

**POLITICAL SCIENCE AND LAW ANNUAL REPORT- 2008--09**

**I. Staffing**

Hired Brian Smith, a specialist in political theory and American political thought.

**II. Curriculum Development:**

The Jurisprudence major has experienced enormous growth, far beyond that originally projected. We had projected 100 students by the 4th year and we have 87 in the 2nd year. We have had to go to 3 sections of Senior Seminar.

All of our Jurisprudence majors presented posters or talks at the CHSS/CSAM Annual Symposium on April 30, 2009.

Property concentration in the MA in Law and Governance went into operation officially in September 2008

Department event April 15, 2009. Law Admissions Day co-sponsored with Rutgers University, October 8, 2008.

-- Baldwin-LeClair created certificate in Conflict Management in the Workplace altered the Intellectual Property concentration; altered "dispute resolution" concentration to become "Conflict Management and Peace Studies" ; Incorporated Political Science courses previously in existence into the Law and Governance program.

**III. Other Department/Program Achievements and Endeavors:**

New Jersey Law Admissions Day cosponsored with Rutgers University, October 2008; involved hundreds of students and 40 participating law schools and presenters.

Political Science and Law Spring Department Reception April 15 2009, honoring graduate majors and recipients of departmental scholarships.)

Awarding of second Portin scholarship.

Second student accepted in New York Law School through guaranteed Admission Articulation Agreement.

#### **IV. Faculty Achievements:**

##### **TAYLER**

**Schusterman Center for Israel Studies. Fellowship Summer 2008 at Brandeis University and in Israel.**

**Marilyn Tayler completed her Spring 2009 sabbatical project of a chapter modeling interdisciplinary methodology for law-related topics. The chapter was accepted by the editors for a forthcoming book features models of interdisciplinary research.**

**Presenter and Moderator, Literature and Law Conference, April 2008.**

##### **OPOKU AGYEMAN**

**Continue to serve as Associate Editor for Global Studies Journal.**

**By invitation, presented a public lecture at Seton Hall University on "Africana Politics and Society in the Obama Era," April 27, 2009.**

**3. My 42-page study, "Power, Powerlessness, and Globalization," is under review for publication in International Political Science Review.**

##### **BALDWIN-LECLAIR**

**Selected for Distinguished Teacher Award Spring of 2009**

**Presentation: "Downloading the World: The effect of Western Technology Human Rights", World Cultures Day, Montclair State University, April 3, 2009**

##### **BATKAY**

**I am an active member of the Rotary Club of the Caldwells and, as such, put in several hours a week volunteering at the Willing Hearts consignment shop in Caldwell, which raises huge amounts of money for Rotary. In addition, I continue to be active in my synagogue, periodically leading parts of the Saturday morning service.**

**Although the actual activity won't begin until fall, I was accepted into the Teacher Mentoring Program for 2009-2010 initiated by Ken Bain. I will be working with Tony Spanakos, also accepted into the program, to develop and share pedagogical strategies as well as to engage in curriculum innovation initiatives. We will meet with a group of junior**

and senior MSU colleagues once a month for a working dinner, and at some point will go on a weekend retreat to examine issues that have been raised in a more intensive framework.

I chaired the Departmental Search Committee during 2008-2009, which successfully conducted a search for a political theorist to replace the retired George Menake in the political theory tenure-track line.

Continued active participation in the ritual life of Congregation Shomrei Emunah in Montclair, leading part or most of the Sabbath morning service and Sunday morning service a couple of times a month.

## **SPANAKOS**

### **A. Scholarship**

“New Wine, Old Bottles, Flamboyant Sommelier: Chávez, Citizenship, and Populism  
New Political Science, */New Political Science/* Dec 2008. 30 (4) 521.//

“/Que regime é este?/ The Left in Brazil, Chile, and Venezuela,” */Revista Análise Econômica-UFRGS/*, 26 (50) September 2008.

Why ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE HAS DIFFERED between BRAZIL AND CHINA? A Comparative Analysis of Brazilian and Chinese Macro-Economic policy

Revista Venezolana de Análisis de Coyuntura/IIES-UCV. Caracas/Venezuela, vol.XV, n°1, enero-junio/2009

### **B. Grants/Contracts/Awards**

Fulbright Scholarship 2008 Venezuela  
Visiting Fellow, East Asia Institute May-Aug 2009

## **BILL BERLIN**

Attended Democratic National Convention as a journalist; wrote two articles for Montclair Times.

Produced and hosted roughly 16 programs for Carpe Diem

Produced healthcare series for St. Barnabas Health-Care System

**Completed intensive course in civil mediation, April 2009**

**Senior Writer, Producer, Caucus New Jersey -- -- more than 40 programs**

**Member of the Board, Scott Hazelcorn Children's Foundation -- -- arranged \$25,000 grant to Mothers-Children Project (for mothers and children who lost a loved one in 9/11).**

**Member of the Board, Monarch Associates (devoted to creating more housing opportunities for low income individuals and families)**

**Member of the Board, Caucus Educational Corporation**

### **BRIGID CALLAHAN HARRISON**

**Professor, Political Science and Law  
Annual report, AY 2008-2009**

#### **Publications:**

- \* *A More Perfect Union* (lead author, with Jean Harris). New York: McGraw-Hill, January, 2010
- \* *Power and Society: An Introduction to the Social Sciences 12e.* Belmont, Ca.: Cengage, forthcoming, December, 2009.
- \* *American Democracy Now* (lead author, with Jean Wahl Harris, and Susan J. Tolchin) New York: McGraw-Hill, 2009. Also available in Alternate edition, and Texas edition.

