Department of Political Science

School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Annual Report 2008-2009
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I. Executive Summary

After the largest graduating class in our history walked across the stage at the Cistern in May of 2008 the Department has replenished its cadre of talented majors by offering exciting new courses, a robust array of speakers and events, and a wide range of other learning opportunities.

The accomplishments of our students in 2008-2009 are quite remarkable. Kristen Thompson became the ninth political science major to win the College’s most prestigious academic honor, the Bishop Robert Smith Award. Nick Shalosky was elected to the District 20 School Board in Charleston County, 7 students conducted year long bachelor’s essay research, 18 completed internships with a variety of campaigns, nonprofits, and government agencies, and many more did volunteer work. More than sixty students took part in some form of study abroad, including travel courses.

And the MPA program was fully reaccredited through 2013 and produced the largest graduating class in its 30 year history.

Student organizations affiliated with the Department were among the most active on campus, generating enthusiastic crowds before and after the fall elections. Hundreds of students jammed into Yo Burrito for the Political Science Club’s “Yo Decide” viewings of Presidential debates and dozens volunteered in local campaigns, often as part of their coursework. Several candidates for national and local office appeared on campus, many through a partnership between the Political Science and Communication Departments. The Department developed another successful convocation of majors, featuring Professor Cynthia Enloe, and supported by many of our friends in other Departments. Professor Enloe spoke about women in the war in Iraq; her visit to campus included visits to two classes and a breakfast with students the morning after her talk.

Other events included a faculty roundtable on campaign finance with Massie Ritsch from the Center for Responsive Politics, a talk by General T. Michael Moseley on the global strategic landscape, a Constitution Day roundtable on voting rights moderated by Judge Sanders, a roundtable on the college wide convocation, a weekly Southern Africa Film Series, an education policy forum moderated by Marguerite Archie-Hudson, a talk by Pat Cadell (former pollster and political advisor to President Carter), research presentations on post apocalyptic fiction (Dr. Curtis) and China’s modernization and prospects for political reform (Dr. Liu), the College of Charleston Model UN, a wide array of pre-law events coordinated by Dr. Mann, and a session with city and county managers coordinated by the MPA Student Association and Dr’s Stewart and Creed.

The faculty began the year bidding farewell to Professor Angela Halfacre (now at Furman University) and Patrick Hurley (now at Ursinus College), thanking Lynne Ford for her incredibly successful service as chair, and welcoming five new faculty members (Kendra Stewart, Helen Delfeld, Tim Lapira, Annette Watson, and Kea Gorden) and a new Chair (Dr. Jos). Dr. Lynne Ford and Dr. Jack Parson enjoyed much deserved sabbaticals. Dr. John Creed served ably as Associate Chair and was honored by the Higdon Leadership Center as Student Group Advisor of the Year for his work with Americans for Informed Democracy and received an Excel Award for Outstanding Faculty in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. With all the changes in faculty and in the Chair’s office the person most responsible for keeping the Department moving forward was Erin Blevins, a truly extraordinary administrative coordinator. Beyond her contributions to the day to day operations of the Department she serves as an advisor and mentor to students. She was
responsible for our most successful alumni event to date, a reunion on the Cistern as part of “A Charleston Affair.”

Our Department lost one of its founding members and finest teachers when Bill Moore died suddenly in March. Bill would be proud to know that dozens of alumni, students, faculty, and community members have contributed to the William V. Moore Fund in Political Science. These donations will support student scholarships, speakers, and faculty development. As one truly committed to the teacher scholar model he would no doubt applaud the innovative teaching and dynamic research among the faculty this year. Our Department’s class evaluations are significantly above the College average and the faculty produced two books, had ten journal articles and books chapters published or accepted for publication, as well as a major exhibition at the City Gallery at Waterfront Park.

As we prepare for 2009-2010 we thank departing faculty members Catherine Veninga and Nick Velluzzi for their service and wish them well in New York City and we welcome Kevin Keenan (Clark University) and P. Brian Fisher (University of California—Irvine).

II. Political Science By the Numbers

392 Political Science majors (see p. 32).

268 Entries written by Dr. Lynne Ford for her Encyclopedia of Women in American Politics. (see p. 18)

172 Pre-law students who met with Dr. Mann.

104 Undergraduate courses taught.

102 Students graduated with degrees in Political Science.

84 Alumni and graduating seniors attending “A Charleston Affair” (see p. 11-12).

62 Majors studying abroad (see p. 27).

49 Political Science minors

44 Pi Sigma Alpha initiates (see p. 20)

23 Students graduating with the Masters of Public Administration (see p. 41).

18 Students completing internships (see p. 26).
Community talks given by John Creed

Number of POLS majors who have won the Bishop Robert Smith Award (including this year’s winner—Kristen Thompson (see p. 19).

Bachelor’s essays completed (see p. 25)

New faculty (see p. 15)

Books written or edited by Dr. Guoli Liu (his most recent: Managing the China Challenge, Routledge, 2009, co-edited with Qaunsheng Zhao) (see p. 16).


III. A Year in Review

The Department continued its tradition of providing programming to engage students, faculty, and alumni in Political Science and across campus. The review that follows reflects the department’s commitment to exploring an annual theme, engaging important public issues, fostering interdisciplinary research and discussion, supporting career preparation for students, and celebrating and remembering the accomplishments of students and faculty.

Events in Support of the Department’s Annual Theme:
Bodies and Borders: Rethinking Security for the 21st Century

"Not for Sale Trade Show"
A workshop on human trafficking and how to stop it.
Organized by Americans for Informed Democracy
September 27, 2008

Paul Lauter: “Multiculturalism and Immigration Shock”
Co-sponsored by the Department of English and the Department of Political Science
October 8, 2008

The 21st Century & the Global Strategic Landscape
Moderator: Professor Kea Gorden
Speaker: General T. Michael Moseley (Retired)
Sponsored by the Department and by the Friends of the Library
January 14, 2009
Political Science Convocation of Majors
"Where Women Have Been in the Iraq War and Why it Matters?"
Speaker: Cynthia Enloe
Convener: Professor Claire Curtis
March 11, 2009


In the past two years Enloe has been the recipient of two awards in International Studies. In 2007 she was the first woman to receive the Susan Strange award “established in 1998 to recognize a person whose singular intellect, assertiveness, and insight most challenge conventional wisdom and intellectual and organizational complacency in the international studies community during the previous year.” In 2008 Enloe was the recipient of the Susan S. Northcutt Award, established and given by the women’s caucus of the International Studies Association. This award “recognizes a person who actively works toward recruiting and advancing women and other minorities in the profession, and whose spirit is inclusive, generous and conscientious.”

Enloe is a key figure in the pages of scholarly journals and the popular press on the impact of war on the lives of women and the consequences for all of us on associating war, security and masculinity.

Panel Discussion about Statelessness
Panelists include Helen Delfeld, Annette Watson, and Mark Long.
Hosted by Americans for Informed Democracy
April 8, 2009
Events: Engaging Ideas in a Public Forum

Constitution Day
Panel Discussion: Voter Rights and Voting Challenges
Moderator: Judge Alexander Sanders, Jr.
Participants included Jared Esselman, Student Government Association
September 16, 2008

Yo' Decide 2008: Presidential Debate Watch Party
Sponsored by the Political Science Club
September 26, 2008

Libertarian Presidential Candidate Bob Barr Address
Hosted by the Political Science Club
September 30, 2008

Yo' Decide 2008: Vice Presidential Debate Watch Party
Sponsored by the Political Science Club
October 2, 2008

Project Vote Smart Bus on campus
Physician's Promenade.
October 3, 2008

Yo' Decide 2008: Presidential Debate Watch Party
Sponsored by the Political Science Club
October 7, 2008

Yo' Decide 2008: Presidential Debate Watch Party
Sponsored by the Political Science Club
October 15, 2008

Money, Media, and the 2008 Election
Massie Ritsch, (Center for Responsive Politics) is joined by Professor LaPira, Professor Moore, and Professor Michael Lee and Brian McGee (Dept. of Communication). Co-sponsored by the Department of Political Science, Democracy Matters and the Department of Communication
October 17, 2008
Meet Congressional Candidate Linda Ketner  
Sponsored by Department of Communication, Department of Political Science and the Americans for Informed Democracy  
October 22, 2008

Meet U.S. Senate Candidate Bob Conley  
Sponsored by the Department of Communication, Political Science and Americans for Informed Democracy.

Participants: Professors John Creed, Helen Delfeld, David Hinton, and Tim LaPira.  
Sponsored by SGA, Americans for Informed Democracy, and Honors Student Association  
October 30, 2008

College of Charleston Model UN  
Organizers: Guoli Liu, Helen Delfeld, Kea Gorden, John Creed  
April 11, 2009

Events: Interdisciplinary Discussion and Research

Time and Space in the Modern World  
A College Wide Convocation Panel Discussion  
Professors Long, Watson, Veninga, Curtis, and Velluzzi.  
August 28, 2008

Southern Africa Film Series  
Organizer: Kea Gorden  
Most Tuesdays January through April

Race, gender and politics  
Moderator: Professor Marguerite Archie-Hudson  
Hosted by The Women's & Gender’s Studies Program  
October 16, 2008

"Post Apocalyptic Fiction and the Social Contract"  
A Talk by Professor Claire Curtis  
October 3, 2008

Education Policy Forum: Where is the Rescue Plan for Public Education?  
Moderator: Professor Marguerite Archie-Hudson  
Participants include Dr. Fran Welch, Mr. Charles Benton and Dr. Doug Gepford  
October 30, 2008

Meeting with Local Experts on City/County Management  
Professor Creed and Stewart hosted: Mac Burdette (Town Administrator, Mount Pleasant), Linda Tucker (Town Administrator, Isle of Palms), Dennis Harmon (City of Goose Creek Administrator), and Eric DeMoura (Deputy Town Administrator for Mount Pleasant).  
February 9, 2009
Speaker: Patrick Caddell, Pollster, former Presidential Advisor
“Politics and Communication in the Age of Obama.”
Sponsored by the Department of Communication and the Department of Political Science
February 13, 2009

Pat Cadell makes a point in his talk on “Politics and Communication in the Age of Obama”

Dr. Mark Horowitz Lecture: King George and King Barack
Sponsored by the Departments of History and Political Science and the School of Business and Economics.
February 18, 2009

