



Rhodes
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***International
Studies***

The International Studies Department has had a very busy and rewarding semester. The department again had a large graduating class, and a number of students won honors, did interesting senior papers and intern-ships, and looked forward to graduate school, law school or jobs. The faculty meanwhile continued to publish books, articles, travel, and give interviews to the press. Also one was married; one was engaged.

The Department has also expanded its home page. Do look in for a full overview of the courses taught as well as various other information. The address for the site is "<http://www.is.rhodes.edu>."

Students

In May, the Department graduated 24 students with majors and 4 minors in I.S. 2 graduated magna cum laude 6 graduated cum laude. 1 graduated Phi Beta Kappa. 1 graduated with honors.

The names of the seniors in alphabetical order:

Frank Burhart	Beth Lacaeyse
Stanley Burke	Cecelia Magnacca
Megan Crowell	Hank Marchal
Chelsey Dickinson	Meredith Miller
Michael Dowdy	Heather Moore
D.C. Drake	Phuong Nguyen
Richard Finch	Christopher Parkerson
Patrick Fisher	Jenny Phillips
Mary Kent Harrison	Danny Riederer
Matthew Johnson	John Rodriguez
Julie Johnston	Elise Ruddick
Whitney King	Joanne Mary Samaha
Sandi Klotwog	Billy Anne Snodgrass
Emily Kurzeka	Cass Whetsell

Senior papers

Less than half of the seniors wrote papers in two sections of the Senior Tutorial the second semester. The names of the students and their works are as follows:

Frank Burhart, "Political Leadership in Planned Revo-lutions"

Stan Burke, "The Cancer of Corruption in Mexico"

Patrick Fisher, "Narco-Democracy or True Democracy: What is Mexico's Future?"

Beth Lacaeyse, “ A Force of Change: The Palestinian Women’s Liberation Movement.”*

Meredith Miller, “The Demise of Kingmaking in Mexico.”

Jenny Phillips, “Civil Society and Political Liberalization in Mexico

Jarred Pittman, “Turkey and the European Union: Barriers to Entry.”

Cass Whetsell, “A Reluctant European: The United Kingdom and Economic and Monetary Union.”

Andy Wildman, “Contemporary Chinese Communism: Myth or Reality?”

*Completed term 1

Student Awards

The following students received recognition and, with it, accompanying awards at the Awards Con-vo-cation in April:

The Bobby Doughtie Memorial Award
Judith Smelser

The Donald J. Gattas Award for Middle Eastern Studies
Michael Dowdy and Beth Lacaesye

Anne Rorie Memorial Award
Heather Moore*

*Heather also graduated with honors from the International Studies Department.

Student Journal

Students continued publication of *Modus Vivendi*—the only known student run journal in the field in an undergraduate institution. Students also contributed the articles published.

Elizabeth Markovits was Editor-in-Chief. The Assistant Editor was Lizzy Lokey; Copy editors were Yoha-an Demel, Chad Myers, and Matthew Wohlfarth.

Modus Vivendi Vol. II, Issue I published the following articles:

Elise Ruddick, “Strange Bedfellows: Chirac and the European Union”

Anne Hardwick, “Fran Muhammad to Present: Islamic Law and Women”

Alan Dossey, “Argentina’s Peron: Populist Patronage with Authoritarian Aspects”

Heather Moore, “International Crime and Integration: The Development of Europol”

Courtney Spivey, “The Invisible Society: Women and Culture in the Middle East”

Internships

Eleven students did I.S. internships in the second semester under Professor Copper’s supervision.

Julie Bhattacharya, Senator Bill Frist
Sara Briggs, Federal Express
Patrick Fisher, Federal Express
Julie Johnston, Federal Express
Emily Kurzeka, Smith and Nephews
Beth Lacaeyse, Buckman Laboratories
Jenny Phillips, Buckman Laboratories
Danny Riederer, Buckman Laboratories
John Rodriguez, US Dept. of Commerce
Cass Whetsell, Maybelline

Kevin Willoughby and **Erin Riches** obtained internships in the White House and went to rub elbows with high officials in the U.S. government. Kevin is in the Vice President’s Legislative Affairs Office. Erin is working in the White House Press Relations Office. Professor Copper helped make this contact for the students and follow-up arrangements.

Stephanie Shackelford will intern with Senator Fred Thompson this summer.

Viktoria Ziebarth will be interning with the Heritage Foundation in Washington, DC this summer.

Heather Caldwell is interning with NATO in Brussels.

