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Top Story

GOP Women Defend Party Against 'Anti-Women' Charge

 **Associated Press** [Jennifer Lawless](#), director of the Women & Politics Institute, explained to the [Associated Press](#) the significance of Republican women in the U.S. House of Representative defending their party against Democrat claims that the GOP is anti-woman. "The credibility of having done this event probably matters more electorally than the content of what they say," she said. More than 170 outlets including *Washington Post*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Denver Post* and *Seattle Times* republished this article. (6/22)


Op-Eds/Editorials

Can the Europeans Defend Themselves?


 **The New York Times** [James Goldgeier](#), incoming dean of the School of International Service, wrote a [NewYorkTimes.com](#) op-ed concerning NATO's future if the United States reduces its military involvement with the organization. "As the strategic threats shift away from Europe to Asia, the United States will inevitably devote more attention and resources to the Indian and Pacific oceans," wrote Goldgeier. (6/14)

Quotes


U.S. Pressing Its Crackdown Against Leaks

 **The New York Times** [Stephen Vladeck](#), professor of law, discussed with the [New York Times](#) the Obama administration's decision to increase penalties for individuals who leak classified information to the media. According to Vladeck, the best option would be a new statute tailored to fit leaks to the media, perhaps allowing defendants to argue that information disclosed should never have been classified in the first place. (6/18)


Ten Facts about Jon Huntsman and His Presidential Campaign

 **The Christian Science Monitor** "Can you even conceive of a Republican presidential nominee with the following resume: worked for Barack Obama, was an envoy to China, favors civil unions, favors action on global warming, once said he was comfortable with a mandate on health care—and is Mormon?" said [Allan Lichtman](#), professor of history, to the [Christian Science Monitor](#) about GOP presidential candidate Jon Huntsman. (6/21)

U.S. Competitiveness Becoming a Tale of Two Economies

 **CNBC** [Richard Linowes](#), assistant professor of management, explained to [CNBC.com](#) how the United States compares to other countries in the World Economic Forum's competitiveness survey. "The U.S. has motivated entrepreneurs and a supportive financial network, [both of] which promote innovation," said Linowes about the United States being ranked fourth in the world. (6/21)

Junk Food Fight: Should Ads Stop Targeting Teens?

 **NPR** [Kathryn Montgomery](#), professor of communication, spoke on [NPR's Morning Edition](#) about junk food advertising that specifically targets children and teens. "What we're talking about are very complicated and very subtle forms of marketing that aren't always clear as such," said Montgomery. (6/22)

Troop Reduction Won't Stop Military Spending on Afghanistan



Gordon Adams, professor of U.S. foreign policy, explained to [American Public Media's Marketplace](#) the effects of troop reduction in Afghanistan on military spending. "There's some savings in terms of hazardous duty pay, in terms of pays and benefits that go to families when they're overseas, but that's almost dust level savings, it's hardly measurable," said Adams. (6/22)

Great Dismal Swamp Landscape Study



On [UNC-TV's North Carolina Now](#), **Dan Sayers**, assistant professor of anthropology, discussed his research on Native Americans and maroons (formerly enslaved people) that formed resistance communities in the Great Dismal Swamp from the 1600's through the 1800's. "It's a pretty elaborate sort of history we're dealing with out here," said Sayers about the dig to uncover where these secret communities had existed. (6/21)

Texting and Email: No Time to Talk



[AARP Bulletin](#) interviewed **Naomi Baron**, professor of linguistics, for an article about why more people—including older Americans—now prefer sending a text or an email to picking up the phone and calling someone. "We may say we don't have the time, but what we lack is the patience to give somebody a hearing," said Baron. (6/20)