"China’s Modernization and Political Reform"
Sabbatical Research Presentation
Dr. Guoli Liu, Professor of Political Science
February 20, 2009

Bachelor's Essay Research Presentations
April 28, 2009

Events: Exploring Careers

Pre-law Advising Session
Professor Mann
September 4, 2008

"Is Graduate School the next step for me?"
Professors John Creed, Kendra Stewart, Annette Watson, and Kea Gorden
November 10, 2008

Mock Admissions: Taking the mystery out of the law school admission process
Professor David Mann
Sponsored by Elon University School of Law
November 10, 2008
Meet Law School Admissions Deans
Professor David Mann
Mississippi College School of Law, University of Tennessee, and Mercer (George School of Law)
November 12, 2008

Personal Statement Workshop with USC Law School Admissions Dean Issa Disciullo
Professor David Mann
November 18, 2008

Tommy Pope, former solicitor, "Caught in the Camera Eye: Prosecuting the High Profile Case".
January 29, 2009

Job Search Seminar for POLS and MPA Students
Denny Ciganovic, Director of the Career Center
Monday, February 9

Richmond and Charleston Admissions Deans: "Mock Admissions"
Professor Mann
March 19, 2009

Events: Remembering, Celebrating

Bill Moore: A Remembrance
Stern Center Gardens
March 31, 2009

Dr. Parson pays tribute to Bill Moore and reminds those gathered of Bill’s commitment to public education in South Carolina and the need to speak out against further reductions in state funding for higher education.
Memorial for Professor Bill Moore

Speakers included: Fred Carter, Alex Sanders, Sam Hines, Abby Edwards Saunders, Phil Jos; Rev. John W. Hipp from the Bethel United Methodist Church.
April 13, 2009

Abby Edwards (class of 1994) speaks at the April 13 Memorial for Professor Bill Moore

Political Science Student Awards Reception
April 16, 2009

Jared Esselman, Political Science Club President, presents the Faculty of the Year Award to Dr. Helen Delfeld

Political Science Alumni Reunion Tent at "A Charleston Affair"
84 alumni and graduating seniors visited with political science faculty
April 25, 2009
Political Science Alumni Reunion Tent at “A Charleston Affair” April 25, 2009
84 political science alumni and graduating seniors attended the event.

MPA Program Graduation Reception
The Courtyard
May 8, 2009

Political Science Graduation Reception
The Courtyard
May 9, 2009

Happy Political Science Graduates in the Courtyard after Commencement
Victoria Nagel, Cheryl Bruce and Patrice Meredith.
IV. The Faculty

Faculty and Courses Taught in 2008-2009

Roster Faculty

John Creed, Associate Professor, Associate Chair of the Department
  International Relations Theory, American Foreign Policy, Politics of the Middle East, Capstone: War
Claire Curtis, Associate Professor, Interim Director, Women’s Studies Program
  Politics and Political Inquiry I, Utopia/Dystopia,
  Contemporary Liberalism, Capstone: Politics of the End, Field Internship, Honors Western Civilization
Helen Delfeld, Assistant Professor
  International Relations Theory, International Environmental Politics, Human Rights Law, World Politics
Arthur Felts, Professor; Director of the Riley Center
  Capstone (MPA)
Lynne E. Ford, Professor, on sabbatical
Hollis France, Associate Professor
  World Politics, International Political Economy, spring sabbatical
Douglas Friedman, Associate Professor; Director of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies program
Philip H. Jos, Professor, Chair of the Department
  Perspectives on Public Administration (MPA), Capstone: Work
Tim LaPira, Assistant Professor
  American Government, Political Parties and Interest Groups, Congress
Guoli Liu, Professor
  Soviet and Russian Politics, Case Studies in Foreign Policy, World Politics, Chinese Politics, Capstone: Politics At Home and Abroad
Mark Long, Associate Professor, Fall 2008 sabbatical; World Regional Geography, Geography and Politics of the European Union.
David Mann, Professor; Coordinator of the Pre-law Program
  American Government, Politics and Political Inquiry II, Constitutional Law
William V. Moore, Distinguished Professor
  Southern Politics, Extremist Politics, Capstone: Campaigns and Elections, Honors American Government
Jack Parson, Professor, on sabbatical, Model African Union
Alex Sanders, Professor
  Law and Society
Kendra Stewart, Associate Professor, MPA Director.
  Politics and Political Inquiry I, Nonprofit Administration (MPA) Administrative Accountability & Ethics (MPA).
Annette Watson, Assistant Professor
  World Regional Geography Environmental Geography, Political Ecology (EVSS).
Catherine Veninga, Assistant Professor
  World Regional Geography, Urbanization and Urban Geography, Field Internship

Visiting Faculty
Marguerite Archie-Hudson.
American Government/Learning Community, Introduction to Public Administration, State Legislatures and Legislative Policy Making, Introduction to Public Policy.


Nicholas Velluzzi.
Politics of Globalization, Geographies and Politics of Labor and Work, Theories of Urban and Regional Development (MPA); Local and Regional Development: Policy and Practice (MPA).

Professors Delfeld, Friedman, Curtis, and Veninga, along with graduating senior Lindsay Funderburk.

Adjunct Faculty

Tom Chorlton (American Government, LGBT Politics, Contemporary Political Issues)
Judge Robert Carr (Legal Conflict and Mediation)
Meredith Coker (Beginning Mock Trial)
David Hinton (Politics of Political Inquiry II, Western Civilization)
Jon Marcantel (Advanced Mock Trial)
Martin Tomlinson (Separation of Powers and Federalism, Criminal Justice)
Ann Walsh (Criminal Justice)

Professor Bill Moore (year 37) and Professor Annette Watson (year 1) at the Departmental faculty retreat.

Contributors From Other Departments
Michael Lee (Department of Communication)  
American Politics and Mass Media, Political Campaign Communication

Joshua Shanes (Jewish Studies)  
Modern Jewish Politics

Jeri Cabot (Student Affairs)  
American Government

Staff

Erin Blevins, Administrative Coordinator
Patrice Meredith, student worker

Spotlight on New Faculty

Dr. Helen Delfeld received her Ph.D. in Political Science from Rutgers University. Her primary teaching and research interests are in Human Rights Theory and Practice, Comparative Politics, and Women and Politics.

Dr. Kea Gorden received her Ph.D. from the Department of Politics at the University of California, Santa Cruz. She was a Visiting Scholar at the Center for Civil Society at the University of KwaZulu Natal, Durban. Her recent research explores prospects for democratization in post apartheid South Africa and her teaching interests include international

Dr. Tim LaPira received his Ph.D. in Political Science from Rutgers University. He has served as an editor at the Center for Responsive Politics and has taught at American University. His current research explores the influence of lobbyists on Congressional policymaking.
Professional Development: Selected Accomplishments

The faculty presented original research at dozens of professional conferences, provided leadership to many professional organizations and served the community in myriad ways, from serving on non-profit boards to giving talks to community groups, to working along side students on service-learning projects. Many of these activities are documented on their personal web sites and vitas, the accomplishments presented below is just a small sample.

Publications and Forthcoming Publications


Guoli Liu and Quansheng Zhao (editors) Managing the China Challenge: Perspectives from the Globe (Routledge, 2009).


Dr. Kendra Stewart joins us as Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Master of Public Administration program after serving as a member of the faculty at Eastern Kentucky University. She received her Ph.D from the University of South Carolina.

Dr. Annette Watson earned her PhD in Geography from the University of Minnesota. She was a Visiting Fellow at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks and her teaching and research interests include human, environmental geography, Political ecology and comparative indigenous politics.


**Nicholas Velluzzi** “Community Colleges, Clusters, and Competition: A case from Washington wine country.” Forthcoming in *Regional Studies.*


**Mark Long,** R. Bunch and R. Lloyd. 2009. “Measuring anti-Americanism in editorial cartoons” *Social Science Quarterly* 90[3].

**Mark Long,** 2009. “Memento mori: warnings from the American West and Antarctica” (curator) January 16–February 22, City Gallery at Waterfront Park, Charleston, SC

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*A photograph from “Memento mori: warnings from the American West and Antarctica,” presented at the City Gallery at Waterfront Park, Mark Long, curator.*

**Alexander M. Sanders, Jr.,** and Sally Logan *A Biography of Rev. I. DeQuincy Newman,* forthcoming, University of South Carolina Press.

**Awards, Honors, Appearances of Special Note**

**John Creed,** 2009 ExCEL Outstanding Faculty of the Year in Humanities and Social Sciences and 2009 Student Group Advisor of the Year, Higdon Leadership Center
Lynne E. Ford, Encyclopedia of Women and American Politics named one of Top 20 Reference Materials by the New York Public Library (in collaboration with the Brooklyn Public Library and Queens Public Library), April 2009.

Helen Delfeld, Named Political Science Faculty Member of the Year by the Political Science Club and invited lecture "The Hollow State: Human Rights and the State Imaginary" (European Science Foundation’s Conference on Post-Crisis State Transformation, Linkopeng Sweden).


Selected Professional and Community Service

Marguerite Archie-Hudson Member, Board of Directors, Coastal Community Foundation; Member, N.E.W. Fund Committee (evaluates applications for funding for community-based projects from low-income rural communities) Co-Chair International Trends Committee (developing curricula on Africa) and fundraising for Lowcountry Aid to Africa (LCAA).

Lynne E. Ford, APSA Departmental Services Committee, 2005-2008 Program Chair, Women and Politics Section, Southern Political Science Association, 2009 Meeting.


David Mann, Faculty Advisor to One in Four (provides training for educating men about sexual assault and rape), Director, Attorney Assistance Program (local attorney’s assist students with legal difficulties and questions).

Kendra Stewart, Board Chair, Southeastern Conference of Public Administration

Kendra Stewart, Elected councilmember, American Society for Public Administration

Annette Watson, Session Organizer, American Association of Geographers annual meeting “In the Heart of the Beast: Teaching World Regions, Critiquing Empire” “Lost in Translation: Collaborating with Community Partners”

Annette Watson, Panel presenter for panel on “Stateless Societies,” speaking about American Indian Tribes, Americans for Informed Democracy, March 2009
V. The Students

Special Awards and Recognition

Kristen Thompson  Bishop Robert Smith Award

Kristen Thompson (Political Science and Communication major) and Professor John Creed.

