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Institute of Governmental Affairs Mission Statement

The mission of the Institute of Governmental Affairs (IGA) is to promote research, graduate training, and public service in the social sciences. The institute strives to enrich the intellectual life of the campus through its research programs and public affairs activities. It serves as a locus for interdisciplinary activities in the social sciences. With its limited discretionary funds, the institute seeks to seed new and promising research initiatives. The institute also provides an array of specialized support services not available elsewhere on campus and targeted to the needs of social science researchers. These services include grant advising, preparation, and management; library and data services; social science computing, programming, and statistical consulting; and event coordination. IGA services have been essential to the recruitment and retention of top social scientists over the past decade, as well as to the development of strong core departments and interdisciplinary initiatives in the social sciences.

Overview of 2007-2008

During 2007-2008, the institute was the subject of a periodic review. As part of that review the institute produced an extensive report providing an overview of its history and recent activities (which can be found on the IGA Web site at www.iga.ucdavis.edu/Publications/IGA_Six-Year_Review.pdf). A review committee conducted an evaluation and concluded that IGA provided "indispensible research support and infrastructure in an optimally efficient manner to departments that could not otherwise provide them on their own." That review report will now circulate for comment to various campus committees and administrators.

Independent of that review, IGA was one of the few units on campus singled out for a cut far in excess of the campus planning target (25% of base budget versus the 7% cut most units experienced). As a result of this cut the institute was forced to eliminate 26% of its staff or 2.25 FTE .

Research Programs

In 2007-2008, IGA housed nine campus-based research programs and two systemwide programs.

Institute Research Programs

Agricultural History Center

During the 2006-07 academic year, the Agricultural History Center was disestablished as an organized research unit and its activities were absorbed by IGA. The center's long-time director Peter Lindert (Economics) retired at the end of fall quarter 2007. At that time, the center's programs were closed, and Professor Lindert's ongoing research activities became a part of the Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy.

Center for International Data

The Center for International Data (CID) was established in the fall of 1999 under the leadership of Robert Feenstra (Economics). The center is housed at the Institute of Governmental Affairs and the Department of Economics. This center collects, enhances, creates, and disseminates international economic data. Data are available for both online and offline distribution, as described in its Web site: data.econ.ucdavis.edu/international or www.internationaldata.org/. This center's focus fits well with the campus's strength in international economics and bodes the potential to be among the most prominent sources of international economic data in the world.

Since its inception, the center has made impressive progress on five projects.

U.S. Import and Export Data The center distributes large U.S. trade datasets on CD-ROM and directly via the Web. These data provide disaggregated trade statistics for 1972 through 2006 that have been assembled by Robert Feenstra under various research grants. A great deal of effort has gone into correcting errors in the original data obtained from the U.S. government and presenting it in a user-friendly form. These datasets have been distributed to individual users and libraries throughout the United States, and are available free of charge on the Web site.

World Trade Flows The United Nations produces imports and exports data for all countries of the world, but these data are in a format that is inconvenient for academic users. Using a grant from the National Science Foundation, Robert Feenstra and Robert Lipsey (NBER, New York) have made a very large set of UN trade data freely available to users on the CID Web site. Those data cover the years 1962 – 2000, and about 150 major countries with all their trade partners.

Chinese and Hong Kong Trade Data A third very unique dataset available from the center, but only to researchers at UC Davis, is a complete set of Chinese import and export data (1988-2006) and Hong Kong import, export, and re-export data (1984-2006). Several graduate students in economics have used these data for their dissertation research and gone on to obtain their Ph.D. degrees and university positions. Several other graduate students and faculty affiliated with IGA are using the data currently. The center ensures that these data are available in a form that permits users easy access and complete documentation.

Tariff Data In order to analyze import flows, it is essential to have accurate information on the tariffs imposed by importing countries. During the past year, the center has been involved in compiling corrected historical tariffs for the 1960s, and also more recent data on tariffs from the United National and other sources. These data are still in too preliminary a form to be distributed, but will be used in various research projects.