Model United Nations

This semester was very successful for the Model United Nations Club. The club organized its annual Mid-South Model UN Conference for Memphis area high school students under the direction of Secretary General **Kevin Gideon**. The club also traveled to St. Louis to participate in the Mid-West Model UN Conference and represented France and the Ivory Coast; Head Delegates were **Julie Bhattacharya** and **Stanley Burke**.

Anthea Parkerson won an honorable mention for her performance in Working Group while representing France.

Dr. Kaltenthaler was the club’s advisor and traveled with them to St. Louis.

New officers for the club for ‘96-’97 are as follows. President: **Yohaam Demel**; Vice President: **Anthea Parkerson**; Treasurer: **Hunter Phillips**; and Secretary: **Amanda Bethel**. Congratulations!

Great Decisions

Twenty-one students participated in Great Decisions second term along with a number of people from the Rhodes community. Professor Copper administered the class. Eight lectures were given by I.S. faculty.

The speakers and topics were:

Professor Copper, “The Intelligence Community: Time for Reform?”

Professor Kaltenthaler, “Foreign Policy and the U.S. Political System.”

Professor Copper, “Economic Cooperation in the Asian Pacific: Openings for the U.S.?”

Professor Kamrava, “Water: A Dangerous Endangered Resource?”

Professor Michta, “Failing Nation States: What U.S. Response?”

Professor Kamrava, “Africa: Should the U.S. Care?”

Professor Michta, “NATO: Future Role in Europe?”

Professor Mora, “Mexico, Embattled Neighbor”

Student Conferences

Two I.S seniors presented papers at the Fourth Annual Latin American Studies Undergraduate Symposium held at Birmingham-Southern College in April under Professor Mora’s guidance.

Mary Kent Harrison wrote a paper entitled “The PRI and the Mexican Drug Trade: A Cancerous and Corrupting Duo.” **Jenny Phillips** did a paper on “Civil Society and the Democratization of Mexico.”

Faculty

Professor John Copper became the author of his nineteenth book with the publication of the second edition of *Taiwan: Nation-State or Province?* (Boulder: Co: Westview Press)—if second editions count as another book. Dr. Copper enlarged the first edition, which was published in 1990, by seventy percent and updated the book throughout. The first edition sold very well and the press asked John to do this second edition. One scholar commented that this is the only second edition book on Taiwan.

The publication *Taiwan: Nation-State or Province?* —in combination with China conducting missile tests off Taiwan’s two major ports—got John a number of interviews with the media, including *U.S.A. Today*, UPI (from Beijing), *Congressional Quarterly*, the News Hour (formerly McNeal-Laher), ABC radio, Christian Science Monitor Radio, *Commercial Appeal*, Channel 5, 79 Radio in Memphis, and more. The publication of the book was also marked by a book signing at David Kidd Bookstore in Memphis and Sydney Kramer Bookstore in Washington, DC.

Professor Copper also had published (by the University of Maryland School of Law) a monograph on Taiwan’s 1995 election. This was the product of field research done over Christmas vacation last year in Taiwan; Dr. Copper did extensive interviews with candidates, election commission officials and others at the time.

John also wrote a short piece on Taiwan’s presidential election that was syndicated by NAPS. In January, Dr. Copper spoke at the annual meeting of

the World League for Freedom and Democracy in Taipei on "A New Balance of Forces in East Asia." In February, he spoke at the University of San Francisco and in March at the Heritage Foundation in Washington (on Taiwan's presidential election) and at Dickenson College in Pennsylvania (on the rise of China). In April, John presented a paper on democracy and election politics at National Central University in Taiwan.

More important than any of this... Dr. Copper was married in February, the result of a Valentine's Day proposal. His wife, Wei Ping, was born in North China (in a forced labor camp, her parents having been labeled as counter-revolutionaries and incarcerated during Mao's anti-rightist campaign in the late 1950s). Though she was not able to attend school when she was young, also being labeled a counterrevolutionary, things changed after Mao's death and she graduated from university in Beijing. Wei Ping subsequently came to the U.S. and got an M.A. degree and is about to get her PhD. (She is now finishing her dissertation.)

Professor Mehran Kamrava presented a paper on Civil Society and Political Democratization in Comparative Perspective: Lessons from Latin America and the Middle East" (with Professor Mora) at the University of Warwick in the U.K. in February. This article will be published soon.

Dr. Kamrava's next book, *Democracy in the Balance: Culture and Society in the Middle East* will be published soon by Chatham House Publishers.

Mehran's biggest accomplishment was getting engaged to Melissa Canli in March. Melissa, whose father is Turkish, was born in Turkey and speaks Turkish.

