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KSU Mock Trial Team Impressive at Nationals

by Elizabeth Gordon

The 2012-2013 competitive season was KSU Mock Trial's best in years. The Mocking Owls enjoyed great success litigating the American Mock Trial Association's hypothetical case, Allen v. Neptune Underwater Expeditions, a civil suit involving a fatal scuba diving accident. Kennesaw teams competed in numerous invitational tournaments from



October through early February, including those held at Emory University, Middle Tennessee State University, University of West Florida, University of Richmond, Georgia Tech, and University of Rochester. The Owls also hosted a one-day mini-invitational, The Owl Classic, on the Kennesaw campus in October. **Continued on page 5**

2011-12 Student Honorees

Outstanding Political Science Student

Charles Duvall

Faculty Honoree: **Dr. Kerwin Swint**

Outstanding International Affairs Student

Ryan Herz

Faculty Honoree: **Dr. Stephen Collins**

Outstanding MPA Graduate Student

Ramatoulaye Siby

Faculty Honoree: **Dr. Andrew Ewoh**

Outstanding MSCM Graduate Student

John Lash

Faculty Honoree: **Dr. Timothy Hedeem**

Outstanding MSIPM Graduate Student

Laura Shoop

Faculty Honoree: **Dr. Stephen Collins**

Student Groups: Another Banner Year

Mock Trial

KSU's Mock Trial, coached by **Dr. Elizabeth Gordon**, recently concluded another active year, capped off by one of the most successful competition seasons on record, winning several individual and group awards. For details on the team's achievements, go to pages 1 and 5. Mock Trial team members include:

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| Travis Bain | James Boles | Eric Butler | Misty Gann |
| Ashley Jackson | Lennon Johnson | Sarah Metz | B.J. Moates |
| Zachary Moore | Tora Norwood | Brandi Sluss | Jacob Taylor |
| Kevin Weehunt | Lynn Zibanejadrad | | |

Model African Union

The KSU Model African Union continued to earn a reputation for excellence. The faculty advisor is **Dr. Nurudeen Akinyemi**. For details, turn to page 11. Team members include:

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| Ali Abedi | Chioma Amako | Ramatoulaye Balde | Michael Carter |
| Owen Chilongo | Andrew Edwards | Mahlet Ekoubegzi | Sean Frantz |
| Brett Gilbert | Max Harris | Ayano Hayashida | Cayce Hoover |
| Ya Marie Jack | Cheick Lelenta | Fatou Mbye | Sumi Moon |
| Edward Mwangi | Julian Thompson | Reggie Williams | Scout Wood |

Model NATO Team

The Model NATO Team completed a highly successful year, including competition at the International Model NATO Conference held in Washington, D.C. The faculty advisor is **Professor Stephen McKelvey**. Details on KSU's 2012-13 Model NATO Team are found on page 12. Team members include:

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| Kristen Aprile | Ruth Forsyth | Anna Gorczynska | Pamela Kirkland |
| Jared Lafferty | Russell Midkiff | Carole Nanguy | Natasha Quintana |
| Benjamin Thornton | Rachel Walton | Kimberly Watson | |

Model United Nations Delegates

The KSU Model UN Team, advised by **Dr. William Gillespie**, continued its streak of excellence in 2012. Team members include:

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| Zainab Ali | Emily Barnes | Maya Besong | Kamaria Blocker |
| Karlia Brown | Nicholas Corn | Alexander Davis | Tobhiyah Emiohe |
| Kensley Fields | Ruth Forsyth | Isabel Hernandez | Patrick Hughes |
| Kayla Jones | Plamen Mavrov | Russell Midkiff | Mitchell Miller |
| Katsiaryna Paulava | Gabriel Pino | David Richmond | Justin Rivard |
| Shafiq Rizwan | Amanda Silvers | Simone Smith | Brigitte Snyder |
| Adam Varco | Rachel Walton | | |

Model League of Arab States

The Model League of Arab States had another impressive showing in 2012-13. The team advisor is **Dr. Thomas Doleys**. The team includes:

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| Ali Abedi | Hamood Alali | Marouane Al Mandri | Mohammad Awan |
| Emily Barnes | Daniela Carvajalino | Karen Carvajalino | Brett Gilbert |
| Ryan Herz | Farid Ali Khan | Guillermo Martinez | Andrea Martinez |
| Fakhria Mushfiq | Katelyn Pugh | Shafiq Rizwan | Edward Stafford |
| Zachary Terry | | | |

Mock Mediation Team

The Mock Mediation Team completed a highly successful inaugural year, including competing at Brenau University at the National Intercollegiate Mock Mediation Tournament. The teams faculty advisor is **Dr. Heather Pincock**. For details, please see page 8. The team includes:

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| Phenisha Bresnock | Hunter Davidson | Gabriella Hall | Tonya Helstowski |
| Amy Loiseau | Caitlin Lowther | Sean Miller | Zachary Myers |

Pi Sigma Alpha

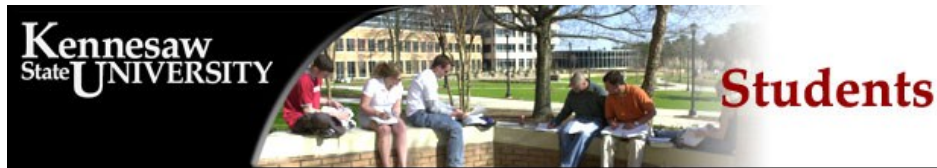
The National Honor Society for Political Science inductees to Pi Sigma Alpha have shown excellence in the study of Political Science and a commitment to leadership. The faculty advisor is **Dr. Andrew Pieper**. Newly inducted members for the 2012-2013 academic year are:

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| Ramatoulaye Balde | Kristofer Banks | Haley Bollinger | Blake Bottomley |
| Amy Chadwick | Laqweyonna Cox | Megan Gensler | Gabriella Hall |
| Tonya Helstowski | Ya Marie Jack | Ashley Jackson | Pamela Kirkland |
| Matthew Lester | Karen Lieb | Amy Loiseau | Joseph Lynsky |
| Benjamin McClure | Sumi Moon | Natasha Phillips | Dionne Spears |
| Matthew Stegenga | Rachel Walton | Kimberly Watson | |

High School Model United Nations

The High School Model United Nations, hosted at Kennesaw State University, was another massive success. The faculty adviser is **Dr. Chien-pin Li**. Chairs and Rapporteurs include the following:

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| Samirra Abbas | Ali Abedi | Hamood Alali | Kristen Aprile |
| Kristie Azaroff | Emily Barnes | Maya Besong | Karlia Brown |
| Michael Carter | Mariam Chaudry | Nicholas Corn | Tobhiyah Emiohe |
| Kensley Fields | Ruth Forsyth | Anna Gorczynska | Max Harris |
| Isabel Hernandez | Ryan Herz | Patrick Hughes | Kayla Jones |
| Pamela Kirkland | Ryan Lekan | Plamen Mavrov | Mitchell Miller |
| Sumi Moon | Chiara Norce | Katsiaryna Paulava | Gabriel Pino |
| Katelyn Pugh | Angela Reisner | David Richmond | Justin Rivard |
| Shafiq Rizwan | Amanda Silvers | Brigitte Snyder | Benjamin Thornton |
| Silvia Trejo | Brittany Wagman | Ennun Walker | Rachel Walton |
| Kimberly Watson | | | |



Student Update



MSCM graduate, Haley Everson, accepted the position of Investigative Analyst at WellPoint, working under former MSCM alum, Alanna Lavelle. WellPoint is the nation's leading health benefits company, serving the needs of more than 33 million medical members nationwide. As an Investigative Analyst she will be managing the enterprise-wide fraud hotline which serves fourteen WellPoint states as well as the Federal Employee Program, and Medicare. Her duties include: overseeing the triage of all fraud, waste and abuse referrals from providers and members alike; working with Senior Investigators and clinicians, data mining to determine if patterns of abusive practices or fraudulent activities are occurring within WellPoint companies, and addressing those issues as they arise; developing possible scenarios and impacts from trends and patterns noted; and performing further research to prevent company loss. She will assist in determining the potential financial impact of adverse trends so that she can work with clinicians to determine possible quality of care issues that need to be addressed.

