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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AWARDS AND PRIZES

A departmental committee selects award recipients. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Political Science Office, Oak Hall, Room 409, 486-2440.

Graduate Student Awards

Norman Kogan Fellowship: Given annually to a graduate student in political science who specializes in the study of Western European politics.

Fund for Legal Studies Fellowship: Given annually to a graduate student in Political Science who specializes in public law.

Governor Abraham Ribicoff Fellowship: Given annually to a graduate student in political science who specializes in the study of American politics. Preference is given to residents of Connecticut.

George F. Cole Dissertation Fellowship: Awarded to a graduate student in political science conducting dissertation research in public law. Preference given to a student studying the administration of criminal justice.

Michael Dunphy Award: Given annually to a graduate student with a strong interest in American government, society, history, or culture. The Political Science Department shares this award with History and Sociology.

Everett Ladd Fellowship in American Politics: Given annually to a graduate student with the highest scholastic standing who intends to pursue American Politics as a Ph.D. field.

J. Garry Clifford Graduate Fellowship Fund: Assist in the recruitment and retention of excellent graduate students and offer a recurrent source of graduate student support.

The Howard L. Reiter Memorial Award for Political Science Graduate Education: To support the University by providing fellowship support for graduate students enrolled full-time in the Political Science Department in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, who have demonstrated academic achievement and financial need.

Getulio P. Carvalho Endowment in Political Science: Financial support for full-time, academically outstanding graduate students interested in enhancing relations between Brazil and the United States; may include scholarship support and program-related research expenses.
GRADUATE COURSES

5010  STUDYING WAR CRITICALLY
CHRISTINE SYLVESTER
Th 1:30-4:00
Studying war critically through international relations and the humanities.

5010  PROSPECTUS WRITING SEMINAR
JANE GORDON
Tu 10:00-12:00
We will meet every other week for two hours with the aim of finishing the semester with dissertation proposals that are near defensible. We will do this by reading particularly strong examples of recently completed proposals, writing and sharing draft articulations of your intellectual project, preparing a literature review, and viable potential plan for your research. Mainly, the seminar will create (1) deadlines for the composition of portions of your proposal, (2) a committed group of readers who will offer you critical feedback, and (3) a community of fellow writers who can push and support each other through what should not be an alienating process of prospectus and dissertation writing. This is primarily a writing course though you will also be expected to read the work of your peers with care and creativity.

5105  POLITICAL THEORY
FREDERICK LEE
W 4:00-6:30
Historical and conceptual analysis of selected political ideas such as justice, liberty, rights, political obligation, or the state; including an examination of one or more major schools or bodies of political thought from ancient to contemporary times.

5240  RESEARCH SEMINAR IN COMPARATIVE POLITICAL ECONOMY
PRAKASH KASHWAN
Th 4:00-6:30

5406  SPECIAL TOPICS IN AMERICAN POLITICS
MICHAEL MORELL
M 1:30-4
Advanced study of selected topics. Intensive examination of research literature dealing with particular aspects of American politics.

5505  SEMINAR IN PUBLIC LAW
KRISTEN KELLY
Tu 1:30-4:00

5605  SEMINAR IN QUANTITATIVE METHODS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
THOMAS HAYES
M 4:00-6:30
Introduction to the data analysis techniques most often used by political scientists. Requires no previous background in statistics.