Penn World Tables Professor Feenstra is now a partner in the Penn World Table, the leading source of internationally comparable national accounts data. This partnership provides a unique opportunity for the center to expand the breadth its international data collections. Constructed by Robert Summers and Alan Heston of the University of Pennsylvania, together with the late Irving Kravis, the Penn World Table is the definitive source for real, common currency, national accounts data. These data are invaluable for making comparisons of gross domestic product across countries, and for all manner of research on development and growth. The current version of the Penn World Table includes real GDP which measures the standard of living for consumers. But most users of the Penn World Table are interested instead in the productivity of countries. The difference between the standard of living and the productivity of countries lies in their trade opportunities: countries with better trade opportunities can have a higher standard of living due to trade, rather than through domestic productivity. Research funding was received from the National Science Foundation under a grant covering 2007-2010. Those grants enable Feenstra and Heston to make the distinction between real GDP for consumers and real GDP in production. That distinction is being made using the international trade data for countries, which is already available at the center. The NSF grant is held jointly with Feenstra and Heston as principal investigators, along with John Romalis (Economics, University of Chicago), Bart van Ark and Marcel Timmer (Groningen Growth and Development Center, University of Groningen), D.S. Prasada Rao (Economics, University of Queensland, Brisbane) and Robert Hill (Economics, University of New South Wales). The large numbers of researchers involved in the project reflects the need to incorporate new data and methods into the Penn World Table,

extending its timeframe and adding more measurements of the international prices faced by countries.

During the spring quarter of 2008, Professor Prasada Rao visited UC Davis, sponsored by the Center for International Data and the Department of Economics. He conducted joint research with Robert Feenstra on the measurement of the standard of living across countries. Their research was subsequently presented at a conference at the University of Groningen, and other conferences in Europe.

Center for State and Local Taxation

The Center for State and Local Taxation was founded in 1990 to promote education and research in taxation. Through its programs, the center seeks to facilitate a clearer understanding of the effects of alternative state and local tax strategies on individual and corporate taxpayers, economic activity, and government revenues. The center's activities are coordinated by its director, Steven Sheffrin (Economics) and associate director, Terri Sexton (Economics, CSU Sacramento).

Summer Tax Institute The center's annual Summer Tax Institute was held in June 2008 on the UC Davis campus. The institute provided in-depth training for over one hundred tax professionals from across the country. The institute is cosponsored by the California Franchise Tax Board and the California State Board of Equalization. Associate Director Sexton provided administrative oversight for the event and served as its primary host.

Research and Outreach The center maintained an active research and outreach agenda in 2007-2008. The center sponsored a well-attended conference on *The Economic and Social Impacts of Indian Gaming* in October 2007. Presentations from the conference are available on the center Web site at www.iga.ucdavis.edu/Research/CSLT/conference-on-indian-gaming-2007/conference-on-indian-gaming-2007.

Both Sheffrin and Sexton participated in two major events focusing on property taxation this year: the *2008 Conference on Property Taxation*, cosponsored by the Lincoln Institute for Land Policy and the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies (isp-aysps.gsu.edu/academics/conferences/conf2008/propertytax.html) and *Proposition 13 at 30: The Political, Economic, and Fiscal Impacts*, cosponsored by the Institute of Governmental Studies at UC Berkeley; the UC San Diego Department of Sociology, and the James Irvine Foundation (igs.berkeley.edu/events/prop13.html). At the *Conference on Property Taxation* held on April 27-29, 2008 in Stone Mountain, Georgia, Sheffrin presented a paper on fairness in market value taxation, and Sexton addressed the taxation of property transactions versus taxation of property ownership. A conference volume, *What Role for Property Taxes?*, is forthcoming from the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy in 2009. At the 30th anniversary conference on Proposition 13, Sheffrin presented *Re-thinking the Fairness of Proposition 13* and Sexton's discussed *Proposition 13 and Residential Mobility*. These papers will appear in a conference volume from Berkeley Public Policy Press.

In other work, Professor Sheffrin and UC Davis graduate student Bei Li contributed a chapter on property taxation in the People's Republic of China to *Privatizing China: Socialism from Afar* published by Cornell University Press. Sheffrin also attended the *Brookings-Wharton Conference on Urban Affairs* in October 2007; the fall National Tax Association meeting in Columbus, Ohio and the annual meeting in Washington, D.C.; participated in NYU's Institute on State and Local Taxation in December 2007; and spoke on state tax policy in the new economy as part of the February 27, 2008, conference, *How Do/How Should We Tax?: Tax Reform for California's New Economy*, cosponsored by the New America Foundation and the University of

California Center in Sacramento. Associate Director Sexton prepared a report on *Property Tax Assessment Limits* with co-author Mark Haveman (Minnesota Taxpayers Association) for the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. She also presented work on *The Increasing Importance of Assessment Limitations as a Means of Limiting Property Taxes on Homeowners* in October 2007.