The following MPA Students delivered conference papers at the 15th Georgia Public Administration Academic Conference held at the University of North Georgia on March 2013:

Aisha Coore, Chinelo Okekeocha, Sarah Kinley, Euhae “Grace” Kim, Jarvis Flowers, Meredith Harvey, Ogechukwu Agim, Valerie Veney, Teriwanda Hayes, Ingrid Nascimento, Sarah Kinley

The following MPA Students and alumni were inducted into PI Alpha Alpha (National Honorary Society for Public Affairs and Administration) on November 15, 2012:

Josiane Ketema, Moureen Owoko, Chinelo Okekeocha, Whitney Scott, Melissa Meyer, Larry Maddox, Patrick Vickers, Eric Lopez, Christopher Sharpe, Pamela Needham, Bina Patel, Lance Buchanan, Ayana Gardhigh

Department News & Notes

KSU Mock Trial Team Impressive at Nationals

(continued from page 1) The official American Mock Trial Association (AMTA) Tournament Series began in February, and two KSU teams competed at the Atlanta Regional Tournament, held at the Fulton County Courthouse. One team earned a bid to the next level of competition, the Opening Round of the National Championship, which was held at Furman University in March. At Furman, Kennesaw placed third, just slightly ahead of Florida State University, the team that ultimately become the 2013 National Champions. Kennesaw was the only team from Georgia to qualify for the National Championship Tournament.

Held April 12-14, 2012 in Washington, D.C., the National Championship Tournament featured three days of competition among the 48 best undergraduate mock trial teams in the nation. These teams were selected through the AMTA Tournament Series, which narrowed the initial field of 530 teams. At this event, the Owls won the U.S. Senator Robert F. Kennedy Spirit of AMTA Award, which recognizes the team best exemplifying the ideals of honesty, civility and fair play. The Spirit of AMTA winner is determined by the students, based on a vote by team captains. In addition, Kennesaw State's performance in four rounds of competition earned the team a 12th place finish, just behind #11 Yale and just ahead of #13 UC-Berkeley. KSU political science major, **Eric Butler**, was named All-American Witness for achieving the highest witness score in the division, for his portrayal of a doctor specializing in water sports injury prevention.

Political science major, **Misty Gann**, served as captain of the team advancing to the nationals. In addition to Misty and Eric, other KSU students winning multiple individual awards this season include political science majors, **Kevin Weehunt**, **Sarah Metz**, and **Jacob Taylor**. **Dr. Elizabeth Gordon**, Professor of Political Science, serves as the team's coach and faculty adviser.

Department Welcomes Swint as New Chair



The Department of Political Science and International Affairs is pleased to welcome **Dr. Kerwin Swint** as Interim Chair. Dr. Swint succeeds Dr. Robert Smith who accepted a position as Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences at Savannah State University.

Department News & Notes (continued)

KSU Students and Faculty Study Political Party Conventions Up Close

by Jeff DeWitt

Last fall, two undergraduate courses taught at Kennesaw State University provided an extraordinary up-close view of the American political process, focusing on the study of national party conventions *at* the national party conventions. As a primary requirement in “Political Party Conventions Field Study” and “Reporting at the Party Conventions,” nineteen political science and communication students, and four supervising faculty, including **Dr. Jeff DeWitt** and **Dr. Kerwin Swint**, traveled to the 2012 Democratic National Convention in Charlotte and the Republican National Convention in Tampa, where they produced political research and professional-style reporting. The political science students were: **Ernesto Ausejo, Kyle Chappell, Charles Duvall, Gillian Griffin, Max Harris, Plamen Mavrov, Carole Nanguy, Weston Slaton, and Shane Wright.**

While party conventions are fundamental to the American democratic system, rarely have complete college courses been structured around extensive experiential learning within the actual convention environment. KSU’s conventioning students were prominently highlighted by the [state party organizations](#) and received national attention in [The Chronicle of Higher Education](#).

