

Welcome to the February 2007 Edition of the Christians in Political Science Newsletter

HIGHLIGHTS

Organizational News: Biennial conference, June 7 - 10, 2007. Details below.

How about CPS at ISA!?!?!?

Job Announcements - 2 repeated, 2 new (King's College, Point Loma Nazarene)

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Save the dates!

Program Chair Stephen M. King (Patrick Henry College) and Conference Chair Amy Black (Wheaton College) invite you to join us for the 6th Biennial Christians in Political Science Conference hosted at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois from June 7-10, 2007. In response to your feedback, the 2007 conference will include a blend of traditional and new formats. Highlights include:

- paper panels for you to present ongoing work in any subfield of political science
- “meet the author” sessions to interact with authors and discuss their recent work
- themed workshops to share ideas about teaching, research, the job market, and the tenure track
- events targeted to help graduate students entering the profession
- a plenary session retrospective on “How 'The Gang of Four's' Thinking about Religion and American Politics has Changed over Time
- a plenary session with editors from Christian publishers
- focused time for prayer, praise, and worship and fellowship
- an opportunity to visit downtown Chicago and enjoy this beautiful city

We are looking forward to your attendance and participation at what we expect to be the best CPS conference yet! (CPS membership form is attached)

ISA Gathering?

Dear CPS Members,

For a number of years there has been discussion of having a CPS get together at the International Studies Association (ISA) conference for CPS members like what happens at the APSA annual meeting. As a newly elected officer of CPS who attends ISA almost every year I am going to take the initiative and suggest that we have an informal get-together at ISA in Chicago this year. I was thinking that those who are interested in gathering for dinner and fellowship do so on the evening of Thursday March 1st. We can meet at 6:30 PM in the lobby of the main conference hotel (the Hilton) in front of the reception desk. We can then decide where to go (I will scout out a few places or take recommendations). If you are interested in joining us drop an email to me at kcooney@uu.edu so I can gauge interest. Blessings, Kevin Cooney, CPS Treasurer, Union University

Conferences/Calls for Papers

None this month

Professional Update

Newsletter editor/communications director Doug Koopman has a new but familiar address. It is: Department of Political Science, Calvin College, 1810 East Beltline Avenue, S.E. Grand Rapids, MI 49546-5951. e-mail dkoopman@calvin.edu, phone 616.526.6706.

Publication Announcements

Cooney, Kevin J. Japan's Foreign Policy Since 1945. New York: M.E. Sharpe, 2007. [ISBN: 978-0-7656-1650-0] The book is designed with the student, both graduate and undergraduate, in mind. It is also designed for the policy maker who is looking for a single source that covers both the background and the major FP issues facing Japan today. The book would also be an excellent addition to any course on Japanese politics or East Asian affairs as it introduces the history and background of all the major issues facing Japanese foreign policy today. It is designed to help make the novice conversant in Japanese foreign policy and to challenge those who are already conversant in Japanese Politics with the issues facing Japanese policy makers. The book covers past history, present constraints, and future options and

issues for Japanese foreign policy. The author welcomes comments, suggestions and criticisms <kcooney@uu.edu>. The text is available in both paperback and as a hardbound library edition. See more at: <http://www.mesharpe.com/mall/resultsanew.asp?Title=Japan%27s+Foreign+Policy+Since+1945> http://www.amazon.com/Japans-Foreign-Policy-Since-1945/dp/0765616505/ref=ed_oe_p/104-1577085-9723161

Job Announcements - New (2)

KING'S COLLEGE, NYC, NY. The King's College invites applicants for the position of assistant professor of politics in the College's interdisciplinary undergraduate Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE) Program. The position is available August 1, 2007. A Ph.D. in politics, political theory or political science is required.

This is a teaching-intensive position. All students at the College are required to take Introduction to Politics, American Political Thought and Practice, and Enlightenment and Liberal Democracy. Other politics classes required for the PPE major include Constitutional Law, Public Policy, Civil Rights, Statesmanship, and American Foreign Policy. The College emphasizes the classical tradition in politics, from Plato and Aristotle, through Cicero, and the American Founding. A candidate who could also teach American history would be at an advantage. The King's College also seeks faculty members (in every discipline) who pay serious critical attention to students' writing and who are capable of engaging the College's distinctive focus on the spoken word.

The King's College is a very small, highly selective, Christian college in the Empire State Building. The College is non-denominational but requires faculty members to sign a statement of faith. The College prepares students for careers in which they will help to shape strategic public and private institutions, and the College regards a grounding in politics as indispensable for this purpose. Broadly, the PPE curriculum emphasizes the power of (and connections among) free markets, democratic politics, and the pursuit of truth. Applicants should submit an enthusiastic and informed letter and c.v. to Ms. Jody Paul at [<mailto:jpaul@tkc.edu> jjpaul@tkc.edu]. We hope to fill this position by March 30.