The Bishop Robert Smith Award is the highest academic honor that can be bestowed by the College of Charleston. Kristen Thompson is the ninth Political Science major to win the award. Three of the last four Smith Awards have gone to Political Science Majors.

Previous Bishop Robert Smith Award Winners in Political Science

1994 - Mary Abigail Edwards
1997 - Jessica Clancy
1998 - Melody Edelman
1999 - Matthew Czuchry
2000 - Billie Murray
2003 - John Rhodes Bailey
2006 - Rebecca Wieters
2008 - Kathryn Rogers
2009 - Kristen Thompson

Nick Shalosky  Charleston County School Board District 20

Nick Shalosky not only did an independent study with Dr. Moore on the impact of the internet on local campaigns, he used the technology to win a seat on the Charleston County School Board. The first openly gay elected official in the state, Nick was selected by The Advocate as one of the Top 40 Under the Age of 40 and has been selected for a summer training seminar sponsored by the Victory Fund,
School of Humanities and Social Sciences Scholars, 2008-2009

Alex Modly
Anne Thorsen
Kristen Thompson (double major Communication & Political Science)
Emily Snyder (awarded in Philosophy – double major)
Caitlin Campbell (political science minor, awarded in Anthropology)

Outstanding Student in the Major

Rebecca Band
Kristen Thompson
Courtney Hereford
Leah Montgomery
Rebecca Band

Alyson Grace Jamison Award:

Sarah Nobles

Transfer Student Award

Jared Austin Esselman


Kimberly Anderson   Cheryl Bruce   Karin Frida Holm   Kate Loveland
Kimberly Phillips   Alexandria Russell   Kathleen Sullivan

Pi Sigma Alpha: 2008-2009 Initiates

The department initiated 44 students at this spring at the Student Awards and Recognition Reception held on April 16, 2009 at 4:00p in the Admissions Auditorium in the Robert Scott Small Building. The Pi Sigma Alpha Best Paper Awards were announced at this reception and the winners are listed below.

Adam Cantrell Barrett   Johna Teresa Hungler
J. Rebecca Band   Avery E. Kepple
Lucas D. Bernhard   Rachel L. Koch
Frank Ross Brazil   Richard Boucher Landers
Cheryl Elizabeth Bruce   Joshua Langdon
Caroline Kinloch Burns   Meredith Jane MacDougall
Nick D. Bushyager   Demenia S. Mays
David Casamassa   Kyle E. Moseley
Lauren N. Cemate   Hamilton Osborne
Pi Sigma Alpha Best Paper Awards

**Required Course Papers:**

**Tie for First Place**
- Caroline Burns, “A Woman’s Agency in the Sex Industry”
- Kristin Thompson “What Causes Genocide”

**Tie for Second Place**
- Ann-Marie Quinn, “Political Petrocacy: Oil Rentier States and International Relations”
- Sanaz Arjomand, “The Viability of Economic Sanctions Against Iran”

**Political Science Departmental Honors**

Departmental Honors are awarded by the faculty to students in the major with a GPA of at least 3.5 in the major who have completed a minimum of 12 hours of independent work including a Bachelor’s Essay.

- Rebecca Band
- Anna Chard
- David Rosansky
- Jessica Studstill
- Kristen Thompson

**Scholarships Awarded for 2009-2010**

**Freshman Dengate (continuing)**
- Abby Kammeraad-Campbell

**Dengate (non-renewable)**
- Kimberly Anderson
- Sanaz Arjomand
- John Coffey
- Daniel Ritter
- Lily Winter

**Harper B. Keeler Award**
- Ann-Marie Quinn
Burnett Rhett Maybank Award
Caroline Burns

Alexander Dick Scholarship
Hamilton Osborne (Political Science and History major)

Political Science Honor Roll—Fall 2008

Students who carry a minimum of 12 hours of academic credit and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, are named to the semester’s honor roll.

Kimberly Susan Anderson       John Carter Foxgrover       Hamilton Osborne
Sanaz Afrooz Arjomand          Megan Lynn Gainey          Sweta Jagdishchandra Patel
Adam Cantrell Barrett          Paige Kirby Gamble          Lauren Elizabeth Patterson
Catherine Bruns Barthelme      Austin Tres Garland        Deborah Shannon Plant
Maxine E. Bier                 Michael James Gesme        Ann-Marie Quinn
Amanda Birkenhauer            Stephanie Denise Gillis      Emma Lynn Racila
Jonathan Bowen                Harrison Gunnells III       Daniel James Ritter
Frank Ross Brazil              Julia Hendricks V          Benjamin Daniel Robertson
Mark Joseph Bringardner        Douglas Allen Henley        Rory Blake Rodbell
Adam Laurent Brunelle          Danielle Michelle Hollingsworth David R. Rosansky
David James Casamassa          Christopher Edwin Howell    Casey Alena Scherer
Sarah Elizabeth Cawood         Valerie Claire Hudgins      Tyler Voss Showers
John W. Charin                 Keri R Hunigan            Emily Snyder
Morgan Elizabeth Cleary        Abigail Kammeraad-Campbell  Anne Edwards South
Kevin McGuire Cobb             Sarah Khouri               Jessica C. Studstill
John L. Coffey                 Thomas Peter Laffay       Kathleen M. Sullivan
Elizabeth Chase Connors        Kate Loveland             Kaitlyn Rebecca Swicegood
Patricia Cornacchia            Maggie Lyons               Lauren Elisabeth Swing
Samantha M. Culp               Demenia Shakarah Mays     Daniel William Taber
Todd G. Czaplicki              Adam Mitchell McConnaughhay Kristen N. Thompson
Emily Ann DeVoe                Heather Louise McEntire     Anne Russell Thorsen
Rebecca Shea Diaz              Andrew Lawrence Meggs       Alexander Tureman
Thomas Drazan                   Patrice Howard Meredith   Kira VonRichtthofen
Megan Elise Driggers           Alexandra R. Modly         Gwyn Adriane Waller
Brittany Anair Dunne           Hartland James Moede       Anne Gilbert Wallace
Anna Lorraine Dykema           Leah D. Montgomery        Ryan Joseph Watkins
Danielle Elizabeth Ely         Brian Christopher Mulhall   Robert Brandon Williams
Jessica Emerson                Charles Murchison          Tony Lee Williams
Jared Austin Esselman          Isaiah C. Nelson            Mallory Ann Wilson
Margaret Farrington            Cynthia N. Nichols        Lily A. Winter
Antonio Terrell Fielder        Nicole B. Noble            Allen Micheal Wright
Political Science Honor Roll —Spring 2009

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Caroline Allen   Austin Tres Garland   Hilary Brooke Nicholls
Kimberly Susan Anderson   Lindsey T. Goehring   Hamilton Osborne
Sanaz Afrooz Arjomand   Travis C. Gunn   Phillip T. Paradise
Leah Bamberger   John L. Hallman   Kimberly Louise Phillips
Jennie R. Band   Zachary Craig Hanson   Larrissa Phillips
Danielle S. Baxley   Jonathan Hart   Deborah Shannon Plant
Lucas Dominick Bernhard   Sarah Harvey   Ann-Marie Quinn
Maxine E. Bier   Robert S. Hayes   Frederick Elliott Quinn
Michael J. Bird   Julia V. Hendricks   Daniel James Ritter
Natalie S. Bogle   Michael Benjamin Hendley   Hallie J. Ritzu
Jonathan Bowen   Douglas Allen Henley   Benjamin Daniel Robertson
Frank Ross Brazil   Morgan McGuire Herlocker   Amy Louise Robertson
Ryan Renee Brennan   Courtney A. Hereford   Rory Blake Rodbell
Marianne Doris Brennan   Karin Frida Holm   Kathryn L. Rogers
Mark Joseph Bringardner   Christopher Edwin Howell   Helen M. Rosko
Adam Laurent Brunelle   Francis Clifton Hutto   Philip G. Saccullo
Caroline Kinloch Burns   Johna T. Hungler   Ashley Sinclair
Lindsay Carroll   Abigail Kammeraad-Campbell   Thomas E. Skwierawski
Lauren Nicole Cemate   Rex Allen Kehoe   Anne Edwards South
Anna Natalie Chard   Kristen Kelley   Lacy Diana Sproul
Kevin McGuire Cobb   Sarah Khouri   Sarah M. Straub
John L. Coffey   Rachel L. Koch   Meaghan Strickland
Brian J. Cohl   Thomas Peter Laffay   Jessica C. Studstill
Emily Correale   Elizabeth R. Lawrence   Kathleen M. Sullivan
Samantha M. Culp   Jennifer Suzanne Lemanowicz   Daniel William Taber
Benjamin Dangerfield   Jacob A. Lieberman   Ashleigh Tharp
Anthony B. Dargan   Rebecca Louise Lockhart   Kristen N. Thompson
Casey Louis Davidson   Kate Loveland   Anne Thorsen
Jarryd de Boer   Nelson C. Maddox   Christopher Paul Walker
Rebecca Shea Diaz   Adam Mitchell McConnaughhay   Kelsi A. Ward
Andrew L. Dinkelacker   Margaret McLean   Ryan Joseph Watkins
Elizabeth G. Donohue   Patrice Howard Meredith   Alexander Weedon
Vanessa Anne During   Alexandra R. Modly   Robert Brandon Williams
Matthew Daniel Edwards   Robert Mollohan   Elizabeth K. Wingfield
Danielle Elizabeth Ely   Sarah Molzan   Lily A. Winter
Jared Austin Esselman   Leah D. Montgomery
Jason Field   Jacquelin Mullen
Bradley Reese Gaber   Courtney L. Mullinax
Megan Lynn Gainey   Charles Murchison
Kenyatta L. Gardner

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Student Organizations Related to Political Science

The department supports a number of student clubs and organizations. Most directly, the Political Science Club, operates as a multi-partisan student organization dedicated to advancing dialogue and action related to politics. Professors Kendra Stewart and Kea Gorden served as advisors for the group this year. Jared Esselman served as President of the club. The club regularly sponsors debates, lectures, service projects, and social activities. The Club also co-sponsors events with the department, in particular the Convocation of Majors, and advises the faculty on areas of student interest. Organization funds, allocated by SGA, are used to cover the cost of food associated with events, film rental, speaker fees, and travel. This year, the club played a major role in events surrounding the 2008 elections. Literally hundreds of students packed the club’s “Yo Decide” gatherings and the club sponsored various speakers and forums.