These courses unfolded over three phases. First, prior to the conventions, students were convened for an initial class meeting where instructors introduced courses, discussed requirements and guidelines, and established travel plans and expectations. At this meeting, students also learned about field research and reporting techniques and routines, and heard “real world” perspectives on conventions from state party officials and members of the media. During convention week, students directly engaged with the proceedings, politicians, activists, and Georgia state party delegations. Students implemented pre-approved research projects, filed news reports, and performed other course-related tasks such as chronicling their daily experiences on a [course blog](#) and twitter. After returning from the convention, students produced research papers and shared field reporting experiences in a campus forum.



Rather than bringing conventions to the classroom, these courses brought the classroom to the conventions. The applied learning experience was especially effective in fostering an experiential educational environment, and was empowering for both students and instructors. In the end, through the “art of discovery” and immersion in the

field, students developed a more substantive understanding of the subject matter under study, enhanced motivation for learning, and greater feelings of academic achievement and citizenship.

Department News & Notes (continued)



Jim Galloway, political reporter for the [Atlanta Journal-Constitution](#), speaks to KSU political science and communication students who are preparing to travel to the national party conventions in Charlotte and Tampa.

Dr. Stephen Collins conducted workshops and presented lectures on U.S. Foreign Policy for a visiting delegation of government officials from Jiangsu Province, China, as part of the KSU Confucius Institute's International HR Management Training Program.



Department News & Notes (continued)

Successful Inaugural Year for KSU Mock Mediation Team

by Heather Pincock

The KSU Mock Mediation Team (KSUMMT) had a very successful inaugural year! The team formed in October, and traveled in November to Brenau University for the National Intercollegiate Mock Mediation Tournament to participate in two days of mediation simulations, with each student taking turns playing the role of mediator, advocate/attorney, and party/client. The team's stellar performance was recognized with an "Outstanding New Team" trophy. KSUMMT member, **Amy Loiseau**, was awarded a commemorative plaque honoring her 7th place (out of 105) finish in the individual mediator category.

The team continued its activities during Spring Semester by getting established as a registered student organization and hosting a Mock Mediation Scrimmage at KSU on April 13th. KSUMMT welcomed eleven students from Middle Georgia State College for a day of mediation simulations. They received coaching and feedback from experienced mediators who generously volunteered their time.

KSUMMT's faculty advisor, **Dr. Heather Pincock**, would like to congratulate **Caitlin Lowther**, **Amy Loiseau**, **Sean Miller**, **Zach Myers**, **Brie Hall**, **Tonya Helstowski**, **Phenisha Bresnock**, and **Hunter Davidson** for making the team's first year such a success. The team hopes to participate in more tournaments next year and welcomes new members!

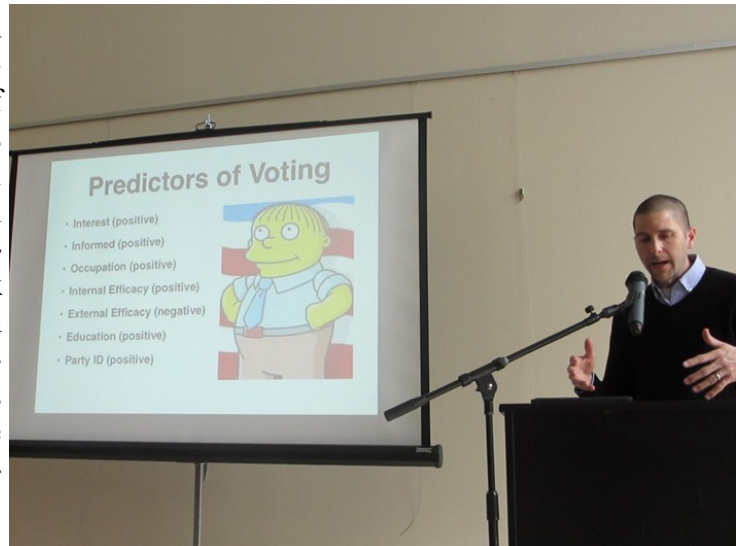
MPA Students and faculty at the GA ASPA Conference, University of North Georgia



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KSU's POLS/IA Department Sponsors 2012 Election Series Activities

