She has served for five years as a member of the organization. An attorney in private practice, Geyer is also an adjunct professor of elder law at the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law in Indianapolis.

In January, the Marion County Bar Association, an affiliate of the National Bar Association, the nation’s oldest and largest network of predominantly black attorneys and judges, announced its 2015 executive officers and board of directors. The executive officers are: Terrance T. Tharpe, J.D., ’03, Indiana Court of Appeals, president; Roxana Bell, J.D., ’11, Bingham Greenebaum Doll, president-elect; Amber Nicole Ying, J.D., ’04, American College of Education, vice president and Indiana State Bar Association liaison; Hon. Noell F. Taylor-Allen, J.D., ’07, Indiana Civil Rights Commission, treasurer; Detra L. Mills, BGS, ’99, J.D., ’11, Mills Law, corresponding secretary and Indianapolis Bar Association liaison; and Carlton L. Martin, B.A., ’09, J.D., ’12, Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic, recording secretary. The MCBA 2015 board members are: Cassandra Bentley McNair, BS’01, J.D., ’04, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana; Pamela G. Grant-Taylor, MS’02, J.D., ’06, Law Office of Pamela Grant-Taylor; Jimmie L. McMillian Jr., B.A., ’98, J.D., ’02, Barnes & Thornburg; Hon. Fallon Coleman-Hadley, B.A., ’05, J.D., ’09, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Andrea Sheneman Ciobanu, BGS’04, MPA’06, J.D., ’10, Ciobanu Law; and Richard D. Hailey, J.D., ’74, Ramey & Hailey.

2000s

In May, Mark W. Bina, B.A., ’00, a partner in the national law firm Quarles & Brady, was elected to the board of directors of Chicago Volunteer Legal Services. CVLS is the oldest civil pro bono organization in Chicago, comprising more than 3,000 attorneys who donate free legal services to thousands of low-income residents. Bina practices in Quarles & Brady’s litigation and dispute resolution and health law practice groups. He lives in Highland Park, Illinois.

In March, Gavin Mariano, B.A., ’01, MSW, ’14, received a social worker license from the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency. In May 2015, he celebrated 14 years at the Crisis Center Inc. in Gary, Indiana, where he began working after he graduated from IU. Mariano lives in Merrillville, Indiana.

James A. Ponce, B.A., ’01, was one of four alumni invited to return to the Bloomington campus as IU College of Arts and Sciences Luminaries in November 2014.
As Chicago city director for the C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group, Ponce works in the Office of Mayor Rahm Emanuel to drive environmental and economic benefits in Chicago. He focuses on energy efficiency, sustainable infrastructure finance, and market-driven resource stewardship.

Marie E. Harf, B.A., ’03, was also one of four IU Bloomington College of Arts and Sciences alumni invited back to campus to participate in the College’s Luminaries program in November 2014. She is deputy spokeswoman for the U.S. Department of State, where she oversees daily press briefings. During the 2012 presidential election, Harf was responsible for national security and foreign policy issues on President Barack Obama’s re-election campaign. She was unable to attend the Luminaries program, as she had to accompany Secretary of State John Kerry at Iranian nuclear negotiations.

Strategic advocate Elizabeth Lewis Baney, B.A., ’04, J.D., ’07, has rejoined FaegreBD Consulting as a senior director on the firm’s health and biosciences team in Washington, D.C. She is responsible for creating and implementing public policy solutions for corporations, trade associations, not-for-profits, government entities, and individuals on issues involving health care, technology, and intellectual property. She also serves as legal counsel with FaegreBD Consulting’s parent company, Faegre Baker Daniels. B.A., ney lives in Alexandria, Virginia.

Adam C. Schau, B.A., ’05, MBA, ’12, and Elizabeth A. “Liska” Radachi, MA, ’09, of Washington, D.C., were married in Beck Chapel on the IU campus in October 2014. Schau is a strategy and operations manager for Microsoft’s international public sector services in the Washington, D.C., metro area. Radachi is associate director of development in the College of Education at the University of Maryland. Schau is the son of Duane J. Schau, B.A., ’89, who works for IU Bloomington’s University Information Technology Services, and Natalia (Browar), B.A., ’89, M.A., ‘10, who works as an academic advisor for the University Division on the IU Bloomington campus.

In June, Jason R. Sprinkle, B.A., ’12, joined the IU Foundation’s Office of Gift Planning Services. He previously worked for the Office of the Chief Legal Counsel at the Indiana Senate. He will initially divide his time between the Bloomington and Indianapolis offices of the IU Foundation.

In July, the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation announced that three recent IU graduates among the newest class of Woodrow Wilson Indiana Teaching Fellows. The 49 fellows include Sarah K. Cukrowicz, BFA/B.S., ’13, Thomas A. Sheppard, B.S., ’15, and Caitlynn Richardson, B.A., ’15. The highly competitive program recruits recent graduates and career changers with strong backgrounds in science, technology, engineering, and math and prepares them to teach in high-need secondary schools. Each fellow receives $30,000 to complete a specially designed master’s degree program. In return, fellows commit to teach for three years in urban and rural Indiana schools that most need strong STEM teachers.

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We are grateful to those who have made contributions to the department during the last few years and wish in particular to acknowledge the generosity and long-term impact of those who have given endowments to the department. All of these generous gifts, large and small, enrich our programs and provide us with invaluable resources. In addition to donating for unspecified purposes - always useful in any department! - the generosity of our community allowed us to offer the new Snodgrass undergraduate scholarship and we hope that new donations will allow us to establish a Graduate Travel Fund and a Lecture Series Fund in the near future.

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