Center researchers continue to serve as resources to the media, stakeholders, and government on issues relating to taxation and the economy. Associate Director Sexton consulted with representative of the New Rules Project of the Institute for Local Self-Reliance, the Trust for Public Lands, and various members of the media. Director Sheffrin testified before the Senate Committee on Revenue and Taxation on February 27, 2008 as part of a review of state tax expenditures and participated in a hearing on *Tax Policy in a Period of Budget Crisis: An Examination of Revenue Options and Tax Expenditures* before the Assembly Revenue and Tax Committee on April 7, 2008. He also provided commentary on economic and fiscal issues in print, radio and television media outlets. Sheffrin and Sexton met with Lt. Governor Garamendi to discuss California's fiscal crisis and possible funding approaches.

Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy

The Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy (CEGE) focuses on the study of the global economy past and present. The center builds upon campus strengths in the applied fields of international economics and economic history. The program, headed by Alan M. Taylor (Economics), seeks to promote understanding of the process of globalization in the long-run, employing cutting-edge comparative and global approaches to the study of economic issues. Economic responses to the external economic shocks that result from the processes of globalization are of special interest. The affiliated faculty in the Department of Economics are: Paul Bergin, Gregory Clark, Robert Feenstra, Peter Lindert, Christopher Meissner, Giovanni Peri, Katheryn Russ, Deborah Swenson, and Wing Thye Woo.

The program aims to develop international exchanges with partners in support of scholarly research and training. The center has ties with such institutions as Groningen Growth and Development Centre, University of Groningen; University of Utrecht; London School of Economics; University of Warwick; Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Spain) and the Economic History Initiative, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) (UK). Activities in the 2007-2008 academic year include the following:

Short and Long-Term Visitors The following visitors came to campus in the Fall of 2007 with the support of CEGE:

- Creina Day, a lecturer at Australian National University was invited to discuss research ideas with the UC Davis economic growth group (Taylor, Peri et al.) and to present a paper in the international/macro workshop.
- David Jacks, a former UC Davis graduate student, now a professor at Simon Frasier University, visited to pursue research with Alan Taylor and to develop an NSF research grant with Taylor and Kevin O'Rourke in 2008 which will run in part through CEGE.
- Kevin O'Rourke, a uc Davis Ph.D. and professor at Trinity College, Dublin, and at CEPR made a visit to pursue multiple research projects Alan Taylor, David Jacks, and Ahmad Rahman. CEPR is an important overseas institution for CEGE.
- Ahmed Rahman, a professor at the U.S. Naval Academy and a UC Davis PhD visited to pursue joint research with Alan Taylor, Kevin O'Rourke, and David Jacks.

- Paul Sharpe, a graduate student at the University of Copenhagen (supervised by Karl Gunnar Persson) worked on agricultural economic history and commodity market globalization. The UC Davis faculty is strong in these areas, as are our library holdings. He also presented his work in progress at our economic history workshop.
- Joachim Voth, a professor at Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona visited to discuss research ideas with the UC Davis economic history group and to present a paper. Pompeu Fabra is an important overseas institution for CEGE.

One of CEGE's primary goals is to bring researchers to campus in our areas of interest. We also aim to build bridges with foreign institutions with which we can forge long-term partnerships and collaborative/exchange programs.

Graduate Student Support Several UC Davis economics graduate students were engaged as research assistants in 2007-2008 including Adriana Arroyo-Abad, Yanping Chang, Rowena Gray, and Seema Sangita who have been working on projects with Alan Taylor.

