Global Studies News

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

It has been a busy second half of the spring semester for Global Studies! On March 18th, we co-hosted award-winning author Mohsin Hamid as this year’s Hanway Lecture and Humanities Symposium keynote speaker. Mr. Hamid spent that afternoon with Global Studies and humanities students as a guest of the GT 400 Capstone course, and then delivered an exceptional lecture on migration and movement that was laced with personal stories before returning to Pakistan that evening.

On April 4th, we inducted members of the Class of 2019 to Sigma Iota Rho, the honor society in Global Studies. In all, 20 students were inducted, and Dean Fowl, Dean Getz, and members of the Global Studies Steering Committee joined to congratulate our students on their academic achievement. That same weekend, the Class of 2019 presented their capstone projects during the Capstone Poster Session on April 6th, part of Academic Excellence Weekend. 33 Global Studies seniors presented 10 projects on issues ranging from gender-based violence to refugee resettlement to environmental sustainability.

Bookending all of this, we also had two successful spring open houses for admitted students. The Class of 2023 showed a great deal of interest in Global Studies and information sessions were packed (standing room only!) with visiting parents and prospective students.

As the semester rapidly draws to a close, we are preparing to say farewell to our graduating seniors with a celebration on Study Day (Wednesday, May 1st) from 3-5 PM in HU-250. Seniors: please join us! (And also, please let us know your post-Loyola plans!). To all: good luck with finals and have a wonderful summer!

Best,

Mary Kate Schneider
Director, Global Studies Program

NEWLY APPROVED GT COURSES

IB 470 Special Topics: The Global Environment of Business (Topic 1). See page 2 for more details on this course.
GT COURSE SPOTLIGHT: STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE OF EC 348 : DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

Jacob Landis, Class of 2019

One of my favorite Global Studies classes at Loyola was Development Economics (EC348) with Fabio Mendez. The class provided interesting challenges related to economics, poverty, and financial advancement of developing countries, societies, and communities. In class, we got to interact with real data through Excel regarding impoverishment around the world and in the United States. We learned techniques, real-life applications, and vast amounts of information that economists in the world utilize today. While the course was certainly a challenge, it was one that taught me invaluable information regarding the global economy in which we live and experience today.

NEW COURSE: THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT OF BUSINESS

Globalization, Sanctions, Populism, Tariffs, Trade, Brexit, Culture, Migration, Climate Change, Displacement, Marginalization, Technology, AI, Social Media, Sustainability, Nationalism....

Have you ever been curious how the pieces of the global puzzle fit together? How the local and global connect and influence one another? How political science, sociology and business interact and intersect? Through current events and real cases we explore these and other important questions in a new course being offered this fall semester—The Global Environment of Business (IB 470). This course will analyze the multidimensional aspects of globalization and the global political economy, and it will examine their impact on the regulatory, legal, political, societal and cultural contexts and environments in which businesses, governments, institutions, organizations and global actors operate. For more information, please contact Astrid Schmidt-King, Executive in Residence, Management and International Business, at aschmidt-king@loyola.edu.
FOR FACULTY: HOW TO SUBMIT NEW COURSES TO GLOBAL STUDIES

Faculty wishing to submit new Global Studies courses should e-mail the Director (mschneider5@loyola.edu) with the following:

- course name and number;
- a sample syllabus (or detailed course description, if the syllabus does not yet exist), and the area(s) of the GT curriculum that the course would fulfill (for example: a new 300-level non-Western History course might serve as an Analytical course as well as a Topic 2 course).

Faculty from any department may submit courses at any time and courses are reviewed on a rolling basis.

2019 HANWAY LECTURE and HUMANITIES SYMPOSIUM KEYNOTE

Award-winning author Mohsin Hamid delivered the 2019 Hanway Lecture in Global Studies and the Humanities Symposium Keynote Address on Monday, March 18, at 7 p.m. in Loyola’s Reitz Arena.

Congratulations to Global Studies Major Lena Haaf ‘19: Fulbright U.S. Student Award Winner

Lena Haaf (2019) is one of eight Loyola students receiving the 2019 Fulbright U.S. student award. This prestigious award is a program of the United States Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Lena will use her award to teach English in Argentina beginning in March 2020. The Fulbright award allows U.S. students to facilitate cultural exchange in more than 140 countries around the world through teaching English and/or engaging in research.
ALUMNI AND STUDENT NEWS

We love hearing updates from our Global Studies students and alumni. Current students, please keep us in mind while updating your CVs and before and after graduation. If you receive any awards, internships, acceptance into a graduate program, or whether you are traveling on a trip of a lifetime, graduating from grad school or working in a field that you dreamt of as a Global Studies major, we would love to hear how you are doing—so please let us know what we can include in our future newsletters! Please email any updates to:

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GLOBAL STUDIES FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Congratulations to Dr. David Carey, Jr. for being named a Guggenheim Fellow. Dr. Carey is also the Doehler Chair in the History Department and teaches HS 395/TH 215 Violence and Holiness in 20th Century El Salvador.

Happy Retirement to Dr. Katherine Brennan and Dr. Elizabeth Schmidt!

New publications:


SIGMA IOTA RHO INDUCTION

Congratulations to our students who were inducted into the Sigma Iota Rho Honor Society for International Studies on April 4th. The students received a scroll, a pin, and honor cords and will have their accomplishment reflected on their transcripts as well as the Commencement program. The following students were inducted into the Honor Society:

Monisha Barnes
Elizabeth Bellar
Nicole Ciepiela
Isabel Cieri
Madeline Crowell
Madeline Cuddy
Lewis Erickson
Emily Griffin

Lena Haaf
Michael Hegarty
Jacob Landis
Hannah Loiselle
Marie Anne Louis-Charles
Isabella Luque
Ethan Miller

Delani Pecchioli
Ann Schuck
Sawyer Scott
Deseri Tsepetis
6.50 pm today on the River Kwai. I came to Kanchana-buri with our group of 29 and three professors. The bus ride in was long, due to traffic but then things improved dramatically when we arrived. We have lovely lodgings for the night at the Felix River Kwai Resort. I posed by the River Kwai, made famous with a film on it based on the history of the Japanese and of how they captured and treated Australian and other prisoners during World War II. The little shacks and floating restaurants are certainly inviting and their lights reflect gently yet sweetly in the quiet waters. We await dinner at one of these places and the mood is upbeat. Hope you too are having a great evening and the start of a good weekend.
SENIOR CAPSTONE PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

The 2019 Capstone projects were showcased in the Annual Poster Session on April 6 as a part of the Academic Excellence Weekend. The 33 senior Global Studies students enrolled in Global Studies 400 Capstone Seminar partnered with community agencies in Baltimore City. Working in groups, students were assigned the challenge of designing a local solution to a global problem.

Students spend 15 weeks brainstorming, identifying an issue they would like to tackle, reaching out to potential community partners, and then designing and implementing a project—in conjunction with their community partner—that makes a measurable difference in the issue area that students have chosen to target. From this experience, students take away skills that they can apply in their post-Loyola careers, including project management, fundraising, and data analysis skills.

Community partners included the Baltimore Orchard Project/Civic Works, Soccer Without Borders, House of Ruth/Men Greater Than Violence, the U.S. Dream Academy, Loyola Sustainability, Ortus Academy, Lakeland Elementary School, Esperanza Center, and the Tahirih Justice Center. Issues included immigrant and refugee resettlement, environmental consciousness and sustainability, combating food deserts, and addressing gender-based violence.

Congratulations to all the Global Studies Class of 2019 students graduating this year! To all of our Global Studies students, thank you for a great year. See you back in the fall!