The South Carolina Student Legislature (SCSL)

Continuing its tradition of civic engagement in public affairs, the College of Charleston delegation to the South Carolina Student Legislature (SCSL) was once again one of the strongest in the state and a leader in setting the agenda in the statewide mock legislative session. The delegation included:

Adrian Barry       Kate Barry
Scotti Cline        Jared Esselman
Caroline Eubanks    Will Freeman
Jose Gonzalez       Kyle Harbin
Daniel Ritter       Ben Robertson
Nick Shalosky       Lauren Swing
Kristen Thompson    Matthew Vaveris
Robert Williams     Ryan Yarrow
Americans for Informed Democracy (AID) promotes an interconnected world through awareness, advocacy and action. This academic year the group was extremely active, constructing a “Tent of Hope” on campus to facilitate programming and awareness raising about the genocide in Darfur, organizing candidate forums and issue panels connected with the 2008 election, registering College of Charleston student voters (over 500 registered on campus) and participating with other organizations in many events, including Adam Smith week.

The International Affairs Club is dedicated to educating students about the world and encouraging engagement in international affairs. Dr. Hollis France serves as the organization’s faculty advisor. Activities include invited lectures, films/discussions, and events designed to raise awareness of global issues.

Student Research

Independent Studies

In 2008-2009, political science students enrolled in 15 independent studies.

Fall 2008

Rebecca Band, “Sino-American Relations: Engagement or Containment?” (Guoli Liu)
Kathleen Sullivan, “Immigration Policy in Italy and the U.S.” (John Creed)
Ambria Justice, “Pinochet: Competing Perceptions” (Doug Friedman)
Kristen Thompson, ”Grassroots Organizing” (Claire Curtis)

Spring 2009

Caroline Burns, “Women and Children in War” (John Creed)
Anna Chard, “Applied Diplomacy” (Jack Parson)
Annie Dupree, “The ANC and Elections” (Kea Gorden)
Samantha Culp, “Water Scarcity and Food Futures” (John Creed)
Keri Hunigan, “Gendered Public Figures” (Claire Curtis)
Alex Modly, “Biodiversity Through Fiction” (Claire Curtis)
Hartland Moede, “Natural Resources and Russia’s Political Change” (Guoli Liu)
Casey Shearer, “Philosophy of Democracy” (Claire Curtis)
Nicholas Shalosky, “New Technology in Local Political Campaigns” (Bill Moore)
Lily Winter, “Women’s Rights in the Middle East” (Helen Delfeld)
Ryan Yarrow, “National Defense in China” (Guoli Liu)

Bachelor’s Essays

Rebecca Band

“Prospects for a Democratic China: A Composite Look at the Determinants of Democratization”
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Guoli Liu and Dr. John Creed

Anna Chard

“The effect of structural adjustment polices on vulnerability to HIV/AIDS infection in Kenya.”
Faculty Supervisors Mark Long and Hollis France.
Lindsay Funderburk
“The Effect of Transnational Environmental Activism on the Dynamics of Protest and Repression in Nigeria”
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. John Creed and Dr. Helen Delfeld

Alex Modly
“Mapping the Geography of Fear on the Charleston Peninsula”
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Catherine Veninga

David Rosansky
“The Responsibility to Protect: Implications of a Shift in Sovereignty”
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. John Creed

Jessica Studstill
“Plato’s Theory of Justice”
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Claire Curtis

Kristen Thompson
“Modern Slavery in South Carolina”
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. John Creed and Dr. Claire Curtis

Student Faculty Collaborations

“Study Abroad As a Tool for Redefining and Reconstructing National Identity in a Global Context” by Hollis France and Kaylee Rogers (2008 graduate) was initially presented at the American Political Science Association’s Teaching and Learning Conference in San Jose California in February of 2008. The paper is now being revised for publication.

Student Internships

Erin Blevins serves as Internship Coordinator, developing and maintaining internship opportunities, advising students, and supporting the work of the faculty member teaching the internship seminar.

Fall 2008 Internship Seminar—Dr. Catherine Veninga
Samantha Culp, Lowcountry Local First
Joseph Hoefer, Charleston County Public Defender’s Office
Keri Howell, SC Department of Juvenile Justice
Mark Koska, Charleston County Public Defender’s Office
Julia Luisi, Charleston County Solicitor’s Office
David Rosansky, PoliticsOnline

Spring 2009 Internship Seminar—Dr. Claire Curtis
Maggie Farrington, Mayor’s Office for Children, Youth and Families
Josh Fein, Keep Charleston Beautiful
Tiffany Islas, U.S. Senator Jim DeMint (Charleston office)
Tom Kilpatrick, Charleston Local Development Corporation
Study Abroad

In 2008-2009, 62 declared political science majors studied abroad in more than 22 different countries. The department strongly encourages study abroad participation through advising and with panels of returning students discussing their experiences with prospective study abroad candidates. There are, however, constraints imposed by costs. Additional scholarships for study abroad would allow even more students to take advantage of this experience. According to data supplied by Institutional Research and the Center for International Education and Programs, Political Science ranks second behind the Department of Communication in the unduplicated number of students who studied abroad in 2008-2009. As a percentage of declared majors, however, Political Science ranks first at the College in students studying abroad this past academic year.

The students who participated include:

**Summer 2008**
- Alison Brown, France
- Joneice Caldwell, France
- Jennie Band, China
- Evan Dash, Morocco
- Spencer Mullins, Morocco
- Kevin Cobb, Spain
- Lauren Patterson, Spain
- Charles Bausman, Italy
- Katie Sullivan, Italy
- Lily Winter, Spain
- Cheryl Bruce, England
- Erin Stubbs, France
- Amanda Birkenhaur, Peru
- Benjamin Robertson, China
- Ashley Fowler, Morocco
- Rachel Koch, Western Europe
- Karin Holm, Spain
- Steven Schiesel, Spain
- Natalie Selnick, Italy
- Nicole Kelley, Germany
- Robert Hayes, England
- Mark Landis, Costa Rica

**Fall 2008**
- Nicholas Bushyager, France
- Annie Dupre, South Africa
- Johna Hugler, Italy
- Alex Weedon, Spain
- Tory Rebhun, Spain
- Peter Baron, Egypt
- Kelsi Ward, Spain
- Emily Floore, Australia
- Courtney Hereford, Czech Republic
- Nate Schneider, Spain
- Ashley Lore, Spain
- Christina Little, Australia
- Joshua Langdon, Spain
Spring 2009

Amanda Birkenhaur, Cuba
Tom Laffay, Cuba
Ronnie McCormick, Cuba
Cody Scattergood, Cuba
Annie Madren, France
Abby Kammeraad-Campbell, England
Frank Brazil, Netherlands
Dylan Sandler, multi-destination
Danielle Ely, South Africa
Sam Duncan, Mexico
Christopher Howell, Cuba
Adam McConnaughhay, Cuba
Emily Robinson, Cuba
Casey Scherer, Cuba
Ann Marie Quinn, France
Ava-Martine Young, England
Alex Schwartz, Netherlands
Maggie Lyons, Botswana
Alessandra Castillo, Chile
Rory Rodbell, multi-destination

Cuba Semester students Cody Scattergood, Emily Robinson and Lara Lovitt at Casa las Americas in Havana, Cuba

Summer 2009

Cynthia Nichols, Western Europe
Tara Schiraldi, Greece
Kathryn Henley, Morocco
Chelsea West, Morocco
Paul Casasco, Western Europe
Samantha Culp, Italy
John Noel, China
Megan Driggers, Ireland
Tyler Showers, Morocco and Russia
Hugh McDermott, Spain
Katie Sullivan, Italy
Meredith MacDougall, multi-destination

Dr. Parson, Nancy Parson, and students at the Gorge near Tenehir, Morocco
Political Science Students plans for summer 2009 and beyond

Kim Anderson, interning with the Foreign Service Institute in Arlington, VA this summer.

Sanaz Arjomand, visiting Iran this summer. (blog www.asummerundercover.blogspot.com)

Lawson Ballard, working at Maybank Law Firm in West Ashley for the summer and next semester.

Adrian Barry, volunteering for Mayor Bloomberg’s reelection campaign in New York this summer.

Kate Barry, volunteering for Mayor Bloomberg’s reelection campaign in New York this summer.

Katherine Bartter, interning at McBratney Law Firm in Florence, SC this summer.

Charlie Bausman, attending officer Candidate School for the Marine Corp. this summer.

Chelsea Buscher, will work at Clemson University in a biology lab over the summer.

T.C. Byrne, attending Officer Candidate School for the Marine Corp.

Rose Christ, currently interning for Mayor Riley’s office at the City of Charleston in the Public information /media relations office.

Lauren Davis, interning with Senator Lindsey Graham’s office in Washington D.C.

Quinn Dempsey will have summer employment at the American Embassy in Bogota Columbia.

Connor Drake, interning with Congressmen David Price of North Carolina’s 4th District this summer.

Annie Dupree, working for the American Red Cross as an intern through their Presidential Internship Program. In their Disaster Services Department under the Senior Vice President in Business Integration.

Carter Foxgrover, will intern with the Center for Responsive Politics in DC this summer. Assisting with research with the non-profit group that monitors political contributions and maintains database about lobbyists and former government employees working for special interests.

Keri Hunigan, will intern with the Rendon Group, an international political consulting firm in D.C. for part of the summer.

Rachel Koch, will intern with the Defenders of Wildlife in Washington D.C. in their lobbying and media relations department. She will also assist in hearings and policy issues on the Hill.

Tom Laffay, will take the 2009-2010 academic year off to live in Chiapas, Southern Mexico for eight months to research on the Zapatista revolutionary/social movement.

Nick Lillo, interning for Congressman Roscoe Bartlett (R-MD) in Washington D.C. this summer.

Maggie Lyons, will be interning this summer at the Not for Sale campaign in San Francisco, CA.

Spencer Mullins, interning with the Public Defender’s Office of the City of Charleston during the summer.
Sarah Nobles, summer internship with the SC State Department of Education working with Deputy Superintendent – Mark Bounds. Also, interning with Charleston County School District under Human Resource Coordinator – Bill Briggman.

Hamilton Osborne, interning in DC for Congressman John Spratt this summer.

Kayla Parker, will study abroad at the University Autonoma Barcelona in Fall 2009.

Alexandria, Russell, will work as a staff assistant in House Representative James Clyburn’s Office (D –SC, Congressional District 6) in Washington D.C.

