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**Top Stories**

**GM Comes Closest to Being Truly 'American-Made'**  
*Los Angeles Times* highlighted international business professor Frank Dubois's research about which automobile models most live up to their claim of being made in America. The *Orlando Sun Sentinel* and *Baltimore Sun* republished this story. (4/12)

**Investors Favor Audits by Same Firm that Prepares Corporation’s Taxes**  
*Accounting Today* highlighted research co-authored by accounting professor Gopal Krishnan that reveals investor preferences in tax auditing. (4/15)

**JFK at AU**  
*Voice of Russia* produced a more than 5-minute radio segment about the Cold War stereotypes symposium. The event, hosted by AU's *Initiative for Russian Culture* celebrates the 50th anniversary of "A Strategy of Peace," JFK's policy speech imploring for nuclear test ban treaty between the U.S.S.R and the United States delivered during AU's 1963 commencement. (4/17)

**Expertise**

**Venezuelan Special Presidential Election**  
*Associated Press*  
Eric Hershberg, Center for Latin American and Latino Studies director, and international service professors Philip Brenner and Manuel Suarez-Mier provided analysis for the special Venezuelan presidential election to replace the deceased Hugo Chavez. Hershberg spoke to the *Associated Press*, while Brenner and Suarez-Mier appeared together in a *Voice of America Television* segment. (4/14)

**Walden Appears Safe from Threats of Challenge**  
*Associated Press*  
The *Associated Press* spoke to executive in residence Dotty Lynch about the backlash felt by Representative Greg Walden after his opposition to proposed cuts in President Obama's budget plan. The *Statesman Journal* and *Orlando Sun Sentinel* republished this article. (4/13)

**Study on Wealth Fuels Euro Crisis Debate in Germany**  
*The New York Times*  
The *New York Times* spoke to international service professor Stephen Silvia about the ongoing Euro crisis and new research on household wealth in countries using the Euro. Silvia highlighted the income disparity in eastern Germany versus western Germany. (4/15)
Obama Uses and Loses Political Capital on Gun Control
On NPR’s It’s All Politics, Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies director James Thurber talked about President Obama’s disappointment in the Senate’s failure to implement broader background checks for gun purchases on the Internet and at gun shows. (4/18)

'We Have to Do More': Michelle Obama’s Next Four Years
Executive in residence Anita McBride spoke to NPR’s It’s All Politics about Michelle Obama’s successful engagement in substantive issues. (4/12)

Thatcher, Britain’s First Female PM, Leaves a Mixed Legacy
History professor Laura Beers talked to the Christian Science Monitor about the legacy of former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. (4/12)

Obama Faces Renewed Scrutiny on Terror
Justice, law, and society professor Brian Forst and international service professor Gordon Adams talked about the Boston Marathon bombing and terrorism on American soil. Forst spoke to New York Post about the possibility of domestic extremists being responsible and Adams talked to Financial Times about counter terrorism funding. (4/16, 4/17)

At Many Offices, Half of Staff Think of Leaving
The Federal Times talked to Robert Tobias, Key Executive Leadership Programs director, about the Office of Personnel Management’s 2012 Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey that revealed a high level of dissatisfaction. (4/14)