In May, Professor Kamrava traveled to Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt and Jordan to do research on the role of Islamic parliamentary opposition groups in these countries. He did extensive interviews with past and current members of parliament in each country.

Professor Karl Kaltenthaler's article entitled "The Dynamics of Public Opinion towards European Integration" was published in the recent issue of *European Journal of International Relations*. Dr. Kaltenthaler is also working on a book that will be sent to the publishers soon.

Karl presented two papers at professional meetings: the Midwest Political Science Association meeting and the Southwest Political Science Association meeting. And he spoke at the Cabal Club on European integration.

Dr. Kaltenthaler was also recently named the P.K. Siedman Fellow in International Political Economy. Congratulations!

Professor Kaltenthaler traveled to Germany in June to conduct interviews with policy makers and interest group leaders. The interviews concerned monetary politics and recent efforts to shrink the size of the Germany welfare state.

Professor Andrew Michta recently completed the Wilson Center research fellowship and the book manuscript *The Military and Transition to Democracy: The Polish Army After 1989*. Dr. Michta also spoke at a conference on Polish security policy after 1989 at the Ohio State University. He also wrote several book reviews and was interviewed several times by the *Voice of America* in Washington D.C. and by local news media.

Dr. Michta also set up the Web server for the IS department and developed the IS Web page.

Professor Frank Mora published a book chapter-- "Brazil and the Southern Cone," in Bruce M. Bagley, (ed), *Drug Trafficking Research in the Americas*

(Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 1996); two articles-- "The United States and Latin America," *Contemporary Review*, January 1996; and "It's Latin America, Stupid," *Latin Review of Books*, April 1996; and a paper "The Study of Democratization in Latin America," that appeared in *Proceedings of the Third Annual Latin American Studies Symposium*, Birmingham-Southern College.

Frank also served as a consultant to the war game simulation on low intensity conflict at Maxwell Air Force Base, US Air Force School of Advanced Airpower Studies in March and gave a briefing entitled "Post-Cold War U.S. National Security Threats in Latin America" at that same institution in March.

Along with Professor Kamrava, he presented a paper on "Civil Society and Political Democratization in Comparative Perspective: Lessons from Latin America and the Middle East" at a conference at the University of Warwick in the U.K. in February.

Professor Mora was also instrumental in launching the newly approved Latin American Studies Program (an interdisciplinary curriculum combining courses from the International Studies, History, Spanish, Anthropology/Sociology). Students will have an opportunity to get a major or minor in Latin American Studies and with it the opportunity to study in Chile or Argentina.

In addition Professor Mora was named the J.S. Siedman Research Fellow and will begin work in August of 1996.

Frank also received a \$4000 grant from the American College of the South (ACS) and Bell South to expand the use of technology in a Latin American studies classroom and research.

Speakers

Professor Bruce Bagley from the Graduate School of International Studies at the University of Miami presented a lecture on "Drug Trafficking and the Colombian Crisis" on March 11.

Lt. Col. Tony Pala of the U.S. Air Force lectured on "Peace-keeping and its Effects on Civil-Military Relations: The Argentine Experience" on March 25.

Ilya Prizel, Associate Professor & Director of East European Area Studies at SAIS at Johns Hopkins University spoke at Rhodes on the "Russian Presidential Election: What It Means for the Future."

Dr. Jack Knight, Associate Professor of Political Science at Washington University was invited by Prof. Kaltenthaler to speak at Rhodes about institutions and social conflict on April 8.

Alumni News

Jeff Moore ('86) is pursuing an MBA degree at Cornell's Johnson Graduate School of Management. Jeff worked for the United States Information Agency for several years and qualifies as a Russian expert.

Kristal Marlow ('91) is an attorney with the Civil Division, Office of Immigration Litigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

Deb Chan ('91) works for the Japanese Embassy in Washington, DC.

Pat Stuart ('91) is an international economist with the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

Catherine Cozart ('95) will be attending Georgetown University to earn a M.A. in Latin American Studies.

Jennifer Eason ('95) will be at the University of Denver starting this summer, pursuing an M.A. degree in International Studies.

Tom Dilworth ('91) received his M.A. in International Affairs from George Washington University on December. Tom is now working for Berman and Company, a government relations and human resources consulting firm.

Russell Porter ('89) has recently returned from a trip to Latin America where he served as the spokesman for Brian Atwood, Administrator for USAID. Russell will be attending Johns Hopkins SAIS in the fall and will get married on August 3 in D.C. Congratulations!