Fritz Stine, studying the issue of public health policy and implementation in Ghana at a hospital in a big city as well as in a rural health clinic during the summer.

Kathleen Sullivan, will intern this summer at Pinci & Associates PLLC in Milan, Italy for the second year in a row.

Kaitlyn Swiecegood, job shadowing for several attorneys this summer who specialize in mediation this summer.

Lily Winter, interning with Senator Michael Bennett’s office in Colorado this summer.

**Future Plans of Graduating Seniors**

Jackie Aitken, plans on going to graduate school in the future for Public Health.

Rebecca Band, will teach English in China.

Adam Barrett, plans on going to graduate school in Political Science.

Susan Catherine Butler, moving to Manhattan, NY and looking for a job/internship.

Mark Bringardner will attend Law School at Pepperdine University. Received Scholarship

Patti Byrd, immediate plans include traveling but long term hopes to work in journalism.

Caitlin Campbell, living in China and learning the language and investigating international law programs in the U.S.

William Cannon III, will teach English in China.

Levi Cromer, will take the Foreign Service exam in June 2009.

Samuel Duncan, working as a concierge at hotel in Richmond, VA to save money to be able to move to Mexico. He is also looking into pursuing an interpreting license to translate in court.

Jared Esselman, will attend the Harvard Kennedy School in Boston, MA for a Master in Public Policy in Fall 2009.

Lindsay Funderburk, will attend law school at Charleston School of Law in Fall 2009.

Megan Gainey, attending the MBA program at the Citadel in May 2009 and working for Homeland Security under FLETC as a Role-player in English and Spanish.
Wesley Gray, Ambulance Platoon Leader (military assignment) in San Antonio, TX.

Chip Hinnant, will attend the Charlotte School of Law in Fall 2009.

Johna Hungler, will travel after graduation. Long term hopes to work with an NGO in San Jose, Costa Rica to eliminate poverty in the area.

Rex Kehoe, will be a Tennis instructor in Urbana, MD. Long term hopes to attend law school.

Sarah Khouri, will attend law school. She has been accepted at Florida Coastal School of Law and St. Thomas School of Law.

Valerie Kneecce, will attend the Health Careers Program (Masters in Pre-medical Studies) at Harvard University in Fall 2009.

Mark Koska, plans to attend law school.

Steve Krzyston, interning with the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia this summer. Steve will attend law school at either Charleston School of Law or Albany Law School at Union University in the Fall.

Mae Link, will be a trip leader and outdoor educator for Moondance Adventures – Ecuador and in the winter will work as an instructor for a ski program in Alta, UT.

Kate Loveland, will continue working this summer as a Community Juvenile Arbitrator at the Solicitor’s Office in Charleston and then in Fall 2009 will move and attend USC School of Law.

Patrice Meredith, will attend University of Baltimore law school in Fall 2009.

Jon Merlis, interning with a lobbying firm in D.C. after graduation.

Craig Monohan, hopes to become an FBI Special Agent

Leah Montgomery, will attend USC Law School.

Peter Nieger, (POLS Minor) has a research position with the Center for College Affordability and Productivity. This one year position is organized through the Koch Charitable Foundation. Peter hopes to attend graduate school and pursue graduate work in economics or public policy.

Nicole Noble, moving to the UK hoping to work in the magazine industry

Kimberly Philips, will attend the Charleston School of Law in Fall 2009.

Larissa Phillips, applying to the Peace Corp and attempting to work with International groups, forums or politics.

Emma Racila, will attend the MPA program at Florida Gulf Coast University in Fort Myers, FL; she received a scholarship to play volleyball.

Stephen Robichaud, will move back to Massachusetts and work as a Sailing instructor for the summer. He plans to pursue a career in law enforcement as a local police officer and hopes to enter the police academy in January 2010.

Emily Snyder, will attend Emory Law School in Fall 2009.
Shanaya Suchak, will attend Midwestern University in Phoenix, Arizona to study medicine; pursuing a D.O. In the future she will work as a doctor for the Army.

Fritz Stine, studying the issue of public health policy and implementation in Ghana at a hospital in a big city as well as in a rural health clinic during the summer.

Jessica Studstill, will attend Suffolk University Law School in Boston, MA in Fall 2009.

Jeanmarie Tankersley, attending law school in Fall 2009 at UGA Law.

Kristen Thompson, was awarded a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship that she will use to study at the University of Cape Town in Cape Town, South Africa. She plans to study in their Political Studies Graduate Program. As part of the scholarship, she will also be working with the local Rotary clubs in South Africa to implement service projects.

Anne Thorsen, working in the Admissions office at the College of Charleston during the summer and then traveling through Europe for a few months.

Alexander Tureman, will work as a Mainland liaison with Helping Hands for Haiti in Miami. In Spring 2010 he will move to Lund, Sweden and attend graduate school at Lund University. He has enrolled in Lund University’s Human Rights Law Program.

Leslie Varner, plans to work at Charleston Place until August and then has a position as a paralegal at a local law firm as she pursues law school.

Lily Winter, interning with Senator Michael Bennett’s office in Colorado this summer.

VI. The Classroom

After a long period of steady growth, the number of declared majors in political science has stabilized. Just prior to commencement 2008 there were 396 majors in political science and just prior to the 2009 ceremony there were 392 majors (see chart below).

Declared Majors in Political Science 1985-2009
Our majors found a dynamic curriculum that blended long established courses that continue to be refined and fresh perspectives on politics. The spirit of innovation is clear from the kinds of special topics courses that were developed this year.

Special Topics Courses 2008-2009

**POLS 339.001 ST: Chinese Politics**
This course examines contemporary Chinese politics with emphasis on the era of reform and opening since 1978. China’s politics has been focusing on achieving modernity. In addition to having the most rapidly growing economy, China is experiencing profound sociopolitical changes. We shall examine whether the Chinese can build a dynamic market economy in an increasingly globalized world economy, create social harmony in a society with growing tensions, and maintain political stability while avoiding stagnation and decay. (Liu)

**POLS 339.002 ST: Modern Jewish Politics**
Beginning in the 19th century, Jews faced an unprecedented crisis in identity. The Jewish self-governing “autonomous community,” which had defined the Jews’ role in European society for centuries, was under siege by forces that could no longer tolerate this “state within a state.” Above all, the question of Jewish nationhood grew to dominate “post-emancipation” Jewish politics. Were the Jews a nation or a religious community? What sort of politics should they pursue? Where should they seek to win equal rights and in what language? This course will explore the variety of Jewish political ideologies (liberalism, Zionism, Diaspora nationalism, socialism, political Orthodoxy) that have influenced modern Jewish politics in Europe, the United States, and Israel. (Shanes, Religious Studies)

**POLS 359.090 Legal Conflict and Mediation**
This course includes an overview of conflict evaluation, conflict management and resolution approaches with an emphasis on mediation and negotiation. Among other issues the course will cover non-litigation methods of dispute settlement, the ethics of mediation and negotiation, demonstration and roll playing of the mediation process, participation in the Community Juvenile Arbitration Program, and other experiential learning opportunities. (Carr)

**POLS 379.080 International Human Rights Law**
This course is an introduction to both human rights law and its underlying theory. Human rights law is distinguished from more traditional international law by its interconnected idealism and lack of specificity and enforceability. First we will establish what exactly is covered by human rights law, and then we will move on to the participation of different countries and organizations. We will further examine the theoretical implications of human rights law, including explorations of inherent contradictions in the law and methods of enforcement and resistance. (Delfeld)

**POLS 399.001 State Legislatures and Legislative Policymaking**
This course is designed to introduce students interested in public policy to the methods and processes by which state legislatures achieve public policy objectives. The focus is on how policy is enacted at the state level and the issues, strategies, politics and influences that shape these public decisions (Archie-Hudson)

**POLS 319 Geographies and Politics of Labor and Work (crosslisted with GEOG 301)**
Why do certain social groups, such as women, African-Americans, and white men, tend to work in particular jobs? What is the relationship between race, gender, and labor market inequality? What prevents workers from increasing their earning power and upward mobility? How can the barriers to upward mobility be challenged? Are there enough ‘good’ jobs out there? Where are they? From a geographical political economy perspective, this course will examine the world of work, emphasizing the forces that shape the location and organization of employment. (Velluzzi)
POLS 339.001 ST: South Africa: the Politics of Democratic Transition
This is a special topics class that will explore what it means to speak of democratization by looking specifically at the history and present conditions within South Africa. The main goals of this course will be to learn in more detail the story of South Africa’s struggle towards democracy, and to question what might be illustrative about South Africa’s experience for the democratization process in other parts of the world. While South Africa has uprooted the apartheid form of government, in practice, the transition to democracy requires confronting sharply contested questions of political and social organization. How does the South African struggle against apartheid define their current idea of what democracy should look like? How does this compare with other definitions of democracy? In what ways do the pressures to promote a liberal democracy come into conflict with non-liberal qualities of the political, social and cultural environment? How does the state create policies that work towards providing social, political and economic rights to its citizens? How does this come into conflict with the exogenous forces that encourage the decline of the welfare state? This class will answer these questions by looking at the history of the struggle to end apartheid and the current hurdles that face the democratization process. (Gorden)

POLS 359.090 ST: U.S. Constitution: Separation of Powers and Federalism
The first half of this class will explore the Founding Fathers' vision for the three branches of our federal government, and we will look at the powers allocated to each branch as well as the ways in which the powers of each branch are limited by the other two branches. This exploration will include such topics as: the constitutional basis for judicial review, the power to engage in diplomacy and wage war, the impact of Presidential signing statements, the constitutionality of independent prosecutors, and impeachment. In the second half of the semester, we will examine the ever-changing balance of power between federal and state governments, and discuss the amorphous definition of "interstate commerce," as well as contemporary issues such as gay marriage, drug regulation, and euthanasia on which there has been disagreement between the federal government and state governments. (Tomlinson)

POLS 399.090 LGBT Politics
This course will focus on the evolution of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender politics from the founding of the Mattachine Society and Daughters of Bilitis in the 1950s, the Stonewall Rebellion in 1969, the inclusion of Lesbian & Gay Rights in the 1980 Democratic Platform through present day developments in local, state, national and international politics. Special emphasis will be placed on the Military's "Don't Ask/Don't Tell" policy; the impact of AIDS on the LGBT community; Gay Marriage and Family issues; and LGBT Elected Officials from Capitol Hill to City Hall. (Chorlton)

