

The Sam Nunn School of International Affairs

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Special points of interest:

- Nunn School accepted into APSIA — 30 elite professional international affairs schools in the U.S., Asia and Europe
- Dr. Endicott accepts post at Woosong University in Korea
- GA Board of Regents considers Ph.D. program

Letter from the Chair



This has been a pivotal year for The Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, including two important developments in late summer.

On July 10th we received notification of acceptance into APSIA, the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs. With membership, The Nunn School joins the ranks of leading professional programs such as The Kennedy School at Harvard and The Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton.

Also, we learned that the Georgia Board of Regents will decide on our proposed Ph.D. program in International Affairs, Science and Technology early this fall. If approved, we will spread the word about the new program and begin to accept

applications this fall for the 2008-2009 school year.

These two developments position The Nunn School as one of the country's leading graduate programs in international affairs with a unique specialization in the areas of science, technology and international affairs, education and research.

Our undergraduate degree programs also continue to thrive. This year our enrollment exceeded 400 students. The undergraduate experience is enhanced by the expansion of our overseas programs. Under the direction of Dr. Michelle Dion, the Georgia Tech @ Tec de Monterrey program began in Mexico. We have also enrolled 60 of our students in Georgia Tech's International Plan. The International Plan allows students to enrich their studies with overseas work experience.

Several undergraduate and graduate students were honored with awards and fellowships this year, including two Presidential Management Fellowships and a Fulbright Fellowship.

Our faculty had a banner year for research and publication, including three books, numerous articles and a record level of sponsored research. I encourage you to read about one such project that considers the role of *Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for Reconciliation and Development* in post-conflict societies. Dr. Michael Best heads the project with funding from the MacArthur, Soros and Microsoft foundations. We currently have two students working in Liberia as part of this "action research" project.

There are some personnel changes and announcements inside the newsletter. We will miss Professors John Endicott and Sylvia Maier, but we wish them continued success in their new assignments.

As always, our faculty, students and alumni continue to make a difference in the fields of policy, law, business, education, communications and the non-profit sector. Please take a few minutes to read about some of our accomplishments.

— William J. Long

New doctoral initiative slated for approval by GA Board of Regents

Ph.D. in International Affairs, Science and Technology

Georgia and the nation need a doctoral program that offers advanced studies in both technological dimensions of international problems and the international context of scientific and technological innovation.

The proposed Ph.D. pro-

gram will provide an unparalleled opportunity for students with a background in politics or in science and technology to deepen their understanding of international affairs. As Senator Nunn noted, it is vital that we educate future generations of leaders for the chal-

lenges at the intersection of science, technology and international affairs.

Our doctor of philosophy program will make a vital contribution to Georgia Tech's mission to become a global university in a technologically driven world.

APSIA Membership Granted

The membership of APSIA comprises 30 top international affairs graduate schools in the U.S., Asia and Europe that lead the way in improving professional education and the overall understanding of global prosperity, peace and security.

Students at APSIA schools

have strong academic backgrounds and most have studied, worked or traveled overseas. APSIA masters programs are taught by noted scholars in their field.

An APSIA education opens the door for careers in public service, private business and not-for-profit organiza-

tions worldwide.

With membership in APSIA, The Nunn School further strengthens its professional graduate degree and enhances its recruiting, internship and placement opportunities. Contact Dr. Brian Woodall for more information.

Spotlight on Liberia: The Role of Information Technology

In the wake of a 14-year civil war, immediate survival may focus on basic needs but the future requires a community, a country, to rebuild and to grow. Liberia has been stripped of its technological infrastructure and restoration requires the return of skilled labor and technological ingenuity — enter Georgia Tech.

At our Liberian Development seminar in September 2006, Liberian President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf addressed Georgia Tech President Dr. Clough directly, "...you know that Georgia Tech is one of the world's preeminent science and technology universities and

Atlanta is a city that I have personal connections to and a fondness for. So I am delighted to acknowledge an emerging set of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) collaborations between Georgia Tech and Liberia...But above all, my country needs the human and intellectual capacity to turn our dreams into reality. We ask Georgia Tech to work with us and train and develop Liberian IT professionals."

Dr. Michael Best is doing just that. For nearly two years, Dr. Best has been a trusted advisor and analyst within Liberia's ICT sector. Tech graduate students have

worked with local experts in Liberia to develop and implement ICT strategies for the country's economic development. Students provide both technical assistance and policy advice.

Programs associated with these efforts include a computer center at Monrovia's Center for Empowerment of Women and Children and a computer facility and training center at Liberia's largest health center, the John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital. Recently, The Nunn School assumed the primary role in designing and maintaining the website for Liberia's Truth and Reconciliation Commission.