POINT LOMA NAZARENE, SAN DIEGO, CA © The Department of History and Political Science is seeking candidates for a full-time, tenure-track teaching position in American foreign policy, American institutions, public policy, and international relations. Responsibilities will begin mid-August 2007. Academic rank will be based on degrees and experience. The compensation level will depend upon the education and experience of the appointee. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. The University especially encourages applications from women and minorities. www.pointloma.edu/AcademicAffairs/FacultySite/Faculty/PoliticaScience.htm

Information may be obtained by contacting the chair of the department, Dr. Rick Kennedy, rickkennedy@pointloma.edu, 619-849-2537, or the Dean of the College of Social Science and Professional Studies, Dr. Becky Havens, beckyhavens@pointloma.edu, 619-849-2293.

Job Announcements - Repeated (2)

REGENT UNIVERSITY, VIRGINIA BEACH, VA The Robertson School of Government (RSG) at Regent University invites applications for one open-in-rank, tenure-track position. Applicants should have a Ph.D. in political science and demonstrate both teaching competence and research potential in at least two of the following subfields: American politics, comparative government, international politics, political economy/economics, political theory, public administration, public law, and public policy. Regent University is located in Virginia Beach, Virginia on one of America's most beautiful campuses. RSG features an excellent salary and benefits package, a collegial environment, and an annual program at Oxford University. As a Christian institution, Regent University requires that faculty sign its statement of faith. Interested persons may submit a faculty application online at https://secure.regent.edu/admin/hr/new_faculty_application.cfm, and a letter of application, curricula vitae, transcripts, statements of faith, and the names of three references to: Charles W. Dunn, Dean, Robertson School of Government, Regent University, 1000 Regent University Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23464. For electronic submission in PDF and Microsoft Word formats, please send to Nathalie Jeter at nathjet@regent.edu. Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Regent University offers programs on both its Virginia Beach and Washington, DC campuses in addition to its distance

education programs. As a culturally diverse institution, Regent University welcomes applications without regard to race, color, age, national origin, or disability. For additional information about RSG and Regent University, please see <http://www.regent.edu/acad/schgov/> and <http://www.regent.edu>.

FURMAN UNIVERSITY, GREENVILLE, SC. Furman University seeks nominations and applications for the position of Assistant Dean for Study Away and International Education. Founded in 1826, Furman is a highly selective private liberal arts college on a beautiful, 750-acre campus outside of Greenville, South Carolina. The University has an enrollment of 2,625 undergraduate students and a growing international student population. The university has a strong tradition of offering high-quality travel-study programs staffed by Furman faculty. Approximately 50 percent of the students participate in one of 25 Furman-run or affiliated study away programs on six continents. The Assistant Dean is a newly created administrative position responsible for overseeing study away programs (i.e., academic programs that include a significant off-campus element) and directing international education. The Dean's responsibilities for study away programs will include, but not be limited to 1) working with academic departments to develop, market, and maintain high-quality study away programs; 2) participating on the faculty study away committee overseeing university study away policy; 3) overseeing, in conjunction with relative administrative departments, financial, housing, travel and enrollment aspects of study away; 4) negotiating affiliation agreements with non-Furman programs; 5) developing and maintaining international exchange programs; and 6) maintaining an information center for study away. Regarding international education, the Dean will be responsible, in cooperation with the Admissions Department, for recruiting, selecting, and ensuring the legal status of international students. He or she will also be responsible for creating and sustaining international faculty development programs, and promoting campus organizations and activities with an international focus. In addition, the Dean will supervise staff members in the Center for International Education. Academic deans at Furman are usually required to teach at least one course per academic year.

Furman seeks a candidate with the following qualifications: 1) an earned doctorate preferred (academic discipline open), 2) experience directing credit-bearing study away programs (preferably overseas), and 3) a demonstrable interest in international students. Strong candidates will possess management experience, understand the legal and logistical aspects of international travel, exhibit excellent oral and written communication skills, and will have experience managing budgets.

Send a letter of application, a resume, a one-page statement of your vision for study away in a liberal arts environment, and the names and contact information of three references to: Human Resources, Furman University, 3300 Poinsett Highway, Greenville, SC 29613 or email to humanresources@furman.edu. Deadline for application is February 23, 2007 AA/EOE

Misc. Announcements:

None this month

Prayer Requests

None This Month

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http://www.calvin.edu/henry/christians_in_political_science/index.htm