The Geography Minor

Eleven political science majors were declared geography minors over this academic year, with two students graduating in spring 2009. Courses in the minor included World Regional Geography, Urbanization and Urban Geography, Geographies and Politics of Labor and Work, Environmental Geography, and Geographies and Politics of the European Union. Geography faculty supervised two of the department’s bachelor’s essay projects. Dr. Catherine Veninga, who served as coordinator for the program in 2008/09, resigned her position as assistant professor at the College at the end of the academic year. However, the program will be strengthened with the arrival of Dr. Kevin Keenan, who will teach courses in urban geography, and whose research expertise in post 9.11 urban security in American cities will likely be of great interest for geography students. Scheduling issues meant that the annual geography lecture for 2008/09 will take place in fall 2009, when the department will host Dr. Paul Robbins of Arizona State University, a noted scholar of urban ecology and environmental geographies in the US and worldwide.
Innovative Course Pedagogy and Assignments

A sampling of the ways our faculty engage students in and outside of the classroom:

**Marguerite Archie-Hudson  “Sex, Politics and American Culture”**

In the fall of 2008 I participating in a Learning Community class that linked my section of 101 (American Government) with a section of Women and Gender Studies (WGS 200) to explore the role of sex and gender in shaping attitudes, behaviors and outcomes in the American electoral process. The 2008 primary campaign for the U.S. presidency presented a current (vs. historically recorded) opportunity to address these issues through exploring a series of questions and issues around then Senator Hillary Clinton’s presidential campaign.

Students researched the candidates’ speeches, debates, policy papers as well as print and electronic media reporting, articles in political journals and other sources to draw their conclusions about the possible effect, if any, of gender and gender stereotypes in this historic campaign.

**Marguerite Archie-Hudson  “Charleston County School Redesign Initiative”**

Students in Education Policy (POLS 308) researched and evaluated a major policy initiative recently passed by the Charleston County School Board. The 2008-09 Charleston County School Redesign Initiative stated its primary goals as increasing learning opportunities and strengthening academic outcomes for students using as the primary criteria educational quality, demographic factors and facility conditions. POLS 308 Students were divided into three groups to explore these issues using a recognized policy process model. Students reviewed the CCSD Redesign Plan, interviewed school board members, interviewed Constituent Board members and parents as feasible, drew conclusions about the effectiveness of the policy and made presentations to the class on their findings and conclusions.

**Tom Chorlton  National Election 2008**

Students in all three of my POLS Classes (101.002, 101.003 & 102.001) were required to volunteer ten hours to the federal campaign of their choice and to prepare a 6-8 page paper after the election evaluating their experience by answering several specific questions.

At the Congressional District level, 23 students selected Linda Ketner's campaign. Their enthusiasm became obvious as blue "Ketner for Congress" T-Shirts started to look like a new College of Charleston uniform throughout my three classes. In contrast, three brave souls stuck with incumbent Henry Brown's campaign. One student apparently put up most of the large "Brown for Congress " signs throughout Charleston and had a blast in the process.

At the Senate level, incumbent Lindsay Graham drew seven volunteers while his little-known Democratic opponent, Bob Conley, attracted two supporters. The Graham volunteers were somewhat disappointed when they were re-deployed to help with the statewide for Sen. John McCain.
At the presidential level, the big news was that Bob Barr's Libertarian Campaign drew two dedicated volunteers. Had Ron Paul run again on the Libertarian label, however, that number would have been much larger according to student reports. In the big showdown, our little red state student delegation went heavily for Barack Obama over John McCain by 40 to 15. My old buddy Ralph Nader has faded into "Harold Stasson" status...not even one volunteer on this his zillionth run for the White House.

The most fun, perhaps, was when student Corey Webb, a Ketner volunteer who is also a local musician, put on a fundraiser for Linda with his five piece band...he even wrote a new campaign song for her. The event, at Andolina's Pizza, was a hit and the candidate was there to enjoy it. All of the students stated in their final reports that they were tremendously proud to have participated in this remarkable campaign year and that, as a result, they had not only witnessed history, but had been a part of it. Democracy really is a participatory sport.

**Tom Chorlton**

**Local Politics and Planning**

The Planning Commission of the City of Folly Beach asked me if some of my students might be able to assist them in conducting a door-to-door "quality of life" survey in preparation for an update to the City's Comprehensive Plan.

I assigned my POLS 101.004 Class to take on this challenge. After I explained the assignment to the students, the City Planner and three members of the Planning Commission addressed the class directly in order to walk them through the questionnaire and to answer their questions.

I created 16 two-person teams to make certain that all the students would have access to transportation to Folly. The goal was for each student to complete ten questionnaires to assigned addresses, but that proved to be very ambitious because of Folly's unique conditions (including many seasonal residents and an extremely dysfunctional street number pattern). The students had seven weeks to do the assignment.

In total, 33 students were able to complete 194 questionnaires. Four of the students were then selected to tabulate the results and present their findings at the Planning Commission Meeting on Monday, April 6, 2009. Nick Bowman (POLS), Michelle Strick (Urban Planning), Michael Kramer (Accounting) and Elizabeth Con (POLS) made a 20 minute presentation and answered a variety of questions. The Planning Commission stated that they were delighted by the report and deeply grateful to the students for their hard work and dedication.

After completing the survey, the students who did not make the formal presentation were required to prepare a five page paper, evaluating their experiences by answering five specific questions. Overwhelmingly, their responses were very positive. Most were amazed at how "hands on" local government really was.
Claire Curtis    Blogging the End of the World

I structured the Capstone Seminar: Politics of the End around three topics (pandemic disease, nuclear war, and global warming). The topics were organized around three questions that underlie our strange fascination with the end of the world: How do we come to terms with the very idea of such world changing events? How do we prepare for the possibility of such events? How have we politicized the very issues that could bring about such radical change? I developed a class blog (http://pomeroy.edublogs.org/) where students were required to post or comment at least 10 times during the semester. The blog gave students an outlet for comments and ideas between classes and a space to explore the more tangential ideas that come up in class discussion.

Annette Watson    Internet Resources: Classroom Planning and Instruction

For POLS 104, World Regional Geography, I networked with colleagues also teaching world regional geography at different institutions in the US and Canada. We developed a “google docs” web site where we all posted our powerpoint lectures, assignments, and exams, to share pedagogical strategies. Inspired from this collaboration, as well as my reading of Teaching College Geography (Solem and Foote 2009), I developed a visual and audio experience for students. My powerpoints are dominated by images from the text and auxiliary materials, and I link it to youtube videos of approximately 3-5 minutes in length that provide examples of the issues and places we are talking about, or allows a resident of that place to represent their problems themselves. I also designed a few different assignments geared toward the College of Charleston students.

Annette Watson    Scholar Activist Project

My Environmental Geography course is designed to facilitate student engagement with the community; the “scholar-activist” group project described above asks students specifically to focus upon environmental issues local to Charleston, and to choose how to use the expertise they develop for promoting community discussion or policy directions. This spring students developed a number of exciting projects; one group examined the politics and economics of Folly Beach erosion, while another tackled the problems associated with imported shrimp. While the Folly Beach group produced a radio show to the College of Charleston community as well as a facebook web interface, the students working on local shrimp production designed a facebook web interface and produced bumper stickers (see “Folly Beach Erosion Awareness” and “There’s something fishy about imported shrimp” on Facebook). Similarly, another group examined the James Island development planned surrounding the Angel Oak, and designed a facebook page; they asked crucial questions about the politics of consumption (see “Opposition to Angel Oak Village” on Facebook). Yet another group examined the planned Pee Dee coal plant and developed a web site (www.peedeepu.com) that critiqued the concept of clean coal and the ways that the local and regional community will not benefit from this plant as much as promoted. Lastly, a group examined the controversy surrounding the planned expansion of I-526 and produced a youtube video that not only represented the environmental and political problems, but also promoted and described the alternative plan developed by the Coastal Conservation League (see http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RbG1zMdepgo).
Other Forms of Instruction and Experiential Learning

Model OAS – 2008-2009
(Submitted by Dr. Douglas Friedman)

The College participated in its 25th consecutive Washington Model Organization of American States in April 2009. Eight students participated – Sophia Benner (POLS major); Frances Hickey (SPAN and LACS major); Mark Landis (POLS major, LACS minor); Florencia Languell (SPAN and LACS major); Elliott Friedman (SPAN and LACS major); Daniel Ritter (POLS and ECON major); Travis Tracy (POLS major); and Megan Gainey (POLS, SPAN and LACS major). Seven students represented Paraguay and Elliott Friedman served as Vice-chair of the Second Committee – Hemispheric Security. Our Delegation was led by Head Delegate Megan Gainey who was subsequently elected Vice-President of the 2010 Washington Model OAS. While Paraguay has not been a big player at the OAS, the election of Fernando Lugo (who finally ended 60 years of one party rule) – a new addition to the “pink tide” in Latin America, gave greater visibility to Paraguay. Secretary General José Miguel Insulza greeted the students at the First Plenary Session with an entreaty to focus on youth in the hemisphere. Universities in six countries sent delegations and 12 of the 34 countries were represented by non-US schools. As the Model OAS becomes more and more international not only in content but also participation, it has become a greatly enhanced educational tool. I serve as Co-coordinator of the Washington Model OAS, responsible for coordinating with the OAS, electronic submission of resolutions, and overseeing daily protocol and operations.

Dr. Friedman at the Model OAS meeting in Washington DC

Model OAS delegates Sophia Benner, Daniel Ritter and Travis Tracy at Organization of American States Headquarters, Washington D.C.
National Model African Union 2009
(Submitted by Dr. Jack Parson)

During the spring semester ten students enrolled in POLS 366, Applied International Diplomacy, forming two delegations representing the African countries of the Republic of Botswana and the Republic of Namibia at the annual meeting of the National Model African Union in Washington, D.C. This was the 28th year for the department to sponsor delegations for this event and the first where two delegations participated. Keri Hunigan, Takeshia Brown, Jessica Bursack, Cheryl Bruce and Erin Stubbs represented Botswana and Kimberly Anderson, Sarah Nobles, Alexa Moyer, Ryan Brennan and Karin Holm represented Namibia. Over four days the delegations debated and voted on resolutions related to questions of economic, political and social cooperation among the 53 countries on the African continent as well as issues of conflict resolution within and between countries. Three students won a total of four awards for their leadership in committees and portrayal of their countries. In addition, Anna Chard assisted in the preparation of the delegations and while at the model chaired the Social Committee. As a result of her outstanding performance, she was selected to be Rapporteur for the meeting of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.