President Sirleaf addresses participants at the Liberian Development seminar on September 13, 2006

Dr. Endicott Named President of Woosong University

Dr. John Endicott accepted a position as the next president of South Korea's Woosong University. Dr. Endicott founded and served as director of the Center for International Strategy, Technology and Policy for the past 18 years at Georgia Tech. Over this time, he educated and

mentored countless students and has been a valued member of The Nunn School faculty.

When he assumes his new role on August 20th, Dr. Endicott will be the first American president of a prominent private university

in South Korea. Woosong has approximately 7,000 students enrolled in its graduate and undergraduate programs.

We wish all the best to Dr. Endicott as he begins another chapter in his illustrious career.

New Study Abroad Program in Mexico

The Georgia Tech @ Tec de Monterrey program was conceived and designed by Dr. Michelle Dion, Assistant Professor. A specialist in Latin America, social politics and comparative politics, Dr. Dion has lived and worked in Mexico and is completing a book on the history of social policy since the Mexican Revolution.

This program integrates participants into campus life at Tec de Monterrey to complete an organized program of study but also provides students with an opportunity to take additional courses from a variety of disciplines offered at Tec.

Students are asked to focus not only on their studies, but also to interact with

other students on campus and explore the community. Details about this program are available at www.mexico.gatech.edu.



International Plan Update — Overseas Opportunities

The Georgia Tech International Plan (IP) was launched in 2005 as a challenging academic program to develop global competence within the context of a student's major. The plan requires a minimum two terms abroad (26 weeks) which can be met with a combination of work and study abroad programs. This past school year the IP enrolled 262 students, 60 from The Nunn School.



arrangement with Sogang University in Korea. Students can take their coursework in English and apply for the Study and Work Experience Program (SWES). The SWES is a competitive program that offers students the opportunity

to complete 4 months of study at Sogang and a 2 month internship in Korea. Recipients also receive a \$2,000 cash scholarship

and free enrollment in a Korean language class. Look for opportunities at Ritsumeikan University in Japan and Remnin University in China soon.

The work abroad dimension of the IP is coordinated by Tech's Division of Professional Practice and is designed to complement a student's formal education with paid practical work experience. International opportunities are available during the summer, fall and spring semesters. For more information on the International Plan, contact Stephanie Jackson.

As part of the IP, Georgia Tech has a new exchange

262 Georgia Tech students participated in the International Plan during the 2006-2007 school year

Faculty Updates

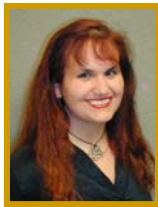
Visiting Faculty



Lyn Graybill (Ph.D. University of Virginia) has offered courses at Tech in ethics, international affairs and African politics for the past two years. This fall, she joins our faculty as a Visiting Associate Professor. Dr. Graybill has written two books on South Africa: Religion and Resistance Policies in South Africa and Truth and Reconciliation in South Africa: Miracle or Model? Her current research focuses on restorative justice models in Africa.



Taehyun Kim (Ph.D. Ohio State University) will teach Asian Security Issues and International Relations this coming year as a Visiting Professor. His research focus is on foreign policy and security with a regional focus on Korea. Dr. Kim is on leave from Chung-Ang University where he is a professor in the graduate school of international affairs. Dr. Kim is also a Research Associate of The Mershon Center for International Security Studies at Ohio State University.



Margaret Kosal (Ph.D. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) joins the school as a Visiting Assistant Professor and will teach Emerging Technologies and Security this fall. Her research focus is in emerging and dual-use technologies, deterrence theory and the public's role in international treaties. Dr. Kosal comes to us from the Office of the Secretary of Defense. She has published and lectured widely on the intersection of science and international security.



Barbara Deutsch Lynch (Ph.D. Cornell University) comes to the school as a Visiting Associate Professor with a research focus on Latin American societies, economic development, urbanization, natural resource utilization and global environmental policy. Dr. Lynch recently published a volume, Beyond Sun and Sand, on Caribbean environmentalism with political scientist Sherrie Bayer. Dr. Lynch is currently researching mega projects such as dams, ports, mines and pipelines and their impact on the Americas.

Moving On



After her arrival in the fall of 2001, you rarely saw **Dr. Sylvia Maier** (Ph.D. University of Southern California) walking on campus without a group of students eagerly engaged in conversation with her. She is passionate about teaching and research focused on international law, human rights, the politics of immigration in Europe, patterns of discrimination against minorities, nationalism and ethnic conflict and legal pluralism. Dr. Maier will join the faculty of the Center for European and Mediterranean Studies at New York University this fall. Our best wishes go with her in this new phase of her career.