The 2012 Election Season Activities, sponsored by the Department of Political Science and International Affairs (PSIA), was a success by almost any measure. The Election Activities, which included a debate watching party, a speaker series, a political party conventions panel, a post-election panel, and a series of political films, were warmly received by both Kennesaw State and the surrounding community. Average attendance for the speaker series, panels, and debate watching party was around 25 people, consisting of students, faculty, and local residents. The speaker series began with an enlightening discussion of voting systems by **Merle King** of the KSU Center for Election Systems. The series also included talks by faculty members, **Charity Butcher**, **Andrew Pieper**, and **Kenneth White**. Faculty members and students from PSIA and the Department of Communication discussed the experiences they garnered while attending the national party conventions in late summer. PSIA faculty, **Jeff DeWitt**, **Sarita McCoy Gregory**, **Kerwin Swint** and **David Shock** shared their expertise in a post-election roundtable, as well. Overall, students, faculty, and the community benefited from this timely series of events designed to engage the Kennesaw community with the real-world of electoral politics.



The KSU Model United Nations Team, victorious at the MILMUN 2013 competition in Milano, Italy, bringing home over half the awards.

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Conflict Management Students See Cuban Society Up Close

by Josh Azriel

Many Americans think of Cuba as a mysterious entity in the Caribbean and, due to travel restrictions and the US trade embargo in effect for 52 years, do not have a real understanding of the island nation and its residents. Professors and students are allowed to visit the island for educational purposes; under US law, Cuban relatives who live in the US are allowed to visit and bring products and goods into Cuba.

Students in the Master of Science in Conflict Management Program (MSCM), consider it a great destination to learn first-hand about Cuban society, economics, and politics. This study abroad trip provided students the unique opportunity to speak to, and exchange ideas with, community leaders and everyday Cubans.



Cuba was a semester case study for this year's cohort, to learn how various conflicts begin and are potentially resolved. In November 2012, 14 students and three professors, **Dr. Susan Raines**, **Dr. Heather Pincock**, and **Dr. Joshua Azriel**, visited Cuba for seven days to meet various economic, legal, and social policy leaders and to see up-close the types of conflict Cuban society confronts.

Before leaving on the trip, MSCM students met Cuban exiles who live in the Atlanta area. They learned from these exiles why they fled Cuba — for more economic opportunities and to live in a free society. The students met individuals who

discussed the economic changes now underway in Cuba. They spoke with economists and attorneys who talked about the new opportunities to own small businesses and to sell homes and cars. The trip provided a chance to hear and see how "truths and story-telling" emerge from the population.

Dr. Sherrill Hayes, **Dr. Susan Raines**, and **Ms. Ansley Wood** accompanied six MSCM cohort XIII students to the ACR Conference that took place in September in New Orleans. **Michele Ploughman**, **Oyin Jones Mitchell**, **John Lash**, **Rani Crosby**, **Rotimi Ladapo-Oguneye**, and **Jim Tindall Meadows** attended the conference.



Department News & Notes (continued)

KSU's Model African Union Excels at Regional and National Competitions

by Sumi Moon

On March 21 – 24, 2013, Kennesaw State University's Model African Union Team participated in the 11th Annual National Model African Union Conference in Washington, DC, hosted by Howard University and the African Union Mission to the United States. This year also happens to be the 50th anniversary of the Organization of African Unity (1963-2001) + the African Union (2002-2013).

Fifty-three of the fifty-four member-states of the AU were represented by forty colleges and universities from across the United States and Canada, comprising about 300 students. KSU's Model African Union team represented Ghana, Equatorial Guinea and the Republic of the Congo in five committees: Executive Council; Committee on Democracy; Governance and Human Rights; Technical Committee on Economic Matters; Technical Committee on Social Matters; and Peace and Security Committee. All sixteen delegates successfully represented their respective countries with professionalism. Just three months prior, the team participated in the regional Southeast Model African Union Conference, hosted by Savannah State University, November 8-10, 2012.