Annual CEGE Conference The 2nd annual CEGE conference was held on May 2, 2008, on the theme *Perspectives on Financial Globalization and Adjustment*. Papers were presented by Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas (Economics, UC Berkeley), Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan (Economics, University of Houston), Maurice Obstfeld (Economics, UC Berkeley), Eswar Prasad (Applied Economics and Management, Cornell), Jay Shambaugh (Economics, Dartmouth), and Eric van Wincoop (Economics, University of Virginia). Discussants were Laura Alfaro (Business Administration, Harvard University); Paul Bergin (UC Davis); Kathryn Dominguez (Public Policy and Economics, University of Michigan); Christopher Meissner (UC Davis); Linda Tesar (Economics, University of Michigan); and Diego Valderrama (San Francisco Federal Reserve). The conference program is on the Web site at www.iga.ucdavis.edu/Research/CEGE/cege-conference-2008/CEGE%20program%202008%20%282%29.pdf. The event was organized by Christopher Meissner, Katheryn Russ, and Alan Taylor and was attended by over 50 people, including leading scholars from Northern California schools such as Stanford University, University of Santa Clara, and UC Berkeley.

Other Events Supported by CEGE The center has cosponsored several events with other UC Davis partners including the Economics Department, Center for History Society and Culture (visits by Tyler Cowen and Ha-Joon Chang) and the Institute for Governmental Affairs (as noted in the event calendar in the public affairs section of this report).

Conflict Processes Group

The Conflict Processes Group (CPG) at UC Davis is an interdisciplinary research program devoted to the study of interpersonal, intergroup, intranational, and international conflicts that entail potential or actual violence. The program is headed by Zeev Maoz (Political Science) and jointly sponsored by IGA and the International Relations Program.

The program has engaged in a number of activities involving scholars from UC Davis and other institutions, as well as the Davis community and beyond. The program sponsors panel discussions and lectures intended to provide perspectives on current events, as well as events (seminars, workshops, and conferences) intended for a more narrow scholarly audience.

The CPG conducted the following activities in 2007-2008:

- *The Enforcement Problem in Coercive Bargaining: Interstate Conflict over Rebel Support in Civil Wars*, Kenneth Shultz (Political Science, Stanford University)

- *Sex Differences in a Simulated Crisis Game*, Rose McDermott (Political Science, UC Santa Barbara)
- *Understanding the 1994 Rwandan Genocide*, Allan Stam (Political Science, University of Michigan)
- *From Vietnam to Iraq, How Counterinsurgency Doctrine has Changed*, Peter Mansoor (History, Ohio State University) (cosponsored with History).

Economy, Justice and Society

Economy, Justice and Society (EJS) is an interdisciplinary program involving faculty from the Departments of Economics, Political Science, Sociology, and the School of Education. The program focuses on the influence of social, cultural, and political factors on the economic success of individuals and groups.

Marianne Page (Economics) directed the program in 2007-2008. The 2007-2008 program committee consisted of Eric Grodsky (Sociology), Michal Kurlaender (School of Education), Kim Shauman (Sociology), Randy Siverson (Political Science), and Ann Huff Stevens (Economics).

Despite the continuing modest budget of EJS, in 2007-2008 the program again engaged in many activities. These consisted of a well-attended seminar series on *The Determinants of Economic Success (DES)*, which ran in both the Fall and Spring Quarters, a conference on adolescent decision-making and uncertainty, organized by Eric Grodsky, Michael Kurlaender and Kim Shauman, and sponsorship of the first ever All-UC Labor Economics Workshop.

All-UC Labor Workshop The introductory event this year was the first ever All-UC Labor Workshop held over two days at UC Davis in late September. One time funding was provided by the Division of Social Sciences, the Institute for Government Affairs, and the All-UC Labor and Employment Research Fund. The field of labor economics includes a broad range of topics related to labor unions, poverty and inequality, race, ethnic and gender differences in the labor market, education and human capital, minimum wages, intergenerational mobility, and immigration. Faculty and graduate students across the UC system conduct research in all of these important public policy areas. The workshop included approximately 30 faculty from economics departments, business schools, policy schools, and the Institute for Research on Labor and Employment from nine campuses, including some of the UC system's most prominent labor economists, as well as many junior faculty and faculty from smaller campuses where there are fewer opportunities for mentoring and collaboration.

The goals of the conference were to 1) help establish intercampus co-operation and collaboration within the labor economics community; 2) provide faculty with the opportunity to present, and obtain feedback on, research that is at an earlier stage than at the typical national conference; 3) provide mentoring and networking opportunities for junior faculty in the UC system; and 4) provide an opportunity for advanced graduate students to present their work and begin to make connections outside of their home department.

DES Seminar The DES seminar sponsored speakers from universities such as Harvard, Princeton, and the University of Michigan, and had an audience of 25 or more people. The following seven seminars constituted the DES series for 2007-2008.

