

## Welcome to the November 2006 Edition of the Christians in Political Science Newsletter

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### Organizational News

#### Professional Update

**Job Announcements - 3 repeated and 2 new - UVA-Wise and Miami (OH).**

**Misc. Announcements: Fellowship Availability**

#### Organizational News

Reminder from President Amy Black: Remember the Biennial Christians in Political Science conference which will take place at Wheaton College from June 7 - 10, 2007. Our hope is that the conference will appeal to members at every stage of their career and in all of the subdisciplines. If you have suggestions for things to include in this year's conference, please send me an e-mail at [amy.e.black@wheaton.edu](mailto:amy.e.black@wheaton.edu).

#### Conferences/Calls for Papers

None This Month

#### Professional Update

Jonathan Chaplin, former Associate Professor of Political Theory at the Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto, has taken up the post of Director of the Kirby Laing Institute for Christian Ethics based at Tyndale House in Cambridge UK. Email: [jc538@cam.ac.uk](mailto:jc538@cam.ac.uk)

#### Publication Announcements

James V. Schall, S.J. has another new book, "The Sum Total of Human Happiness" out from St. Augustine's Press.

#### Job Announcements - Repeated

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY, ALLENDALE, MICHIGAN. The Department of Political Science invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of assistant professor, to begin August 2007. Applications are welcome from candidates with a research specialization in American politics, preferably with expertise in any of the following American politics subfields: race, ethnicity, gender, methodology, public opinion, Congress, bureaucracy, political economy, state politics, and/or public policy. The successful candidate will teach the introductory American Politics and Government course and upper level courses in his or her area of specialization. Applicants must demonstrate potential for excellence in teaching and scholarship, have an active research agenda, and a commitment to undergraduate education; preference for candidates with experience interacting with diverse populations or students of color. A Ph.D. is required for appointment as Assistant Professor. Salary is competitive and commensurate with skills and experience. Grand Valley State University is a thriving 22,000 student comprehensive university located in the Grand Rapids metropolitan area. The Department of Political Science has fifteen full-time faculty members, offers B.S. and B.A. degrees in political science, and administers an interdisciplinary B.A. degree in international relations. Interested applicants should send a cover letter explaining their interest in and qualifications for the position, curriculum vitae, graduate transcripts, a sample of written work in their central area of research, teaching evaluations (if available), and three letters of recommendation to: American Politics Search Committee, Department of Political Science, 1121 AuSable Hall, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI 49401. Applications must be postmarked by October 15, 2006. Grand Valley State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity institution. Women and members of minority and underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply.

TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN MARCOS, TEXAS. TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in International Relations/International Security Policy, at the Assistant Professor level (Job Posting #2007-14). Candidate must be qualified to teach in political science programs at both the undergraduate and graduate Masters level. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications. Candidates must have earned a doctorate in Political Science or Government by 31 July 2007, have a record of teaching experience in higher education, and a record of academic training in the field of international security. Academic training in the politics and government of East, South or Southeast Asia, or of Africa, or of Europe is preferred, together with a demonstrated ability in scholarly research in the required and/or preferred sub-disciplines, ability to communicate with students in the classroom, and effective interpersonal skills. Review of applications will begin November 1, 2006. All applications will be held in strict confidence and will be accepted until the position is filled, but applicants are strongly encouraged to submit materials before the review of applicants begins. Applicants may submit application materials electronically, using Microsoft Word doc, or rtf, or pdf files. Letters of application addressing required and preferred qualifications, a curriculum vitae, all college transcripts, samples of scholarly work (presentations and/or publications), and three letters of recommendation should be sent to: Dr. Robert F. Gorman, International Security Search Committee Chair—Job Posting #2007-14, Department of Political Science, Texas State

University-San Marcos, 601 University Drive, San Marcos, TX 78666-4616. Phone: 512-245-2143. Fax: 512.245.7815. E-mail: [rg06@txstate.edu](mailto:rg06@txstate.edu).

