Top Stories

Unravelling Capitalism's Hidden Networks of Power

Kogod School of Business international finance professor Robin Lumsdaine's research is featured in a New Scientist article about the 29 systematically important financial institutions (SIFIs) selected by the Financial Stability Board and the IMF to avoid another financial crisis. Lumsdaine's research measures SIFIs complexity because firms with a complex structure can be a source of dangerous financial uncertainty. (5/20)

Why Young People Don't Want to Run For Office


Gains by ISIS Prompt Questions about U.S. Strategy

For WAMU's The Diane Rehm Show on NPR, international service distinguished scholar-in-residence Nora Bensahel spoke about ISIS' seizing Ramadi and efforts to retake the Iraqi city. Bensahel discussed the symbolism of this defeat and the U.S. strategy moving forward. She also appeared on Federal News Radio and spoke to the Washington Times. International service practitioner-in-residence Lt. Gen. David Barno spoke to Reuters about the "unwarranted amount of optimism about progress against ISIS" separating the rhetoric from reality. (5/17 - 5/20)

Additional Features

How to Get Arrested Without Really Trying

NPR's Here & Now featured an Investigative Reporting Workshop (IRW) report about the District of Columbia’s broad definition of the “assault on a police officer” law. IRW’s AU graduate students found that in two-thirds of the cases examined, the only charge against the arrestee was "assault on a police officer." (5/19)

Ancient Art of Shandong Displayed

China Daily featured a story about the opening reception and exhibit of ancient art from China’s Shandong province now on display at American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center. AU alumna and Maryland First Lady Yumi Hogan attended the reception. The exhibit contains more than 60 kinds of rubbings of stone inscriptions taken during the Qin and Han Dynasties. (5/20)
Graduating Without a Plan? That's How This Millennial Ended Up At the White House

*Forbes* featured Kogod School of Business graduate Vivian Graubard in a “Self-Made Women” article about her journey to becoming senior advisor to the United States Chief Technology Officer at the White House. (5/18)

How Tim Russert helped This Intern Become the Executive Producer for ‘Meet the Press’

*BizWomen* featured School of Public Affairs executive-in-residence Betsy Fischer Martin in an article about her career at NBC’s Meet the Press. Fischer Martin shared three key lessons she learned from Tim Russert that shaped her work and personal life. (5/18)

Faculty Author
Do Black Presidents Matter?

International service professor Clarence Lusane in his op-ed for *Tribune News Service* argued that President Obama as the first black president cannot change institutional and structural racism alone. Lusane advocated for active black civil society to engage in electoral politics, mass protest and resistance. (5/22)

Expertise
Coalition of Labor, Immigrant Groups Flexing Muscles in Va. Local Races

Metropolitan Policy Center director Derek Hyra spoke to the *Washington Post* about the opportunity for candidates in Virginia’s local elections to reach out to the growing populations of Latinos and Asians. (5/18)

Congress Plots to Pay for a Trade Deal by Raiding Medicare

For a story about the Trade Assistance Program and Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal, *Los Angeles Times* featured economics professor Kara Reynolds’ trade assistance research. Reynolds’ found that workers receiving assistance did scarcely better than other laid-off workers at finding new employment. (5/18)

Obama’s Missing Police-Reform Proposal

Law professor William Yeomans spoke to the *Atlantic* about President Obama’s Task Force on 21st Century Policing report. Yeomans discussed the reforms missing from the report. (5/18)

Don’t Leave Money on the Table: Tips for Negotiating Salaries as a College Grad

Career Development director Susan Gordon spoke to *NBC New York* about salary negotiation tips for recent college graduates entering the workforce. (5/19)
U.S., Cuba to Focus on Re-opening Embassies

Government professor William LeoGrande appeared on Voice of America Television to discuss the United States removing Cuba from the State Sponsor of Terrorism list and the re-opening of embassies in Havana and Washington. (5/18)

National Security and the Schoolhouse

For a special Schoolhouse edition of a War on the Rocks podcast, international service professor Stephen Tankel discussed how he began his career in academia. Tankel and the other guests discussed the intersection between the policy world and the academy. (5/20)

Bonus

Entertainment and Media Alumni Alliance Hosts Launch Party in DC

The District Insider and the Fab Empire featured an American University Alumni Association event for its new Entertainment and Media Alumni Alliance. (5/19)