- *The Effect of Employment Protection on Productivity: Evidence from a Public School Dismissal Policy*, Brian Jacob (Public Policy, University of Michigan)
- *Prejudice and the Economics of Discrimination*, Jonathan Guryan (Business, University of Chicago)

- *Thirteen Ways of Looking at the Black-White Test Score Gap*, Sean Reardon (Education, Stanford University)
- *Three Conditions under Which Observational Studies and Randomized Experiments Sharing the Same Intervention Group Regularly Recreate Similar Causal Estimates: LaLonde Revisited Twenty Years Later*, Tom Cook (Sociology, Psychology, Education and Social Policy, Northwestern University)
- *Does Professor Quality Matter? Evidence of Random Assignments of Students to Professors*, Scott Carrell (UC Davis)
- *Population Heterogeneity and Causal Inference*, Yu Xie (Sociology, University of Michigan)
- *Prenatal Nutrition and Adult Outcomes: The Effect of Fasting During Ramadan*, Bhash Mazumder (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago)

Spring Conference Eric Grodsky, assisted by Kim Shauman, and Michal Kurlaender, organized a very successful conference at Davis, on May 16, on Adolescent Decision-making and Uncertainty. The conference attracted presenters from a variety of disciplines and from prominent institutions. The program included:

- *Risk and Rationality in Adolescent Decision Making: A Fuzzy-Trace Theory Approach*, Valerie Reyna (Human Development and Psychology, Cornell University)
- *Adolescent Decision Making in Developmental Context*, Lisa Crockett (Psychology, University of Nebraska, Lincoln)
- *Adolescent (Over)Confidence and Risk*, Andrew Parker (RAND Corporation)
- *Crime, Deterrence, and Rational Choice: Modeling Adolescent Risk Perceptions and Illegal Behavior*, Ross Matsueda (Sociology, University of Washington)
- *Can Adolescents Predict Significant Life Events?* Wandu Bruine de Bruin (Social and Decision Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University)

Migration Dialogue

Directed by Philip Martin (ARE), this program develops the data and analysis necessary for rational decision-making on emotionally charged immigration issues in California, the United States and in other countries. The researchers affiliated with the program analyze the impacts of immigrant workers on the California economy generally, and especially in agriculture, the impacts of immigrants on US residents, and the roles of and effects of immigrant workers abroad. Immigration researchers at UC-Davis include Jeannette Money (Political Science), Kevin Johnson (School of Law), and Edward Taylor (ARE).

During 2007-2008, the Immigration, Population, and the Economy program:

- Hosted a major conference on the impacts of comprehensive immigration reforms at the UC Washington Center
- Produced the quarterly newsletters *Migration News* and *Rural Migration News* (migration.ucdavis.edu/index.php)
- Completed program director Martin's book, *Importing Poverty? Immigration and the Changing Face of Rural America* (forthcoming from Yale University Press in 2009)

Program on Decision-making, Communication, and Uncertainty

The Program on Decision-Making, Communication, and Uncertainty was established in the spring of 2005. Headed by Robert Huckfeldt (Political Science), the program is an interdisciplinary initiative focusing on the use of experimental, computational, and observational methodologies for studying decision-making and communication in contexts marked by uncertainty.

Research in these areas has given rise to distinctive theoretical and methodological approaches: the widespread use of experimentation, theories of cognition, theories of communication and cooperation, game theory, network theory, computational methods, and other individual and group-based measurement strategies. These approaches are integral to program efforts.

The program sponsored the following lectures during the 2007-2008 academic year:

- *Beyond Heritability: The Physiological Differences between Liberals and Conservatives*, John Hibbing (Political Science, University of Nebraska)
- *Computational Cognitive Politics: Applying a High-Dimensional Cognitive Model to Political Psychology and Communication*, Martin Johnson (Political Science, UC Riverside)
- *Neuroeconomics of Decision-Making and Self-Control*, John R. Monterosso (Psychiatry, UCLA)

Rural Economies of the Americas Program

The Rural Economies of the Americas Program (REAP) at IGA has three major goals: (1) To generate new information through surveys and collaborative research on critical rural development issues in the Americas; (2) To provide this information to policy makers and others dedicated to eradicating rural poverty and improving welfare in rural communities; and (3) To prepare a new generation of scholars to conduct rural economic analysis and provide information vital for the design of rural development policies. The program is supported in these activities by the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation.

