



USFP NEWS

SELECTED FALL 2011 EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

“The Future of Power” with Joseph Nye

Thursday, September 8th
5:00-6:30pm
SIS Founders Room

MA Requirements Workshop

Friday, September 9th
4:30-5:15pm
Butler Board Room

U.S. Foreign Policy Opening Reception

Friday, September 9th
5:30-7:00pm
Butler Board Room

“Reflecting on 9/11: A Faculty Expert Panel”

Monday, September 12th
12:00-1:30pm
SIS Founders Room

OCTOBER

“The North American Idea” - Book Launch with Robert Pastor

Wednesday, October 5th
3:30-5:00pm
SIS Founders Room

“Our Own Worst Enemy?” - Book Launch with Sharon Weiner

Monday, October 24th
4:00-5:15pm
Room TBA

We are currently planning several other exciting events for this semester. Please watch the USFP listserv for more information.

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SIS Welcomes Foreign Policy Specialist James Goldgeier as Dean

It is an exciting time for both the School of International Service and for the U.S. Foreign Policy Program, as we welcome Dr. James Goldgeier as our new Dean. Dr. Goldgeier is a noted expert on U.S. foreign policy and international relations. His most recent book *America Between the Wars: From 11/9 to 9/11* (with Derek Chollet), was chosen as a Slate Magazine ‘Best Book’ and as a ‘Favorite Book’ by the Daily Beast. He is also the author of *Power and Purpose: U.S. Policy Toward Russia After the Cold War* (with Michael McFaul), which won a Georgetown University Leggold Book Prize for best book on international relations. Before coming to SIS, he was Professor of Political Science and International Relations at George Washington University. Dr. Goldgeier has also served in the State Department, on the National Security Council, and has been a long-time Senior Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations.

Noted Experts Discuss the Expansion of Executive Power After 9/11

In February, Louis Fisher of the Constitution Project, James Pfiffner of George Mason University, and Charlie Savage of the *New York Times* discussed the expansion of executive power after the September 11th, 2001 attacks at a panel discussion moderated by US Foreign Policy Director Shoon Murray. They also compared the records of George W. Bush and Barack Obama and noted the similarities and differences in executive power claimed by each president.



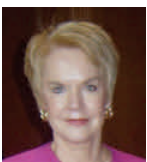
U.S. Foreign Policy Student Association Coffee Talk Series



The U.S. Foreign Policy Student Association, led by dynamic new officers, was extremely active this year. In addition to sponsoring social events, like a year end dinner between faculty and students, the USFPA hosted a series of coffee talks with faculty members on current issues related to U.S. foreign policy. Above, USFP Distinguished Ambassador-in-Residence Anthony Quainton discusses the diplomatic challenges of regime change. Other topics addressed at USFPA events included the new Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review, the U.S. role in Libya, and the effects of revolutions in Egypt and Tunisia on U.S. foreign policy.

New Faculty

David Mislán will join as a full-time faculty member and be teaching Theories of Decisionmaking in the fall. Mislán received his Ph.D. in Political Science from Rutgers in 2008. His first book, *Enemies of the American Way: Identity and Presidential Foreign Policymaking*, is forthcoming in 2011.



Ambassador Sally Shelton-Colby is a Diplomat-in-Residence at SIS and will be teaching undergraduate courses on US foreign policy full time this fall. She has previously served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Latin America and as U.S. Ambassador to Grenada, Barbados, and several other Eastern Caribbean nations.

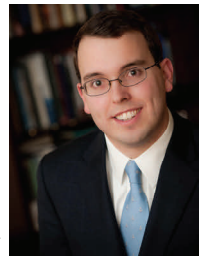
Garret Martin will teach Transatlantic Security and is currently Editor-at-Large at the European Institute, where he researches and writes on transatlantic relations. He received his Ph.D. from the London School of Economics.

Whitney Raas will teach National Security and Proliferation this fall and currently serves in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, where she is a nuclear engineer. She holds a Ph.D. in Nuclear Engineering and a MS in Political Science from MIT.

Stuart Johnson will teach Defense Policy and Force Planning in the spring and currently serves as a Senior Policy Analyst at the RAND Corporation. He obtained his Ph.D. in Physics from MIT and is the author of a number of books on defense planning.

Alumni Profile

Matthew Irvine employs the research and writing skills he honed in the U.S. Foreign Policy Program in his current positions as Research Assistant at the Center for a New American Security (CNAS) and as a consultant at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). At CNAS Matthew primarily works on Afghanistan and Pakistan (including co-authoring with General David W. Barno and Andrew Exum “Beyond Afghanistan: A Regional Security Strategy for South and Central Asia”) as well as defense policy issues; at CSIS he works on counter-threat finance and financial sanctions projects. While in the USFP Program, Matthew appreciated the flexibility to “construct a specialization based on your own interests and professional goals in addition to the core courses required.” In the future, he hopes to work in the federal government on transnational threats and terrorism.



Professor Sharon Weiner Earns Teaching Award

At this year’s SIS Award Ceremony, U.S. Foreign Policy Professor Sharon Weiner received the William Cromwell Award for Outstanding Teaching. Please join the U.S. Foreign Policy Program in congratulating Professor Weiner on this well-deserved award!



Professor Jordan Tama Releases New Book



This spring Professor Jordan Tama published his latest book, *Terrorism and National Security Reform: How Commissions Can Drive Change During Crises*. The book has received excellent reviews, including from new SIS Dean James Goldgeier, who wrote that the book “will be of tremendous value to scholars and policy makers alike.” Professor Tama held a book launch event in April to celebrate the release.

Want to help plan events for USFP?

Join the United States Foreign Policy Association here at SIS! The USFP Association was formed to help attract events of special interest to students of American Foreign Policy. We’ll be co-hosting the table talk series as well as other events designed to bring the USFP community closer together. We encourage all students interested to join and bring ideas for what they would like to see here at AU.

To learn more, contact usfpau@gmail.com