

Recent Book from Kurt Senske

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Kurt Senske recently published *The Calling: Live a Life of Significance*.

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New Article from Jungkun Seo

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Jungkun Seo's article (with Sean Theriault), "Moderate Caucuses in a Polarized US Congress," was published in *Journal of Legislative Studies* 18(2): 203-221.

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A. Ray Fieldwork in Delhi

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Ayesha Ray spent the summer in Delhi working on her paper, "Institutional Failure in India's Higher Defense Organization."

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Books by Faculty: Recent and Forthcoming

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Zoltan Barany: *The Soldier and the Changing State: Building Democratic Armies in Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Americas*

Jason Brownlee: *Democracy Prevention: The Politics of the U.S.-Egyptian Alliance*

Bruce Buchanan: *Presidential Power and Accountability: Toward A Presidential Accountability System*

Stephen Jessee: *Ideology and Spatial Voting in American Elections*

Rob Moser (with Ethan Scheiner): *Electoral Systems and Political Context: How the Effects of Rules Vary Across New and Established Democracies*

Ami Pedahzur: *The Triumph of Israel's Radical Right*

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Chausovsky Attends Con History Workshop

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Jonathan Chausovsky attended an Institute for Constitutional History workshop, held at Stanford Law School in Palo Alto, led by Sandy Levinson, July 8-13. The topic was "Assessing the U.S. Constitution: Twenty First Century Responses to Eighteenth-Century Assumptions."

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Recent Publications from Oya Dursun-Ozkanca

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Oya Dursun-Ozkanca served as a Guest Editor of the Special Issue, "The European Union and Security Sector Reform Practices: Challenges of Implementation", for [European Security](#), Volume 21, Issue 2, 2012.

Dursun-Ozkanca's recent publications are:

Dursun-Ozkanca, Oya. "Secularism in Turkey," [Religion and Public Life](#), Volume 38, June 2012.

Dursun-Ozkanca, Oya and Vandemoortele, Antoine. "The European Union and Security Sector Reform: Current Practices and Challenges of Implementation", [European Security](#), Volume 21, Issue 2, 2012.

Dursun-Ozkanca, Oya and Katy Crossley-Frolick. "Security Sector Reform and Transitional Justice in Kosovo: Comparing the Kosovo Security Force and Police Reform Processes", [Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding](#), Volume 6, Number 2, June 2012.

Crossley-Frolick, Katy and Dursun-Ozkanca, Oya. "Security Sector Reform in Kosovo: The Complex Division of Labor between the EU and Other Multilateral Institutions in Building Kosovo's Police Force", [European Security](#), Volume 21, Issue 2, 2012.

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A. Martens Assistant Professor at Northern Iowa

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Allison Martens has moved from Louisville, beginning a new position at the University of Northern Iowa.

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Seay Conducting Fieldwork, Testifying Before Congress

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Laura Seay spent the the summer in Uganda and the DRC, conducting preliminary fieldwork for her new project on the effects of U.S. legislation designed to address the Lord's Resistance Army and Congolese conflict minerals crises. Earlier, In May, she testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Financial Services Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade about her research on the conflict minerals issue.

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Ken Greene PI on Mexico 2012 Panel Study

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Ken Greene is the PI on the Mexico 2012 Panel Study, a multi-wave survey of citizens during Mexico's 2012 general elections with a focus on vote-buying and the impact of crime and violence on vote choices.

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New Article from J. Chausovsky

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Jonathan Chausovsky's article "From Bureau to Trade Commission: Agency Reputation in the Statebuilding Enterprise," has been accepted for publication at the *Journal of the Gilded Age and the Progressive Era (JGAPE)*. It is expected out next summer.

Abstract: Existing scholarship has explored the influences of societal interests and electoral imperatives on the creation of the Federal Trade Commission. By contrast, I suggest that the reputation and network influences of an existing Federal agency, the Bureau of Corporations, also impacted its creation. Building on the concept of Bureaucratic Autonomy, I examine the structure of the Bureau, its network, and its preferences. Leaders favored a clear separation from the Department of Justice, and argued a quasi-judicial process for antitrust would be more effective than the courts. They advocated discretion in covering small firms, mandatory annual reports, and the absence of authority to clear business agreements in advance. Well before the 1914 debates, leaders at the Bureau directed substantial funds towards influencing trust legislation. They contacted academics and civic leaders, tracked existing legislative proposals, and analyzed key legal terms. Internal studies examined key questions, such as how to define and regulate unfair trade practices. They argued Congress could never define these in legislation, but a bureaucracy with appropriate authority could adapt to changing business practices. When the Bureau became the nucleus of the FTC, it received much of the discretionary power it sought.

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J. Chausovsky Tenured

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Jonathan Chausovsky has been promoted to associate professor with tenure at SUNY-Fredonia.

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Seth McKee: Forthcoming and Recent Publications

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Forthcoming. "Political Geography in American Politics." [Oxford Bibliographies Online: Political Science](#). New York: Oxford University Press.

Forthcoming. "Analyzing Redistricting Outcomes," with Mark J. McKenzie, in [Rotten Boroughs, Political Thickets, and Legislative Donnybrooks: Redistricting in Texas](#), ed. Gary A. Keith. Austin: University of Texas Press.

2012. "The Past, Present, and Future of Southern Politics." [Southern Cultures](#) (Second Special Issue on Politics) 18(3): 95-117.

2012. "Achieving Validation: Barack Obama and Black Turnout in 2008," with M. V. Hood III and David Hill, in [State Politics & Policy Quarterly](#) 12(1): 3-22.

2012. "The Intersection of Redistricting, Race, and Participation," with Danny Hayes, in the [American Journal of Political Science](#) 56(1): 115-130.

2012. "Demanding Deliverance in Dixie: Race, the Civil Rights Movement, and Southern Politics," in [Oxford Handbook of Southern Politics](#), eds. Charles S. Bullock III and Mark J. Rozell. New York: Oxford University Press.

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Recent Placements

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Eduardo Dargent — Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (tenure track)

Michael Dennis — National Ground Intelligence Center (Intelligence Specialist)

Stephanie Holmsten — University of Texas at Austin (lecturer, International Relations and Global Studies)

Matt Vandenbroek — The Mellman Group (analyst)

Kristin Wylie — SUNY Geneseo (visiting assistant professor)

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