Collaborative projects on rural economic change and poverty bring together students and faculty from Latin American universities and the UC Davis in order to achieve these research, policy, and training objectives.

REAP's accomplishments in 2007-2008 include:

- Round II of the Mexico National Rural Household Survey (**ENHRUM II**) was implemented jointly with REAP's sister program at El Colegio de Mexico, PRECESAM. This nationally representative survey collected new information from 1,782 households surveyed as part of ENHRUM I in 2003, using the same survey format. More than 100 students from 14 Mexican universities participated in each survey. These surveys provide valuable data for joint research projects and student theses focusing on rural poverty. ENHRUM II provides the first detailed look at changes in rural poverty, incomes, and migration from a representative sample of Mexican rural households surveyed at two different points in time.
- A study of the impacts of the Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) on agricultural production and rural welfare in Central America found that, although some households will lose, others will gain from cheaper food imports. The majority of rural

households in Mexico and Central America are net buyers of food. This study was featured in *The Atlantic* magazine.

- A study of the economic impacts of tourism in the Galapagos Islands, featured in *The Economist*, raises concerns about the effectiveness of existing policies at balancing environmental and economic goals at this World Heritage Site, now on the UNESCO endangered list.
- A series of studies found that the determinants and impacts of international migration are gender-specific, and that US immigration policies are more of a deterrent for immigration by women than men. More than half of the world's international migrants are women.

REAP/PRECESAM activities, publications, working papers, and other resources are available on the web at www.reap.ucdavis.edu and precesam.colmex.mx.

Systemwide Programs

All-UC Group in Economic History

The institute is the administrative home of the All-UC Group in Economic History. The group works to strengthen teaching and research in economic history within the UC system through its conferences, intercampus exchanges, and research grants for graduate students. Activities in 2007-2008 were a Graduate Student Workshop held in Berkeley in October 2007 and a conference on *Crises and Prosperity in Comparative Economic History* held May 23-25, 2008 at the Huntington Library and Caltech.

Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation

The Institute of Governmental Affairs serves as the UC Davis liaison to the systemwide Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC). IGCC was founded in 1983 as a multicampus research unit, serving the entire University of California system by studying the causes of international conflict and devising options for resolving conflict through international cooperation. Working through the Institute of Governmental Affairs, the IGCC campus program facilitates research, teaching, and discussion of international topics across a wide segment of the UC Davis community.

The campus proposal received \$15,000 in block and activity grant funding from systemwide IGCC for the year. The funding was used to support the following Junior Faculty Research Program award:

- *Research in the Congo on the Social and Political Consequences of Coltan Mining*, James Smith (Anthropology)

For the first time, IGCC funding was also used to support relevant Dissertation Improvement Awards. Student receiving IGCC funding for their work were:

- *Measures of Traded Good Quality*, Benjamin Mandel (Economics)
- *Non-state Violence, Targets, and Sponsors: Why Do States Ally with Non-state Armed Groups?* Belgin San (Political Science)
- *Political Parties, their Goals, and Behavior in the Presence of Uncertainty*, Zeynep Somer-Topcu (Political Science)
- *Economic Outcomes, Procedural Fairness and Satisfaction with Village Committees in the Chinese Countryside*, Jenifer Wilking (Political Science)

The remainder of the block grant was used to support *Rights Talk and Rights Work in the Middle East and South Asia*, a conference held February 28 – 29, 2008. The conference was organized by the UC Davis Middle East/Southeast Asian Studies Program and cosponsored by a number of campus organization including the IGCC Program.

Institute Funding Programs

The institute supports two small, yet high-impact, funding programs for social scientists: the Dissertation Improvement Awards Program and the Junior Faculty Research Program.