For the last three years, **Dr. Beth Huffman** (Ph.D. Emory) has offered students a variety of courses including empirical research methods, comparative politics, international political economy and western European politics. This summer her family relocated to California. Dr. Huffman has been a much sought after instructor and her presence will be missed.

Faculty Books

Dr. Dan Breznitz, Innovation and the State: Political Choice and Strategies for Growth in Israel, Taiwan and Ireland.

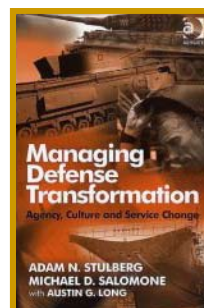
This new work provides comparative insight into the growth of technology industries and the remarkable post-war emergence of Israel, Taiwan and Ireland during the 1990s by analyzing different business models and the influence of the state in nurturing advancements in Information Technologies (IT). Dr. Breznitz offers detailed research and conclusions on how to nurture the growth of IT industries, promote industrial development, foster relationships with foreign firms and investors and globalized research and development. Both the Kauffman Foundation and the Brookings Institution gave favorable reviews of this important work.



Dr. Breznitz's new book is the focus of a roundtable discussion at the upcoming American Political Science Association (APSA) meeting this September in Chicago. The roundtable panel includes chair Peter Gourevitch from University of California-San Diego and participants Richard Doner of Emory University, John Zysman of University of California-Berkeley, Peter Cowhey of University of California-San Diego and Layna Mosley of University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

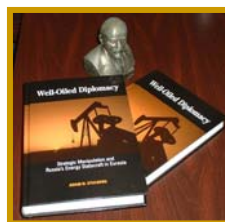
Dr. Adam Stulberg & Dr. Michael Salomone, Managing Defense Transformations: Agency, Culture and Service Change.

This book analyzes why some military organizations readily reinvent themselves while others become sidetracked or subverted by change. The authors studied some classic cases — U.S. Naval aviation during the interwar period, German and British armor development during this same period and the U.S. Army's counter-insurgency experience during the Vietnam War. Showing how managers and reform strategies play a vital role in military innovation, this book is a must read for students of military affairs, scholars interested in organizational theory and those generally interested in military and security studies.



Dr. Adam N. Stulberg, Well-Oiled Diplomacy: Strategic Manipulation and Russia's Energy Statecraft in Eurasia.

Dr. Stulberg examines Russia's energy policy with rival Eurasian suppliers from 1992 to 2002. His research provides a window into understanding the relationship between national security and globalization. According to Doug Blum of Providence College, "This superb new study goes beyond explanations of statecraft that rely exclusively on market position, domestic institutional structure, and/or coercive manipulation of hard power...it strengthens our knowledge of the relationship between domestic structure and international politics. Scholars will be deeply indebted to Stulberg for all of these reasons."

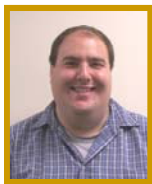


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Bookshelf**

Teaching Excellence Award

Dr. Kirk Bowman has been selected for one of the 2007 Georgia Regents' Teaching Excellence Awards, a faculty award for research universities. This award was based on Dr. Bowman's portfolio, innovative classroom environment and critical analysis skills imparted to his students. He will be honored at a ceremony in Atlanta on March 29, 2008.

New Staff



Vince Pedicino (BS INTA '99, MS INTA '07) has joined the staff as Program Coordinator in support of academic programs. A familiar face at Georgia Tech, Vince was actively involved in student affairs while he pursued his BS and MS in International Affairs. He previously worked with Georgia Tech's Department of Housing.



Ben Powell, Accountant (Valdosta State, BBA Finance '01), began his position with The Nunn School in September 2006. He previously worked with Southern Polytechnic State University as the Assistant Director of Budget, Grants and Procurement and with the University System of Georgia's Board of Regents as an Internal Auditor.



Cristina (DeMiguel) Williams (BS INTA '92) comes on board as our new Communications Officer. She recently published her debut novel under her given name Cristina Graciela. *My Café Cubano* is the story of her mother's family under Fidel Castro's regime in the early 1960s. Told from the perspective of their teenage daughter, the story offers a unique insight into the impact of communist dictatorship on the family's successful coffee business and the difficult choices that led them to embark on a new way of life. Available at Amazon.

