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Manuel Balán, McGill University

Laura Field, Faculty Fellow at Rhodes College

Aaron Herold, Postdoc at Rhodes College

Arthur Shuster, Jack Miller Veritas Fund Visiting Assistant Professor, Boston College

Mary Slosar, Senior Analyst at Lake Research Partners in Washington, D.C.

Matthew Wright, Visiting Assisant Professor, Morehead State University

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Recent PhDs Awarded

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Manuel Balán

Dissertation: Today's Allies, Tomorrow's Enemies? The Political Dynamics of Corruption Scandals in Latin America
Supervisor: Kurt Weyland

Matthew Cohen

Dissertation: Bargaining and Fighting in the Moonlight
Supervisors: Tse-min Lin and Harrison Wagner

N. Susanne Martin

Dissertation: From Parliamentarianism to Terrorism and Back Again
Supervisors: Rob Moser and Ami Pedahzur

Mohammed Malley

Dissertation: The Political Impact of Islamic Banking in Jordan
Supervisor: Clement Henry

Ernest McGowen

Dissertation: The Brave New World: The Social and Participatory Behaviors of the Modern Suburban African American
Supervisor: Tasha Philpot

Robert Parks

Dissertation: Local-National Relations and the Politics of Property Rights in Algeria and Tunisia
Supervisor: Clement Henry

Daniel Ryan

Dissertation: Democratic Governance and the Courts: The Political Sources of the Judicialization of Public Policy in Argentina
Supervisor: Dan Brinks

Mary Slosar

Dissertation: The Power of Personality: Candidate-Centered Voting in Comparative Perspective
Supervisor: Robert Luskin

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Recent ABDs

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Huseyin Alptekin

Supervisor: Raúl Madrid

Abby Blass

Supervisor: Dan Brinks

Jeremy Fortier

Supervisor: Thomas Pangle

Jennifer Lamm

Supervisor: David Leal

Ilana Lifshitz

Supervisor: Dan Brinks

Dorothy Morgan

Supervisor: Tse-min Lin

Jessica Price

Supervisor: Raúl Madrid

Rachel Sternfeld

Supervisor: Jason Brownlee

Yuval Weber

Supervisor: Peter Trubowitz

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Graduate Student Papers at 2011 APSA

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Huseyin Alptekin: "Institutional Incorporation and Ethnic Mobilization in Cyprus and Turkey." Sun., Sept. 4, 10:15 a.m.

Emma Deputy: "Toshka: The Façade of Great Public Works in Authoritarian Regimes." Thurs, Sept. 1, 10:15 a.m.

Jonghoon Eun: "Estimating and Comparing the Ideal Points of Departing Justices and Their Successors." Fri., Sept. 2, 2 p.m

Patrick Hickey: "Beyond Pivotal Politics: An Analysis of Vote Switching on Veto Override Votes." Fri., Sept. 2, 8 a.m.

Stephanie Holmsten: "The Relative Effects of Race and Gender on Voting Behavior." Fri., Sept. 2, 10:15 a.m.

Sarat Krishnan: "Suicide Attacks — Opportunistic Tactic or Strategic Campaign?" Fri., Sept. 2, 10:15 a.m.

Jennifer Lamm: "Political Rights and Wrongs: Alien Soldiers, Veterans, and their Families in the United States." Sun., Sept. 4, 10:15 a.m.

Megan Moeller: "All the Republican Ladies, Now Put Your Hands Up: The Effect of Gender on Ideology in Roll Call Votes." Thurs., Sept. 1, 8 a.m.

Pete Mohanty: "Thick and Thin and Public Support for the Political Inclusion of Immigrants." Sun., Sept. 4, 10:15 a.m.

Matt Vandenbroek: "Disentangling Aversion: Experimentally Testing the Impact of Disgust and Anger on Political Participation." Sat., Sept. 3, 4:15 p.m.

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2011-12 Graduate Student Department Fellowships

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Macdonald Dissertation Fellowships (full year):

Huseyin Alptekin

Matthew Buehler

Kody Cooper

Jessica Price

L. Matthew Vandenbroek

Michelle Wolfe

Macdonald Dissertation Fellowships (half year):

Jacqueline Hunsicker

Ilana Lifshitz

Amanda Skuldt

Eric Svensen

Randy Uang

Mark Verbitsky

Allison White

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2011-12 Graduate Student External Fellowships and Grants

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Boren Fellowships:

Katherine Bersch Emma Deputy

J.J. Kinkel

Yuval Weber

Carnegie Research Fellowship:

Yuval Weber

Earhart Fellowship:

Laura Rabinowitz

Fulbright:

Daniel Nogueira-Budny

SSRC Middle East Political Science Travel Grant:

Emma Deputy

NSF Dissertation Improvement Grant:

L. Matthew Vandenbroek

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship

Johnny Meyer

NSF/TESS Grant (Time-Sharing Experiments in the Social Sciences):

Austin Hart (with Joel Middleton, NYU)

Social Science Humanities Research Council of Canada:

Jeremy Fortier

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Zinman Article in Presidential Studies Quarterly

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Don Zinman's article "The Heir Apparent Presidency of James Madison" will be published in December's *Presidential Studies Quarterly*.

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D. Williams to DePaul

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David Williams is now associate professor at DePaul University.

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Phillips and Hawes Awarded Contract by THHSC

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Charles Phillips (PhD 1979) and Catherine Hawes (PhD 1983) (both professors, Texas A&M Health Science Center) have been awarded a contract by The Texas Health and Human Services Commission to develop an instrument that will be used to assess the care needs of all those individuals in Texas seeking or receiving Medicaid home care services, over 150,000 Texans.

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Okruhlik Forms Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies

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Gwenn Okruhlik (PhD 1992, visiting scholar, Trinity University) formed the Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies, unanimously approved by the Middle East Studies Association Board of Directors. The association is committed to high standards of scholarship and instruction, innovative research agendas, new networks of collaboration, the promotion of fieldwork in the GAP, the integration of promising graduate students, and the inclusion of diversity (in gender, discipline, age, location and area expertise). The association will sponsor several panels at each MESA meeting and hopes to encourage research agendas that are fresh and nuanced, both in theory and empiricism. Early membership is drawn from North America, Asia, the Middle East and Europe.

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