\* denotes peer-reviewed publication.

#### **Conference Presentations and Participation:**

**Section Chair: Congress, Presidency, and the Courts, at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 18-20, 2009, Philadelphia, Pa.**

**Short Course Organizer. "Addressing Challenges in Teaching Traditional, Hybrid, and OnLine American Government Courses," to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2-6, 2009, Toronto, Canada.**

**Panel Organizer and Chair. "Challenges and Strategies in Teaching Critical Thinking in American Government," to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2-6, 2009, Toronto, Canada.**

**Roundtable Participant, "How To Get Your Book Published: A Conversation with the Publishers," to be presented at the annual**

meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2-4, 2009, Chicago, Il.

Moderator, “Public Opinion in New Jersey: What the Press Isn’t Reporting,” at the annual meeting of the New Jersey Political Science Association, February 27, 2009, New Brunswick, NJ.

Section Chair, Congress, Presidency, and the Courts for the annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 13-15, 2008, Boston, Ma.

Discussant, “Congressional Politics,” at the annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 13-15, 2008, Boston, Ma.

Panel Chair, “Congress and the Presidency,” at the annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 13-15, 2008, Boston, Ma.

Featured panelist, “Assessing the 2008 Presidential Election: Implications for New Jersey,” Kean University, November 12, 2008.

Discussant, “Techniques and Technologies for New Methods, New Students, New Outcomes,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 27-31, 2008, Boston, Ma.

#### **Awards and Honors:**

Key Note Speaker. The Chemistry Council of New Jersey, July 20, 2009.  
Atlantic County Women’s Hall of Fame Inductee. March 26, 2009.

#### **University Service (Selected):**

Faculty Advisor, The Washington Center for Internships, 2005-  
Member, Department Personnel Action Committee, 2000-

#### **Manuscript Reviewer:**

PS: Political Science and Politics  
American Politics Research.  
Journal of Political Science Education.

#### **Service to the Discipline:**

- President-Elect National Women’s Caucus for Political Science.
- President, Midwestern Women’s Caucus for Political Science 2008-2009.
- Award Committee Chair, McGraw-Hill Annual Award for Civic Engagement, 2006-2009.
- Section Chair, Northeastern Political Science Association.
- Member, American Political Science Association; Section memberships: Political Science Education, Women and Politics, Legislative Politics, Presidency Research, Elections and Electoral Behavior, Political Organizations and Parties.

- **Member, APSA MediaConnect. Academic expert on: New Jersey state and local politics and government, New Jersey congressional campaigns, women and politics, political behavior.**

### Community/Media Outreach

#### *Live Televised Political Analysis and Commentary:*

**Primary Election Night Coverage**, New Jersey Gubernatorial and Assembly Primary Elections, June 2, 2009, 8-11:30 p.m. Live commentary with Jim Hooker.

**Governor Corzine's Budget Address** - Live coverage from the Statehouse with Michael Aaron, March 10, 2009

**General Election Night Coverage**, Presidential, US Senate and House Elections, Nov. 4, 2008, 8-11:30 p.m. Live commentary with Kent Manahan.

#### **Monday, June 1, 2009**

National Public Radio

The New Jersey Gubernatorial Primary

### WISHNICK

#### **Information for Annual Report**

#### Service to the University

**I gave a lecture on "Globalization and the Environment in China" for Humanities in the Schools Day, organized by the Institute for the Humanities on April 3, 2008. More than 50 high school students and teachers attended my presentation.**

#### Service to the College

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#### Awards

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**I received a Global Education Center grant to attend a conference on the Cold War and Sino-Soviet Relations at East China Normal University in Shanghai.**

## Publications

**“Competition and Cooperative Practices in Sino-Japanese Energy and Environmental Relations: Towards an Energy Security ‘Risk Community’?”** forthcoming Pacific Review August 2009.

**“Of Milk and Spacemen: The Paradox of Chinese Power in an Era of Risk, The Brown Journal of World Affairs, Vol. XV, Issue II, Spring/Summer 2009.**

**Russia, China, and the U.S. in Central Asia: Competition and Cooperation in the Shadow of the Georgian Crisis, Strategic Studies Institute, U.S. Army War College, February 2009.**

**“The Securitisation of Chinese Migration to the Russian Far East: Rhetoric and Reality,”** in Melissa Curley and Siu-lun Wong, eds., *Security and Migration in Asia*, London: Routledge, 2008.

Also, I was invited to speak on **“Future Scenarios for Russia-China Relations”** at a conference on **Russia-China Relations** organized by State Department's Intelligence and Research Unit and the National Intelligence Council in Washington, D.C. on May 6, 2009.

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**SEGALL**

**Authored two mediation role-plays for *Instructor's Manual* for Barbara Nagle, Conflict and Resolution, second edition**

**Served on Selection Committee for Rapoport Legal Scholar Award**

**Invited to serve on Academic Advising Board for Jewish American Studies Program**