Researching the foreign policies of Botswana and Namibia, developing the diplomatic skills needed to project those policies, and the practice of those skills during the model locates POLS 366 as one of the courses in the middle of the major that is focused on active learning in an applied setting. In addition to teaching the course, Jack Parson also develops the delegation handbook for the model, directs the Secretariat during the meeting of the model in Washington and manages the website for the model at [www.modelafricanunion.org](http://www.modelafricanunion.org).

Anna Chard serving as Committee Chair at the African Union in Washington D.C.  
Keri Hunigan debating at the AU
Over 200 students from several POLS courses (including World Politics, Soviet and Russian Politics, Case Studies in Foreign Policy, International Relations Theory and the POLS Capstone) participated in a two-day Model UN simulation. Delegations representing 56 countries were formed out of these courses and students met in committee and plenary sessions April 10-11 to debate and decide on the merits of three resolutions related to reforming the global financial system, affirming women’s rights and gender equality, and promoting human security. This was the fourth College of Charleston Model United Nations and the largest session to date. It successfully grounded students in aspects of international relations and helped them analyze and articulate different perspectives on some of the most challenging issues facing the international system today.

Mock Trial Advanced Team
(Submitted by Jonathan Marcantel)

The College of Charleston Mock Trial Class/Team was active for its sixth year. The Advanced Team competed at the Crimson Invitational Tournament in Cambridge, Massachusetts and the AMTA Regional Tournament held in Orlando, Florida.

A report of each tournament follows:

The MTSU Mock Trial Invitational
The Crimson Invitation Tournament was held from November 15, 2008 - November 16, 2008 at Harvard University. The Crimson Tournament is by invite only. This is the first year the College has been asked to participate.

Eighteen (18) teams competed. Each team tried four trials and were judged by two judges. The College competed against UC Berkeley, Harvard, Boston University, and Villanova. The College had a 4-4 record, coming in with a ranking higher than Wellesley and Ole Miss, among others, and tying with Harvard, Penn State, and Boston University.

The AMTA Regional Tournament in Orlando, Florida
The Regional Tournament was held February 21, 2009 - February 22, 2009. Twenty-two (22) teams competed. Each team tried four trials and were judged by two judges. The College of Charleston Team competed against: Georgia Tech, Florida State, South Florida, and Central Florida. The Team finished the Tournament with a 4-4 record, coming in with a higher ranking than Emory, Florida A&M, Wake Forest, and Florida State, among others.

Conclusion
This year the mock trial team had the opportunity to interact and compete against a variety of other colleges in significant academic challenges. They had the opportunity to experience the work of trial attorneys first hand, understand the judicial system, develop critical thinking skills, and enhance their communication skills. Furthermore, each student grew as an individual, as a knowledgeable citizen, and as a community leader. The College can be proud of what the Department has done with the Mock Trial Program this year, and the Department can be justifiably proud of our students.
Beyond the Major: Contributions to the Liberal Arts


Kendra Stewart directs the Master of Public Administration program. Catherine Veninga contributes to the Urban Studies program. Annette Watson contributes to the Master of Environmental Studies program. Eight faculty members and one staff member took part in President Benson’s Strategic Planning Initiative.

Graduate Programs

MPA Program Summary of Accomplishments

The Master of Public Administration program at the College of Charleston is offered jointly with the University of South Carolina. This has been a year of significant change and accomplishment for the program. Kendra Stewart began her service as MPA Director on July 1, 2009 and the program moved to its new home at 14 Coming Street. The dedication of two full-time staff and five graduate assistants allowed the development of the Community Assistance Program (CAP) under the leadership of Janet Key. CAP is a community outreach effort that provides no-cost or low-cost technical assistance and support services to local nonprofit organizations. In addition, thanks to the leadership of Nick Velluzi and the support of the Lowcountry Graduate Center the inaugural group of students entered the Urban Planning Certificate program.

Finally, the National Association of Schools of Public Administration and Affairs (NASPAA) granted the program full reaccreditation through 2013.

Summary of Accomplishments

- Conducted survey of employer needs along with student, alumni and employer focus groups to assess program curriculum.
- Conducted three professional development workshops:
  - “Ask the Experts” Grant Writing Workshop (over 40 attendees)
  - “Politics, Government and the Nonprofit Sector: Collaboration or Conflict?” ((35 attendees)
  - “Meeting with Local Experts: Working in City Government” (over 60 attendees)
- Two posters were accepted for presentation at the Graduate Student Research Poster Session.
- MPA Student Geoff Pallay was awarded a $500 stipend to present his research at the Healthcare and GIS Conference in Washington, DC.
• Geoff Pallay also won one of the HSS best poster awards for his research at the Graduate Student Poster Session
• The program graduated 23 students this year – the largest group in the program’s history
• Fourteen students were inducted into our national honor society – Pi Alpha Alpha
• In collaboration with Career Services two seminars on finding a job in public administration were conducted with over 20 students attending
• The Community Assistance Program provided much needed services to the following organizations:
  o MUSC CARES Clinic
  o The Spoleto Festival
  o Low Country Local First
  o The Town of Kiawah
  o Metanoia
  o East Cooper Community Outreach (ECCO)
  o HALOS (Helping and Lending Outreach Support)
• Recent graduates Erich Chatham and Jimmie Ardis started up Civitas – a consulting firm serving government and nonprofit organizations
• May graduate Natalie Martin was accepted to join Teach for America’s 2009 corps and will be teaching in an inner city school in Jacksonville, FL
• May graduate Geoff Pallay was chosen as a Charles Koch Associate for 2009-2010 and will be working with the South Carolina Policy Council, a non-profit think tank in Columbia, SC
• Other recent graduates have secured positions with the Charleston Animal Society, ECCO, HALOS, the Coastal Community Foundation and the federal government
• Served as hosts for Annual NASPAA Conference

MPA graduates in the Courtyard after commencement, May 8, 2009

MES Program Summary of Accomplishments

The MES Program shows strength and vitality after a year full of accomplishments and of change, including a move to new offices and the appointment of a new program director, A. Kem Fronabarger. MES students received 10 travel funding awards this year, both from
the MES Program and from Graduate Research and Presentation Grants provided by the Graduate School Office, to attend conferences and to make research trips. Four students had their work featured at the College of Charleston’s Graduate Research Poster Session, where second-year student Guinn Garrett (supervising faculty: Vijay Vulava and Timothy Callahan) won a Graduate Research Poster Award. Other student accomplishments include a 2009 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, awarded to first-year student Sarah Latshaw. Ninety-three students were enrolled and/or worked on internship and thesis projects during the year. Twenty-two students started the MES Program in the fall and 10 students started in the spring, with out-of-state students making up 41% of the total. Students enrolled in 18 courses in the fall and 19 courses in the spring (excluding Independent Study, Internship, and Thesis hours). Nineteen students graduated from the MES Program this year, including five students in the summer, four in December, and 10 in May. MES graduates produced an impressive variety of theses and internship reports, with MES faculty directing a total of 11 internship projects and eight theses to completion. Ludivine Renaud and Gabe Sataloff received the MES Outstanding Graduate Student award in the fall, and Emily Long and Nikki Seibert received the award in the spring. Jennifer Scales received the eighth annual Dana Beach Outstanding Service Award. The MES Program and the MES Student Association organized a number of activities throughout the year. Students, faculty, and alumni were brought together for the annual Oyster Roast in December and for a Spring Fling in April. MESSA continued its focus on community service, sponsoring events such as the seventh annual MESSA 8K for H2O which raised an outstanding $3,500 for the Coastal Conservation League. In addition, the students participated in the first Charleston Green Fair, the Charleston Earth Day Festival at Park Circle, and the Keep Charleston Beautiful / Earthforce ‘Green and Lean’ 5K. MESSA also sponsored Adopt-A-Highway, volunteered for the SC Oyster Restoration and Enhancement Program, and took part in the SCDNR Beach Sweep, among other activities. More than 20 faculty and internship advisors participated in a one-day workshop designed to solicit feedback and suggestions, and they reiterated that the interdisciplinary nature of the MES Program is its greatest strength. Overseeing the program, the MES Steering Committee consisted of Mitchell Colgan (Geology), Jon Hakki (Physics), Jaap Hillenius (Biology), Phil Jos (Political Science), Robert Mignone (Mathematics), and A. Kem Fronabarger (Director, MES Program).

VII. The Alumni

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Laura Addis (2005), works in Marketing and Design for Caribbean Restaurant Concepts, Inc.; volunteer web designer for the Sustainability Institute.

Iana Arsova (2007), a civil litigation paralegal in Mount Pleasant, SC.
Leah Bamberger (May 2008) has been accepted to the University of Massachusetts and will likely pursue a master’s in Urban Planning there.

Brian Beckley (1998), Director of Programs and College Counseling, i know i can in Columbus, Ohio.

Erin (Kenneally) Blevins (1994), Administrative Coordinator, Department of Political Science, College of Charleston.

Wesley Boling (2007), graduated in May 2009 with an M.A. in Political Science from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He will intern during the summer in DC for Congressman Gresham Barrett from SC – 3rd. In Fall 2009, he will start law school at the University of Virginia. He hopes to specialize in public service and international law.

Erica Bondy (2007), serving a year long term with Americorp in Greely, CO.


Debbie Carrothers (1994), Lobbyist for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce out of Atlanta, GA.

Lydia Carey (2006), Executive Director of the Center for Global Justice in San Miguel, Mexico.

John Chandler (2008), will attend Charleston School of Law in Fall 2009.


Colleen Condon (1992), selected as one of the Forty Under 40 by the Charleston Business Journal in 2009 for her professional success and community involvement. Charleston County Councilmember; Attorney, Condon Law Firm, LLC.

Melissa Corradetti (1998), Cryptanalyst for the FBI, working on drug records analysis.

Bryan Cordell (2003), selected as one of the Forty Under 40 by the Charleston Business Journal in 2009 for his professional success and community involvement. Executive Director, Sustainability Institute, North Charleston.

Laura Rutherford Crisp (1999), Ph.D. in Educational Psychology from the University of Tennessee.