Dissertation Awards Program

Since 2003-2004, IGA has sponsored a Dissertation Improvement Awards Program. The program is intended to provide research funding for exemplary graduate students. The grants are used for research-related expenses such as interview transcription, data acquisition, fieldwork, and travel to archives and special collections. The institute works with department graduate program chairs to administer parallel competitions in several departments with award criteria tailored to the varying needs and preferences of the disciplines. These modest awards have allowed many talented students to expand the depth and breadth of their dissertation research in ways that not only improve the quality of the dissertation but have positive impacts on their initial job placements and on their careers for many years to come. Recipients in 2007-2008 were:

- John Bunce (Anthropology), *Behavioral Genetics of Color Vision in a Wild Neotropical Monkey*
- Raven Carper (Anthropology), *In the Face of Climate Change: Middle Holocene Behavioral Responses in Mendoza Argentina*
- Sun Go (Economics), *The Rise and Centralization of American Public Schools in the 19th Century*
- Jesus Hernandez (Sociology), *Redlining and the Housing Crisis of 2007: Local Effects on the Global*
- Peter Huckfeldt (Economics), *Prenatal Health Insurance Over the Business Cycle*
- Lisa Justice (History), *Mythical Origins: The Construction of Identity in Late Medieval Scotland*
- Benjamin Mandel (Economics), *Measures of Traded Good Quality*
- Carl McCabe (Anthropology), *Cooperation and Trust in China's Informal Economy: Social Relations in the Grain Distribution Networks in Wenshui City and Heibei Province*
- Sarah Ovink (Sociology), *Mexican-American Postsecondary Pathways: Investigating the College Attendance Gender Gap*
- Charles Pearson (Anthropology), *Digital Conservatism: The Emergence of Network Politics*
- Matthew Preston (Anthropology), *The Process of Extinction and Persistence: Primates in Changed vs. Unchanged Forests*
- Jesse Rude (Sociology), *Interracial Friendships in Context: Their Formation, Development, and Impact*

- Belgin San (Political Science), *Non-state Violence, Targets, and Sponsors: Why Do States Ally with Non-state Armed Groups?*
- Nick Sanders (Economics), *The Effects of Air Pollution on Childhood Mental Development*
- Samantha Scott (History), *Socializing Health: Tuberculosis and Social Control in Progressive Era Seattle*
- Zeynep Somer-Topcu (Political Science), *Political Parties, their Goals, and Behavior in the Presence of Uncertainty*
- Jenifer Wilking (Political Science), *Economic Outcomes, Procedural Fairness and Satisfaction with Village Committees in the Chinese Countryside*
- Greg Wright (Economics), *Determinants of Technology Diffusion in China*

Junior Faculty Research Program

The goal of the IGA Junior Faculty Research Program is to assist untenured faculty in cultivating a base of external funding that will support their work over the long term. In addition to seed support, recipients of Junior Faculty Research Program awards have access to IGA's grant-related services such as identifying potential funding sources, proposal preparation and submission assistance, and grant management services for funded projects. Although IGA's funding for the program is limited (this year approximately \$25,000 was allocated), the return on these seed investments has been excellent. Since its inception in 1998-99, the program made over 80 awards totaling approximately \$280,000. Eighty percent of the awardees fulfilled their obligation to apply for external support. Award recipients secured more than 45 grants totaling over \$2.8 million in extramural funding. Each dollar invested in the program has yielded nearly ten to support faculty research while helping junior faculty build skills, knowledge, and experience in obtaining research funding that will benefit them throughout their careers.

Junior Faculty Research Program recipients in 2007-2008 were:

- Cheryl Boudreau (Political Science), *Conflicting Cues and their Implications for Citizen Competence*
- Scott Carrell (Economics), *Getting Qualified High School Seniors to Enroll in College*
- Cindy Kam* (Political Science), *The Political Consequences of Attitudes Toward Risk**
- Burkhard Schipper (Economics), *How to Manipulate Others*
- Donna Shestowsky (Law), *Legal Dispute Resolution*
- James Smith (Anthropology), *Research in the Congo on the Social and Political Consequences of Coltan Mining*

Grant Proposal Activity

The institute provides a range of service to assist social science faculty in securing and managing funding for their research activities. The institute provides support from the conceptualization of a proposal throughout the proposal preparation and submission process to the administration of funding once awarded. During fiscal year 2007-2008, IGA submitted 40

* Professor Kam returned her award mid-year when she accepted a position at another institution.

contract and grant applications on behalf of faculty and graduate students. This year 19 projects received new funding totaling \$1,622,874.

