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## AU Newsmakers

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## Top Stories

### March's Unmet Challenges, Five Decades Later



In an on-camera interview from the AU quad, [USA Today's Capitol Download](#) featured government professor [Julian Bond](#) and his reflections on the March on Washington 50 years ago where he coordinated logistics for civil rights leaders, celebrities, and the media. Bond also explains how there is still work to be done in terms of achieving equality and addressing ongoing injustices. (8/26)

### The March on Washington: 50 Years Later



International service professor **Clarence Lusane** kicked off [C-SPAN Washington Journal's](#) weekend coverage of the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington. During his 1-hour appearance, Lusane discussed the history of the march and its lasting impact. (8/23)

## AU Author/Op-Eds

### Teaching Journalism Abroad Means Challenging the Status Quo



In an op-ed for [PBS Mediashift online](#), communication professor **Rick Rockwell** wrote about the need to change his approach to teaching journalism abroad, as it is much different from teaching journalism in the United States. (8/27)

### Obama and the Power to Go to War



Government professor **Christopher Edelson** wrote an op-ed for the [Los Angeles Times](#) arguing that the War Powers Act presents a serious dilemma for President Obama as he ponders retaliation in Syria. **Edelson** also spoke to [WUSA-CBS9](#) about the current situation. (8/30)

## Expertise

### 50 Year Later, Hotline to Moscow Still Relevant



The [Associated Press](#) spoke to School of International Service dean **James Goldgeier** about the significance of the Washington-Moscow hotline throughout the past 50 years and its technological evolution. [ABCNews.com](#), [Boston Globe](#), and

[New York Daily News](#) republished this article. (8/29)

## Argentina Loses Appeal in U.S. Bond Debt Case



Associated Press

International service professor **Arturo Porzecanski** spoke to the [Associated Press](#) about Argentina's stubbornness in complying with a U.S. Court of Appeals' ruling and the country's commitment to repay their debts. *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and

*Chicago Tribune* republished this article. (8/23)

## Fighting Extradition is 'Bargaining Chip' for J.P. Morgan Traders

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

[Wall Street Journal online](#) spoke to law professor **Stephen Vladeck** about the legal ramifications surrounding two J.P. Morgan traders facing extradition from Europe for their role in covering up billions of dollars in losses in the past year. (8/27)

## AU Wonks Weigh-in on Syria Conflict



International service professors **Benjamin Jensen** and **David Bosco** talked about the current conflicts in Syria. **Jensen** spoke to [Fox News Channel](#) and [CTV](#) (Canada) about the consequences of retaliating. On [BBC-TV](#), **Bosco** discussed international legal principles about potential Syrian punishment, and [The Guardian](#) (United Kingdom) cited **Bosco's** article in *Foreign Policy* about UN action in Syria. (8/27, 8/28)

## August is a Busy Season for Interest Groups



With [American Public Radio's Marketplace](#), history professor **Allan Lichtman** talked about the abundance of special interest groups using the August recess to influence Congress on bills that will come up for vote this fall. (8/29)

## U.S. Destroyers Near Syria, Oil Market Likely to Shrug Off a Strike



With the [Christian Science Monitor](#), international service professor **Jeff Colgan** explained how events in Syria should not impact oil prices unless the conflict spills over to its oil-rich neighbors. (8/27)

## Lessons of 1986 Show IRS Code Revision Tougher This Time: Taxes



**David Kautter**, managing director of the Kogod Tax Center, talked to [Bloomberg](#) about the new problems that have surfaced in revising the IRS tax code since the beginning of the tax reform effort in 1986. (8/26)

## Media Makes the Manning Switch



[TIME Magazine online](#) spoke to anthropology professor **William Leap** about LGBTQ language issues surfacing in the media coverage about the Army private formerly known as Bradley Manning, who identifies as female and wishes to be called Chelsea. (8/28)