Student Awards, Spring 2007

Undergraduate:

SCUSA Delegates (Fall 2006) (Student Conference on U.S. Affairs)	Nicole Bradshaw & Halley Espy
Michael J. Williams Minority Student Award	Donna Alexandra Thomas
Olympic Envoy Program Legacy Award	Travis Mitchell & Summar Shoaib
Center for the Study of the Presidency Fellowship	Clayton Skinner

Graduate:

Outstanding Graduate Student Award	Michael Murphree
Presidential Management Fellowship	Phil Autry & Rachael Brennaman

Awards Committee:

Edward Keene (Chair), Kirk Bowman and Molly Cochran with special thanks to Lisa Jones

Save the Date:

**Homecoming
Cookout scheduled
for Saturday,
October 20th**

(more information to follow)

Presidential Management Fellows for 2007

Georgia Tech was honored to have two Presidential Management Fellows selected in 2007 — Phil Autry and Rachael Brennaman.

Phil will be working with the State Department's Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Office of Analysis for Terrorism, Narcotics and Crime. This analyst position focuses on terrorism, narcotics and crime issues in the East Asia/Pacific region.

Rachael will work as an In-

ternational Trade Specialist with the International Trade Administration (ITA) for the Department of Commerce in DC. Her appointment will

"The purpose of the Program is to attract to the Federal service outstanding men and women from a variety of academic disciplines and career paths who have a clear interest in, and commitment to, excellence in the leadership and management of public policies and programs."

— President George W. Bush

include rotational assignments in the ITA line units: U.S. Commercial Service, Manufacturing and Services, Market Access and Compliance and Import Administration.

Rachael stated, "I feel strongly that I would not be in the position I am today if I had attended any other graduate program. The sup-

port I received from my academic advisors, professors, fellow graduate students and key departmental staff members gave me the opportunity to develop personally, intellectually and professionally over my two years in the program. I am eternally grateful to have had such an opportunity."

Spotlight on Students

Nabil Wilf (BS Biology & INTA '06) received a Fulbright language grant to study Arabic in Syria and spent the spring in Kuwait on a collaborative scholastic evaluation of adolescent perceptions of women's rights. His varied interests have led him to study language, molecular biology, religion and international affairs. In the fall of 2007, he will continue his studies at Cambridge University as a doctoral candidate in biochemistry. Nabil plans to utilize his skills to improve and develop the biotech sector in the Middle East.

Rizwan Ladha graduated with the IAML degree in May 2007. He is working for Infosys Technologies as a software engineer. According to the Infosys recruiter, Julia Nelson, this is the first time Infosys has hired an International Affairs student from Georgia Tech. Rizwan is training overseas in India for six months and then will be based in a U.S. city as a technology consultant. To read more about his travels visit, www.rizwaninthebharat.blogspot.com.

Thomas Christian, a junior working on a dual degree in EAS and INTA, was awarded \$5,000 through the National Consortium from MASINT Research NCMR Scholars Program. MASINT, or Measures and Signatures Intelligence, is technically derived intelligence that measures, detects, locates, tracks and identifies the specific characteristics of fixed and dynamic targets. Thomas qualified for this award through the agency that employs him as an intern.

Thomas Earnest (BS INTA '07) will be studying Arabic in Cairo, Egypt from June to December of 2007. He was awarded the Critical Language Scholarship funded by the U.S. State Department. Thomas has a travel blog at <http://web.mac.com/thomasdearnest/iWeb/Egypt/Home.html>.

Michael Murphree (MS INTA '07) is living and working in China. His work relates to Dr. Breznitz's research on Chinese innovation policy.

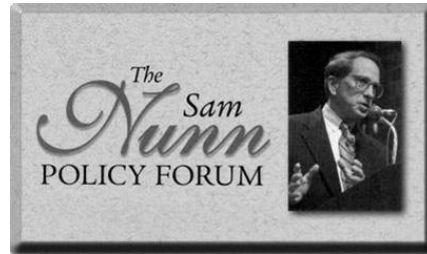
Save the Date:

*End of year
reception honoring
graduating students
and award
recipients scheduled
for late Spring 2008*

Save the Date:

*Ivan Allen College Founder's
Day & Sam Nunn/Bank of
America Policy Forum*

Monday, March 31, 2008



The Sam Nunn/Bank of America Policy Forum is a biennial policy meeting that brings together noted academic and private-sector experts on international affairs, public policy and technology to address issues of immediate and future importance to the nation. The topic for the upcoming forum is "Strengthening the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Regime."

We're on the Web!

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www.inta.gatech.edu](http://www.inta.gatech.edu)

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