GORDON COLLEGE, WENHAM, MASSACHUSETTS. The Department of Political Studies is seeking an Assistant or Associate Professor. Successful candidates must be committed to excellence in the integration of Christian faith and the highest standards of teaching. Preference is given to candidates with a doctorate completed by the time of appointment; however, ABD will be considered. This position is a tenure-track position to begin August 2007. The department is seeking candidates for a position in International Relations. A secondary concentration in politics of the Middle East is desirable. Successful candidates would be expected to teach, on occasion, an interdisciplinary freshman level seminar, an introductory politics course, and to help team-teach the department's senior seminar. The faculty member will participate in a four-person department offering the BA Degree, with majors in Political Studies and International Affairs (the latter in cooperation with the Economics Department), preparing students for graduate and professional positions. Members teach the equivalent of three courses per semester, and participate in student advising, scholarly research, professional activities and committee assignments. Candidates must have a mature Christian faith that serves as a springboard for their academic pursuits; be competent teachers and well-trained scholars; contribute to the diversity of talents, insights and perspectives within a Christian academic community; and, be committed to the objectives of a Christian liberal arts education. Gordon College in Wenham, Massachusetts, is a member of the elite Annapolis Group, a consortium of the nation's leading liberal arts institutions and among the premiere Christian liberal arts colleges in the country. Gordon offers excellent academics, a strong sense of community and an atmosphere of open intellectual inquiry and personal responsibility—all within the framework of Christian faith. Gordon College is located in a classic New England town on Boston's North Shore. Application review will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Please submit letter of application, vita, sample of academic writing, names of three references and a two-page statement of educational philosophy. Applications can be sent to Kina Mallard, Academic Dean, 255 Grapevine Road, Wenham, MA 01984. For more information, please visit our web page at [www.gordon.edu](http://www.gordon.edu).

#### **Job Announcements - New**

MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO. American Politics. The Department of Political Science seeks a colleague in the area of American politics. The position is tenure-eligible and to be appointed at the rank of Assistant Professor. We seek a candidate who can contribute to our undergraduate and graduate course offerings in parties and elections, public opinion and political behavior, and other topics according to the candidate's interests, as well as an introductory course in American politics or contemporary political issues. Our new colleague will also be expected to develop a record of excellence in undergraduate and graduate teaching, relevant research leading to a record of published scholarship, and institutional and professional service. We seek a teacher-scholar who can actively contribute to all aspects of our departmental mission. Salary is competitive and faculty have access to start-up and research funds. Miami University is a public university located 30 miles NW of Cincinnati, Ohio and has an enrollment of 18,000 students. The Department of Political Science is composed of 27 members and has a record of high-quality teaching, active research and professional involvement, and strong institutional and community service. We offer three undergraduate majors (Political Science, Diplomacy and Foreign Affairs, and Public Administration) and the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. The position begins in August 2007. Candidates must submit a letter of application, *curriculum vitae* with email contact information, three letters of recommendation, graduate transcripts, samples of scholarship in the candidate's area of primary research, and evidence of teaching accomplishment. A Ph.D. is required for appointment as an Assistant Professor; an ABD candidate will be appointed as Instructor and must complete the PhD by the end of the first semester. Miami University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and especially welcomes applications from women and minority candidates. For information regarding campus crime and safety, visit [www.muohio.edu/righttoknow](http://www.muohio.edu/righttoknow). Questions and applications should be directed to Professor Ryan J. Barilleaux, Chair, Department of Political Science, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056. Phone: 513-529-2000. Email: [barillrj@muohio.edu](mailto:barillrj@muohio.edu). The committee will begin considering applications on October 16, 2006.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA: WISE, WISE, VA. Political Science, Tenure track position at Assistant or Associate rank. Salary competitive. Beginning Fall, 2007, Ph.D. preferred. To teach courses in American, Comparative, and International Politics, 12 hours (four courses) per semester. UVa-Wise is a small, liberal arts college in the mountains of Southwest Virginia. Political Science is part of a Social Science Department, chaired by Garrett W. Sheldon. Send application letter, vitae, 3 letters of recommendation, and original graduate transcripts to: Political Science Search, Human Resources, The University of Virginia's College at Wise, 1 College Avenue, Wise, VA 24293. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. The University of Virginia's College at Wise is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer committed to excellence through diversity.

**Misc. Announcements: Fellowships for early-career scholars.**

**PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION (CSR)** announces the availability of a small number of **one-year fellowships** for pre-tenure scholars and recent Ph.D. graduates. Fellowships will be offered in the areas of **Christian Thought and Practice** (focusing attention on the historical and contemporary religious life of North American Christians, congregations, or clergy) and **Public Theology** (emphasis on contemporary issues bridging theology and the social sciences; requires some training in theology or equivalent knowledge). Fellows will conduct own research, attend a weekly interdisciplinary workshop, and participate in Center-sponsored events. Applicants' doctorates may be in any relevant field. Princeton University PhDs not eligible. For application requirements, go to [http://www.princeton.edu/~csrelig/opportunities/postdoc\\_ops.html](http://www.princeton.edu/~csrelig/opportunities/postdoc_ops.html); or contact CSR, 5 Ivy Lane, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08540-7218; 609/258-5545; [csrelig@princeton.edu](mailto:csrelig@princeton.edu). Princeton University is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. **Applications due 1/05/07**. For information about applying to Princeton, please link to <http://web.princeton.edu/sites/dof/ApplicantsInfo.htm>

**Prayer Requests**

None This Month

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