Consistent with KSU's "take no prisoner" reputation for substantive, "in-character" vigorous debates in these simulations, this year's team demonstrated outstanding leadership and diplomatic skills in all committees. KSU's performance is especially noteworthy, because unlike many other universities where the MAU is offered for course credit, our students participate in these activities voluntarily and do not receive academic credit. Two of our delegates were recognized with Outstanding Delegate Awards in their respective committees: **Rama Balde** representing Equatorial Guinea on the Technical Committee on Economic Matters, and **Max Harris** representing Equatorial Guinea on the Committee on Democracy, Governance and Human Rights.

The rest of the delegation, under the able leadership of team captain **Sumi Moon**, are: **Chioma Amarachi Amako**, **Michael Walter Carter**, **Fatou Mbye**, **Mahlet F. Ekoubegzi**, **Andrew Kyle Edwards**, **Robert Brett Gilbert**, **Cayce Hoover**, **Scout Wood**, **Julian A. Thompson**, **Reginald L. Williams II**, **Cheick Omar T. Lelenta**, **Edward G. Mwangi**, and **Ya Marie Jack**. The faculty advisor is **Dr. Nuru Akinyemi**.



Department News & Notes (continued)

KSU'S Model NATO Team Impressive at the International Model NATO Conference

by Stephen McKelvey

Eleven Kennesaw State students participated in the 28th Annual International Model NATO Conference held in Washington, D.C. Ten of these students represented Poland on the North Atlantic Council, the Political Affairs Committee, the Defense Planning Committee, the Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council, and the Nuclear Planning Group. One student represented Ukraine in the Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council. These students received a briefing in the Embassy of the Republic of Poland on the 14th of February. **Dr. Justyna Godlewska-Bartkeiwicz** of the Embassy, who gave the briefing, told her friends on Facebook that the Kennesaw students were “wonderful interlocutors, so brilliant and passionate about NATO and Poland.” The Polish Embassy posted a group photograph of Dr. Bartkeiwicz-Godlewska with the team on the Embassy’s Facebook page and referred to the “team of brilliant, young Atlanticists”, noting that the Embassy was “impressed with the students’ knowledge, determination, and passion.” Whereas most Embassy briefings traditionally last about an hour, Dr. Bartkeiwicz-Godlewska generously spent almost two and one-half hours discussing the details of Polish defense policy and Alliance politics.

At the conference itself, the Polish Delegation lived up to Kennesaw State’s long tradition of excellence in intercollegiate simulations. Poland was represented with authenticity, energy, and enthusiasm in every committee. This fact was commented on by several faculty advisors from other schools and from the NATO assigned personnel of the US Government working with the simulation. **Stephen McKelvey**, the NATO Team’s faculty advisor, was justifiably proud of his students at the conference, because to represent Poland with accuracy requires a readiness to stand against prevailing currents to defend Poland’s interests with intelligence, persuasive argument, and determination. By accomplishing this task, the entire team earned the respect of their own faculty advisor and of the entire conference. Two of the Polish delegates from Kennesaw State, **Ruth Forsyth** and **Benjamin Thornton** won awards for superior achievement in the Nuclear Planning Group. In addition to Ms. Forsyth and Mr. Thornton, other Poland Team Members included: **Jared Lafferty** on the North Atlantic Council, **Anna Gorczynska** and **Rachel Walton** on the Political Affairs Committee, **Carole Nanguy** on the Defense Planning Committee, **Pamela Kirkland** and **Natasha Quintana** on the Committee for Emerging Security Challenges, and **Kimberly Watson** on the Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council. **Kristin Aprile** represented Ukraine on the Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council and **Russell Midkiff** served as captain for this year’s Model NATO Team.

A total of twenty three colleges and universities sent delegations to represent the twenty-eight Allies of the Atlantic Alliance and two partner states. Sixteen of these were from the United States, one each from Belgium and the United Kingdom, and five from Canada. Schools represented at the conference included: University of Brussels, The Citadel, Cleveland State University, The Royal Military College of Canada, Kent State University, University of Quebec, and Virginia Tech. Top team awards were won by delegations from Northeastern University and Converse College.