Donalyn Croghan (1993), Senior Account Manager, The Journal of Commerce.


Jessica Crowson (1997), Associate Attorney at Pennington Law Firm in Columbia, SC practicing wireless telecommunications law. Graduate of Vanderbilt University School of Law (2000);
member of the state bar of Florida and of South Carolina; former Law Clerk to Chief Judge Kaye Hearn, South Carolina Court of Appeals; former Assistant State Attorney, Fourth Circuit, Florida.

Kevin Day (2006), Senior Regional Consultant for Alliance Bernstein Investments, New York City.

Michael Dennis (1999), private painting business in Charleston.

Dan Driscoll (2007), In Fall 2009, he will attend Clemson University's Masters in Real Estate Development program. This two year program combines MBA, finance, law, architecture, and planning.

Jessica Emerson (2008), will attend the University of Amsterdam's graduate program.

Charles (Trey) Eppes (2005), Attending the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University.

Avery Eslocker (2007), In Fall 2009, will attend the graduate program for Early Childhood Education at Columbia University in NYC.

J. Jackson Ewing (2003), Teaching Fellow in International Relations Department at Bond University. Completed a Masters in International Relations at Bond University in Goldcoast, Australia.

Joe Ferrara, Ph.D. (1982), Associate Dean at Georgetown University

Phillip Ferderigos (1996), Attorney in Charleston for Barnwell Whaley Patterson and Helms.

David Fleming (2008), Firefighter in Charleston.


Caroline (Allen) Fowler (2008) will be attending Tulane University to pursue a Master’s in International Development

Robin Franco (2003), Attorney at Balch & Bingham, LLP in Birmingham Alabama.

Brian Paul Freese (2001). Business Manager for Department of Epidemiology and BioStatistics at the University of Georgia. MPA from Mississippi State University.

Pamela Froese (2008), attending law school at Catholic University of America.

Tyler Gadberry, (2002), Administrative Mail Operations manager for the College of Charleston

Kenny Gardner (2008), attending Charleston School of Law.

Will Glascock (2004), Lobbyist for the Association for Public Television Stations; Masters in Political Management from GWU; formerly with Rep. Ken Lucas as Legislative Assistant; previously Clooney for Congress - GOTV Assistant; and Representative Ben Chandler - Legislative Assistant (Ag Committee work).
Nicholas C. Glover (2005), College of Charleston Young Alumni of the Year 2008.

Lindsey Goehring (2008), attending UNC Chapel-Hill Law School.

Morgan Harrell (2003), currently with the SC Department of Commerce in the Global Business Development Division as a Project Manager working with industrial recruitment and retention for the state. Previously worked with Governor Sanford's campaign from January 2005 through the 2006 November election.

John Hallman (2008) will be attending American University in the fall to pursue a Masters in International Studies.

Sarah Harvey (2008), Project Assistant, AMIDEAST (Beirut).


Lucas Hitt (2001), MA from Johns Hopkins; Congressional & Public Affairs Liaison, Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce.

Tammie Hoy (1996), Executive Director, Lowcountry Housing Trust.

Nathan Hutt-Tiwald (2006), Field Manager for Green Earth Institute.


Kaitlin Kent (2007), Deputy U.S. Marshall in DC.

Athanasia (Athana) Kontinos (2004), Deputy Program Director of the earned-income culinary arts training program at Covenant House. MPA, Baruch College in New York (January 2008).

Angela Kouters (2000), Chief of Staff, Representative Jerry McNerny (D-CA, 11).

Catherine LaFond (1993), Attorney at LaFond and LaFond, LLC. in Charleston, SC.


Rebecca Lockhart (2008), Elected Postgraduate Officer for the Students Union. Graduate School at the University of Nottingham, England for MA American Studies (History). She will receive her MA in American Studies in 2010.

William Gray McDowell (2005), Currently enrolled at the University of Texas pursuing an MPA. Working as a personal trainer with Bally Total Fitness and SyscoFit.

Anne McPhee (2002), J.D. from Law School at Nova Southeastern University in FL.

Ryan Meadows (2004), Sales Representative for Blomet Orthopedics.


Jenny Moser (2007), attending Charleston School of Law on a Merit Scholarship; will graduate in May 2010.

Tim Mullins (2004), J.D. from Duke Law School, Spring 2009 and has moved to Washington D.C.

John Orak (2003), completed Masters in International Affairs at American University; Program Specialist with AMIDEAST in Lebanon.

Phil Paradise, (2008) 2L at Charleston School of Law.

Rebecca Perry (2002), Pediatric ICU Nurse Children's Hospital, New York Presbyterian

Debbie Plant (2008), working at a pre-school in Mount Pleasant, SC.

Katie Puza (2007), Social Media Coordinator for Westin Consulting in Denver, Colorado. Currently the editor of an online magazine for the legal industry and recently launched TweetLaw, a Twitter application for legal professionals.

F. Elliotte Quinn, 2L at Emory School of Law in Atlanta.

Elizabeth Ramsey (2007), Staff Assistant to Congressman Marion Berry.

Brian Revercomb (2007), attending Charleston School of Law, will graduate in Spring 2011.

Josephine Rex (2008), Americorp position with VISTA program at Mary Ford Elementary School.

Chris Robinson (2006), Completed his Masters in Higher Education Administration at George Washington University in Fall 2008 and moved to Chicago to teach.


Justin I. Rummage (2007), M.P.A program at the College of Charleston.
Elizabeth Ryan (2002), Works as a business continuity planner for BlueCross BlueShield of SC. After CofC she worked on some political campaigns and then got her MPA.

M. Abby (Edwards) Saunders (1994), Associate Dean of Students and Assistant Director of Externship program at the Charleston School of Law; UNC Chapel Hill, 1999.

Alicia Scherini (2004), attending Mississippi College School of Law, will graduate in 2010.

Leah (Still) Schonfeld (2004), earned a Masters in Public Administration at USC in May 2007. Currently working as a Human Resources Consultant with the South Carolina Budget and Control Board's Office of Human Resources.


Andrew Smeltzer (2006), Sales Associate for Washington Analysis Corporation; Field Organizer for Whitehouse for Senate in 2006.

Casey (Hammond) Smith (2002), She and husband Dustin Smith live in San Francisco, CA. She works for Conquest Film Institute as Director of Development. This year (2009) they will be moving to Atlanta where she will be going to Emory for her MBA.

Sam Spence (2008), junior associate with Trippi and Associates, political/media consulting firm in Washington, DC.

Andre Tinnelle (2005), Campaign Manager for Ken Hodges, a candidate for Attorney General of Georgia. JD from the University of Miami School of Law 2009.

W. Stephen Thayer (2008), Moved to NYC and works for a direct marketing company called Venture Direct Worldwide.

Helen Ann S. Thrower (1996), Chief of Staff for SC Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer.

Kate Tiller (2007), attending College of Charleston Graduate School, will graduate in 2010 with a Masters in Public Administration; Student Services Coordinator for College of Charleston.

Marty Tomlinson (2004), moving to New York to Clerk for a Court of Appeals Judge for a year. Taught as an Adjunct instructor for the Political Science Department at the College of Charleston for the Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 semesters. Graduate of Yale School of Law (law review). Judicial clerkship with Judge Duffy, Charleston, SC.

Helen Van Wagoner (2007), studying at the London School of Economics in the MA in International Politics program.

Melissa Wideman (2005), Executive Director, Ohio House Democratic Caucus. Formerly the campaign manager for Steve Driehaus, US House candidate Ohio’s 1st Congressional District.; formerly National Finance Deputy Chief of Staff for John Edwards. She served as Deputy Campaign Manager for Sherrod Brown's U.S. Senate campaign in 2006 race.

Sean Wilson (2008), attending the Charleston School of Law.

Elizabeth Wingfield (2008), attending the Charleston School of Law.

Andrew Woods (2005), J.D. from Catholic University of University of America's Columbus School of Law in 2009. Deputy Finance Director for Virginians for Brian Moran.

Stephanie Leonard Yarbrough (1995), Special Counsel with Nexsen Pruet’s Banking & Finance Group in Charleston, SC. She has been appointed to the S.C. Venture Capital Authority board of directors by S.C. Senate President Pro Tem Glenn McConnell.

Sarah Zeigler (2002), Director, Sottile Theatre, College of Charleston


VIII. In Memoriam: William V. Moore

![William V. Moore](image)

(1944-2009)

“It was on my birthday in 1972 that I was offered a job at the College of Charleston . . . it was the best birthday present I ever got.”

--William V. Moore

In his 37-year career at the College, Dr. Moore was, first and foremost, a truly devoted teacher and mentor. He held many different titles and undertook many responsibilities over the span of his career but he always identified himself as a teacher. His courses were invariably the first to reach
capacity; one of the most persistent tasks for the chair of the department was explaining to students that there simply were no more seats available in Dr. Moore’s class. He always had an extremely large number of advisees and took on special responsibilities for student athletes, always mindful of the special challenges posed by pursuing both athletic and academic achievement.

A caring father and family man, Bill balanced the life of a teacher with an impressive scholarly output, a passionate commitment to College of Charleston athletics, and a willingness to share his expertise with both print and television journalists in Charleston and across the country. He was as much the voice of the Political Science Department as he was the voice of Cougar basketball.

Bill earned his B.A. and Masters degree from Southern Illinois University and his PhD from Tulane. He was a well-known expert on South Carolina politics, Southern politics, and political extremism. He was the author of Political Extremism in the United States and co-author of South Carolina Politics and Government as well as numerous scholarly articles, encyclopedia entries and publications on Southern and extremist politics, civil rights, electoral politics, campaign spending, and intergovernmental relations. He served as chair of the Department of Political Science, director of the Master of Public Administration program, Speaker of the Faculty, director of Maymester and Summer Programs, director of the Taft Institute for high school civics teachers, NCAA faculty representative, and Vice President and President of the Southern Conference. In 1997, Bill was designated as the SC Governor’s Professor of the Year. He has also been awarded the Distinguished Teaching Award at the College (1981) as well as the Distinguished Service Award (2000), the Distinguished Advising Award (2001), and the first ever Distinguished Teacher-Scholar Award (2001). Bill also served on the Board of Advisors at the Charleston School of Law.

He will be greatly missed by students, student-athletes, alumni, faculty, staff, and area journalists.
APPENDIX I

BUDGET SUMMARY

2009 Political Science Expenditures