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Top Stories

Adieu, Europe, Asia: Americans Favor Trade Deals Closer to Home

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

A [Wall Street Journal online](#) exclusive based on the results of the **Center for North American Studies** poll on attitudes regarding

tri-national issues revealed that a majority of Americans would rather trade with Mexico and Canada rather than Europe. (10/31)

Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership



[Government Executive](#) highlighted the **School of Public Affairs'** signature event—the 36th Annual Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership—which recognizes federal employees for their outstanding leadership and service. The article noted the special significance of this year's ceremony in the aftermath of sequestration, the government shutdown, and Washington Navy Yard shootings. [Politico](#) previewed the event. (10/30, 10/29)

Additional Features

Fulbright Starts Efforts to Help Alumni Keep Global Ties

THE CHRONICLE

of Higher Education.

[Chronicle of Higher Education online](#) included **American University** on the list of top schools that produced the most Fulbright students for this academic year, noting that 10 of AU's 32 applicants were chosen. (10/28)

The Myth of the *War of the Worlds* Panic



On the 75th anniversary of Orson Welles' production of H G Wells' *War of the Worlds*, [Slate.com](#) highlighted journalism professor **W. Joseph Campbell's** research from his book, *Getting It Wrong: Ten of the Greatest Misreported Stories in American Journalism* which debunked a longstanding myth that the production caused mass panic. More than **50** outlets, including **El Paso Times**, **Chicago Tribune** and **Orlando Sun Sentinel** republished this article. Campbell also spoke to [BBC Radio](#) on this topic. (10/26, 10/28)

American Students Embrace Israeli Art



[Jewish News One Television](#) noted that the **American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center's** most recent donation from art collector Dr. Donald Rothfeld has expanded people's perception of contemporary Israeli art. (10/30)

Op-Eds/AU Authors

Democrats: It's the States, Stupid



REUTERS

In an op-ed for [Reuters](#), law professor **Herman Swartz** wrote about how Democrats need to learn what Republicans have already identified—gaining control of state legislatures help elect more of their political party to Congress. (10/29)

Expertise

Insight: U.S. Congress Finds Cure for Gridlock in Water



REUTERS

Patrick Griffin, associate director of the Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, spoke to [Reuters](#) about why the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bipartisan \$8 billion water infrastructure budget. More than **30** outlets republished this article. (10/29)

Post 9/11, NSA Spying 'Virtually Unchecked'



With [Agence France Presse](#), international service professor **Gordon Adams** traced how National Security Agency since 9/11 began overstepping its bounds by citing the threat posed by Al-Qaeda. More than **30** outlets republished this article. Separately, **Adams** spoke to [Bloomberg](#) about the budget battles in Congress the Pentagon faces in an effort to escape sequestration. (10/26, 10/30)

Users Booted From Wikipedia Over 'Sock Puppetry' Accusations



Communication professor **Andrew Lih** spoke to [American Public Radio's Marketplace Morning Report](#) to explain the meaning of 'sock puppetry', or a single human being creating many user accounts on one internet platforms. (10/25)

Obama Heads to Boston to Defend Obamacare While Sebelius Takes Heat in D.C.



Communication professor **Leonard Steinhorn** talked to [U.S. News & World Report online](#) about difficulties President Obama has had in talking about the new healthcare policy and website. (10/29)

Many Vested Interests Benefit From a Lack of Open Government



In a Q&A with [The Guardian](#), international service professor **Jonathan Fox** discussed his research on open government reforms and what his hopes are for the 2013 Open Government Partnership summit. (10/30)