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Kennesaw Community Saddened By Loss of Coy Dumas

by Stephen McKelvey

The Department is saddened to report the passing of one of our students, **Coy Dumas**, on 4th April 2013. Although not formally one of our majors, Coy Dumas was very much a part of our Department. He served as Supplemental Instruction Leader for POLS 1101 classes for six semesters, from Fall 2009 through Spring 2012. He helped hundreds of other students to achieve their best in these classes and was a constant source of inspiration, optimism and good cheer. Many students said that without his help, they would never have achieved success in the American Government course.

Coy was also a dedicated member of the Global Society and served as a natural leader with our Model UN Program. From 2007 to 2012, Coy was a distinguished member of our UN Teams at the Southern Regional Model UN, the National Model UN in New York, and the Harvard World Model UN in Puebla, Mexico. He served as team captain three times: Team Poland in Fall 2008, Team Netherlands in 2011, and again for Team Poland in Spring 2012. He was also a leader in the KSU High School Model United Nations Program.

During May 2012, Coy traveled to Poland with his friend and mentor **Professor Stephen McKelvey**. It was Coy's first trip to Europe and he made the most of it by visiting Warsaw, Cracow, and of course, Grunwald. The Poles loved the fact that he knew so much about their history and culture. They loved his positive outlook on life, his enthusiasm, and his contagious smile. Coy was making final preparations for a teaching career in Social Sciences when he died. Coy was a natural teacher and would have brought history to life for thousands of students, had he lived. His loss leaves a hole in the heart of the Kennesaw community he loved.



Faculty News & Notes

Dr. Tavishi Bhasin published a co-authored article titled “Taking the Fight to Them: Neighborhood INGOs and Domestic Protest” in *British Journal of Political Science*, and also presented a poster titled “Beyond Secession: Explaining the Full Spectrum of Autonomy Demands”, co-authored with graduate student, **Jason Gress**, at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Dr. Stephen Collins published a book chapter, “Economic Instruments of Internal Conflict Control,” in William Lahneman and Joseph Rudolph, eds., *From Mediation to Nation Building: Third Parties and the Management of Communal Conflict*, (Lanham, MD: Lexington Press/Rowman Littlefield, 2013). Dr. Collins presented a paper on “The Ascent of South-South Aid: Strategic Motivation And Strategic Effects” at the Annual Meeting of the International Political Science Association, Madrid, Spain Conference. He served as conference co-chair, along with **Dr. Thomas Doleys**, for the 2012 International Studies Association-South (ISA South) Annual Conference in Atlanta, GA, which was the largest ISA South conference in many years; it included thirty-five panels covering a broad range of topics in international affairs, and was attended by scholars from across the region, the US, and the world. **Dr. Collins** also conducted workshops and presented lectures on U.S. Foreign Policy for a visiting delegation of government officials from Jiangsu Province, China, as part of the KSU Confucius Institute’s International HR Management Training Program.

Dr. Jeff DeWitt published an article titled “Political Sophistication and Presidential Candidate Considerations: Disentangling the Effects of Interest, Knowledge, and Media Exposure” in *American Review of Politics*, and co-authored, with **Dr. Carolyn Carlson** and **Dr. Kerwin Swint**, an article titled “A Comparative Case Study of Georgia Delegations at the 2012 National Party Conventions” forthcoming in *Georgia Journal of Public Policy*.

Dr. Andrew I.E. Ewoh served as a guest co-chair of the Permanent Study Group on Public and Nonprofit Marketing, an affiliate of the European Group for Public Administration (EGPA) in Bergen, Norway; he delivered a presentation titled “From Eastside to Westside Tax Allocation Districts: The Case of Economic Redevelopment Financing in the City of Atlanta, Georgia, USA” at the Norway conference. Dr. Ewoh was elected as President of the Conference of Minority Public Administrators at its 2013 conference in Long Beach, California. He also delivered presentations to visiting Chinese government officials from the City of Hangzhou at the Mercer University Atlanta campus and served as guest speaker at a plenary session on Change and Sustainability—Social Equity and Higher Education, organized by the National Academy of Public Administration.

