Greetings from the Department of Political Science!

Thank you to all those who were able to attend our happy hour on May 3rd. It was lovely to see you and catch up on all the exciting things that have been happening to you since our last encounter. Please don't be shy about sending us updates as your lives unfold. We are always delighted to hear from former students and see what directions you've taken after leaving the College of Charleston!

Below are some highlights we'd like to share with you:

**Alumni Spotlight with Stephen Osborne '73**
Former Interim President Stephen Osborne '73, or President Oz as he liked to be called, brought a unique perspective to his role as President as both an alumnus of the college as well as a former administrator. As he prepares to end his time as president and turn the reins over to President Hsu, he reflected on his time at CofC, both in a political science major and as a long-serving administrator.

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**Faculty Spotlight with Dr. Annette Watson**
If you're looking for geography professor Dr. Annette Watson, you'll have to search anywhere from the salmon-filled Yukon River in Alaska to the banks of the marshy Stono River near Charleston. If you're on campus you might find her in the political science building or over in SSMB where she fulfills her role as the Director of the Master of Environmental Studies (MES) program.

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**Student Spotlight with Zainab Dossaji**
For political science major Zainab Dossaji '20, a major part of the classroom has been the offices of the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, an elephant preserve in Cambodia, the city of Amman, Jordan, and the Harvard Kennedy School's Public Policy Leadership Conference. She credits the political science department with helping and encouraging her to participate in these experiential learning opportunities.

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**Faculty Sabbatical Updates**
Did you notice that a few familiar faces were missing around the political science offices this year? Three of our faculty members (Dr. Gibbs Knotts, Dr. Chris Day, and Dr. Claire Wofford) were on sabbatical during the 2018-2019 academic year and took that time to focus on their research. For this blog post they've provided us with some updates of how they spent their time!

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**Senior Spotlight**
All year long we've been featuring some of our amazing seniors in our weekly senior spotlights. Check out the gallery through the link below to see everyone and find highlights for the year. Click on any senior spotlight tile to learn more about the student. Congratulations to our 2019 graduating class!

[Check out the Gallery of Senior Spotlights »]

**Request for Panelists**
We hope to run two sessions of our Career Café Series in the Fall and we can't do it without you! This series introduces undergraduates to alumni and the careers they've chosen after graduation. The panels run for just one hour and include a "Q & A" with students. If you live in the Charleston area, we will be coming to you, considering being a panelist? Well now is your time! If interested, send an email to Tracey Andrews at andrewst@cofc.edu for more details.

Stay connected with us on Facebook where you'll see more spotlight events and programming to keep you up to date on the latest news!