Top Story
AU Faculty and Students React to Death of Ben Bradlee
For WRC TV-NBC4, SPExS professor Iris Krasnow and Washington Semester Program journalism students studying Watergate provided their reactions to Washington Post editor Ben Bradlee’s death. Krasnow said Bradlee was edgy, reflective, and honest. Students said Bradlee sought the truth, was fascinating, and made them honor journalism. (10/22)

Op-Eds/AU Authors
Rural Voters May Have Final Say in Iowa Senate Race
For an NBCNews.com op-ed, American Communities Project director Dante Chinni identifies how Iowa is a political outlier compared to the rest of rural middle America that tends to favor Republican candidates. Chinni explains that rural Iowa’s economy recovered more than that of the rest of rural America making the U.S. senate race their very competitive. (10/23)

The Hysteria about Ebola Needs to Stop
For a McClatchy-Tribune News Service op-ed, International Service professor Clarence Lusane explained that the general lack of knowledge and stereotypes regarding Africa in the United States are fueling racism and misguided policies in response to Ebola arriving in the United States. (10/22)

Expertise
Fitness Trackers Motivate an Exercise Movement
For NBC Nightly News, Kogod School of Business marketing professor Cristel Russell discussed wearable motion-sensor devices that give real-time progress reports and help motivate people to be more active. Russell explained that by measuring physical activity knowledge is gained thus enabling improved monitoring and control of one’s health. (10/19)

Indonesian Leader in Global Spotlight
UNESCO Chair in Transnational Challenges and Governance and chair of the ASEAN Studies Center Amitav Acharya spoke to the New York Times about Indonesia’s new President Joko Widodo. Acharya explained Indonesia is a regional power that will strive to keep ASEAN together. (10/21)
Scandal Over Brazilian Oil Company Adds Turmoil to the Presidential Race

International Service professor Matthew Taylor spoke to the New York Times about corruption within Brazil’s state oil company Petrobras and allegations that the company was funneling money into political campaigns. (10/19)

Special Report: U.S. Visa Program for Crime Victims Is Hit-or-Miss Prospect

Director of the National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project at the Washington College of Law Leslye Orloff spoke to Reuters about how U-visas – a visa for crime victims living in the United States – are handled at the local level for verification of applicants to prevent fraud. (10/21)

A Look at the Airstrikes Against ISIS

School of International Service dean James Goldgeier appeared on Fox News Channel’s Shepard Smith Reporting to discuss the limits of coalition airstrikes in Syria and Iraq without reliable partners on the ground. (10/17)

Behind The Scenes: Ethics of Wolf Wars and Turtle Travels

For NPR online, Center for Environmental Filmmaking director Chris Palmer discussed his upcoming book Confessions of a Wildlife Filmmaker where he exposes ethical violations committed in the wildlife entertainment industry. Palmer also criticizes a number of wildlife films and TV programs. (10/23)

In Search of Female Voters

Women & Politics Institute director Jennifer Lawless spoke to U.S. News & World Report about female candidates running in the midterm elections and the role party affiliation plays over gender in elections for female voters. Lawless said women have been voting predominantly Democratic consistently since 1998. (10/20)

Nazi War Criminals Collect Social Security

History professor Richard Breitman appeared on WUSA TV-CBS9 to discuss the revelation that deported Nazis living abroad received Social Security benefits from the United States. The story mentioned Breitman’s experience in the past providing testimony during court proceedings to revoke the citizenship rights of two Nazis. (10/20)

Congressional Ethics

For Federal News Radio’s FEDTalk, Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies director James Thurber appeared as part of a panel to discuss the call for reform of the Congressional ethics process, especially with regards to the recent Public Citizen report “The Case for Independent Ethics Agencies”. (10/17)

Ebola Outbreak Opens Opportunity for Unlikely US-Cuba Cooperation

International Business Times spoke to government professor William LeoGrande about low-key U.S.-Cuba bi-lateral relations and collaboration on several issues including responding to humanitarian crises like Ebola in West Africa. (10/21)
Evangelical Christian Pastors Frame Environmentalism in Religious Terms

The California newspaper *Imperial Valley Press* featured research by sociology professor *Chenyang Xiao* on Christians and environmentalism. *Xiao* examined general survey data about respondents’ attitudes on environmental issues and concluded there’s been little change in Christian attitudes toward the environment over the last 20 years. (10/20)

'The Salinas Project' Portrays City in a Kinder Light

School of Communication professor and filmmaker *Carolyn Brown* spoke to the *Monterey Herald* about her new documentary, *The Salinas Project*, which features four children of immigrant farm workers who are succeeding in spite of their challenging life circumstances such as poverty and crime. (10/17)