Dr. Maia Hallward received a CHSS summer research grant to work on finalizing her book manuscript on *Transnational Activism in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict* (Palgrave Publishing), and to begin research and writing for a co-edited textbook, titled *Understanding Nonviolence: Contours and Contexts* (Polity Press). Dr. Hallward published a paper, co-authored with **Dr. Tavishi Bhasin**, on Hamas and the Formation of Political Parties in a special issue of *Terrorism and Political Violence*, and presented a paper on the Presbyterian Church USA debates surrounding the decision on whether to divest from Caterpillar, at the International Studies Association Annual Convention.

Faculty News & Notes (continued)

Dr. Sherrill Hayes presented “The Greensboro Landlord Tenant Dispute Program” and participated in a panel on Conflict Resolution in Higher Education Programs at the Annual Conference of the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR). Dr. Hayes presented “Sports as a Tool for Identity Maintenance and Development: A Case Study of the Triad International Soccer League” at the 4th Conference on Immigration to the Southeast: Policy Analysis, Conflict Management.

Dr. Timothy Hedeem published “Collaborating for our Children’s Future: Mediation of Special Education Disputes” in the *ABA Dispute Resolution Magazine* 18(4), co-authored with **Philip Moses**. Dr. Hedeem also led a four-day workshop on Mediation and Court ADR programs for thirty-five Nigerian Judges, hosted by the Center for Conflict Management. He was sworn in as a Supreme Court appointed member of the Georgia Commission on Dispute Resolution, and was elected president of the KSU Chapter of the American Association of University Professors.

Dr. Heather Pincock published “Does Deliberation Make Better Citizens” in *Democracy in Motion: Evaluating the Practice and Impact of Deliberative Civic Engagement*. Dr. Pincock presented “Everyday Models of Citizenship: Affectation and Avoidance” at the Association for Political Theory Annual Meeting and delivered a series of workshops for Atlanta’s Road Fellows (a program of the Episcopal Service Corps) on interpersonal communication, conflict styles, and interest-based problem solving with **Reneé Jones**, Cohort XIII. She presented “Intergroup Dialogue Programs: A Way to End Racism?” as part of the KSU Peace Studies Fall Lecture Series, and organized KSU’s first Undergraduate Mock Mediation Team to participate in the upcoming National Intercollegiate Mock Mediation Tournament at Brenau University.

Dr. Susan Raines published a book, titled *Conflict Management for Managers* (John Wiley & Sons), launched *Expert Mediators: Overcoming Mediation Challenges in Workplace, Family and Community Conflicts* with **Jean Poitras**, which is available on Amazon.com. Dr. Raines provided Continuing Education Training for 60 mediators in Cobb County; presented “How Expert Mediators Overcome Process Challenges” at the Annual Conference of the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR); and presented the Annual Report, with **Dain Murphy**, to the Editorial Board of *Conflict Resolution Quarterly* at the ACR Annual Conference. She also edited a colloquy on Dialogue Processes for *Conflict Resolution Quarterly* and facilitated an all-day meeting of the North Georgia Water Resource Agencies.

Dr. Kenneth White published an article titled “The Title and Three Core Values from the First Three Lines of The Declaration of Independence” in the *Journal of Political Science Education* which presents a lesson plan on the American founding era, based on an explication of the title and the first three lines of the Declaration of Independence. Dr. White also co-authored an article titled “Marijuana Prohibition in California: Racial Prejudice and Selective Arrests,” in *Race, Gender, and Class* and presented a paper on “Pop Culture Politics: The Age of Comedy” and another on “Dual Federalism and Immigration in the United States”. He has a book coming out (in 2014) with PublishAmerica titled *How to Apply to Law Schools and Write (Think) Like a Law Student* and has a contract to publish an American Government textbook with Kendall/Hunt. We are pleased to announce that **Dr. White** was elected to serve as the President of the KSU Faculty Senate.

Dr. Michele Zebich-Knos authored a piece on National Geographic's Newswatch Blog titled ["South Sudan: Oil, the Environment and Border Conflicts."](#)



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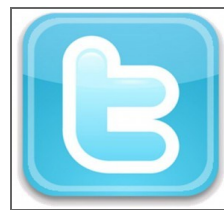
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| PASA | Dr. Bill Baker |
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