Newly funded projects are:

- Julian Alston (ARE), *Institutional Innovations in Financing and Performing Public Agricultural R & D: Lessons for the United States*, \$150,000 from the U.S.D.A.
- Fred Block (Sociology), *The Hidden Developmental State in the United States*, \$200,000 from the Ford Foundation
- Scott Carrell (Economics), *Raising College Students' Grades: A Controlled Experiment in Peer Effects*, \$55,000 from the National Academy of Education (NAE/Spencer Fellowship)
- Natalia Deeb-Sossa (Sociology), *Experiences of Mexican Women When Accessing Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) in California and Mexico: Effects of Globalization and Immigration Policies*, \$21,570 from Programa de Investigación en Migración y Salud, UCOP
- Scott Gartner (Political Science), *Why and When do Civil War Dispute Resolution Efforts do Poorly?* \$15,200 from the The Folke Bernadotte Academy
- Hilary Hoynes, Marianne Page, and Ann Stevens (Economics), *The Impacts of Food and Nutrition Programs on Short and Long Run Economic and Health Outcomes: New Results Using Program Introduction*, \$99,995 from the U.S.D.A.
- Peter Huckfeldt* (Economics), *The Impacts of Recent Public Prenatal Health Insurance Eligibility Expansions*, \$15,000 from the California Program on Access to Care (CPAC), UCOP
- Christopher Knittel (Economics), *Information Technology, Outsourcing and Productivity*, \$45,600 from the National Bureau of Economic Research (subaward from NSF).
- Zeev Maoz (Political Science) *Stimulating Research and Discovery in the Study of Religion*, \$121,438 from the Pennsylvania State University/Templeton Foundation
- Douglas Miller, Marianne Page, and Ann Stevens (Economics), *Are Recessions Really Good for Your Health? Understanding Procyclical Mortality*, \$27,670 from the Center for the Economics and Demographic of Aging (CEDA), UC Berkeley (subaward from NIH)
- Dina Okamoto (Sociology), *The Civic and Political Incorporation of Immigrants in Non-traditional Destinations*, \$165,835 from the Russell Sage Foundation
- Dina Okamoto and Melanie Jones (Sociology), *The Role of Community-Based Organizations in the Lives of Immigrant and Second Generation Youth - Supplemental Award*, \$60,000 from the William T. Grant Foundation
- Sarah Ovink (Sociology)* *Mexican-American Postsecondary Pathways: Investigating the College Attendance Gender Gap*, \$7,500 from the National Science Foundation.
- Alan Olmstead (Economics and IGA) *IGCC Campus Program at UC Davis: Block Grant 2007-08*, \$18,000 from the Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, UCOP

* Graduate student award

- Marianne Page (Economics), *All-UC Labor Workshop Proposal*, \$18,000 from the Miguel Contreras Labor Program, UCOP
- John Ryan (Political Science)* *Information, Communication and Political Learning*, \$6,232 from the National Science Foundation.
- Ann Steven (Economics), *Retirement Wealth Across Cohorts: The Role of Earnings Inequality and Pension Changes*, \$50,000 from the Retirement Research Center, University of Michigan (subaward from the Social Security Administration)
- J. Edward Taylor (ARE), *General Support - Rural Economies of the Americas Program*, \$500,000 from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation
- Eddy U (Sociology), *The Making of Intellectuals: Politics and Identity in the People's Republic of China*, \$45,834 from the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation

In addition, the institute administered 19 continuing contracts and grants. Continuing projects were:

- Tom Beamish (Sociology), *'Bio-Safety' or 'Bio-Hazard'? Organizational Pursuit and Community Response to a Safety and Preparedness Initiative* from the National Science Foundation
- Robert Feenstra (Economics), *Integrating Expenditures and Production Estimates in International Comparisons* from the National Science Foundation
- Robert Feenstra (Economics), *Research on Improved Methods of Estimating Production and Income Across Nations* from the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER/NSF)
- Diane Felmlee (Sociology), *Dynamics of Human Behavior* from the National Science Foundation
- Jefferson Gill (Political Science), *Collaborative Research: Adaptive Nonparametric Markov Chain Monte Carlo Algorithms for Social Data Models with Nonparametric Priors* from the National Science Foundation
- Emily Goldman (Political Science), *The Diffusion of Terrorist and Counter-Terrorist Practices* from US Institute of Peace
- Ryken Grattet (Sociology), *The Causes & Consequences of Parole Violations in California: A Multi-Level & Policy Focused Analysis* from the Department of Justice
- Eric Grodsky (Sociology), *Perverse Openness or Virtuous Cycle? The likely Future of Racial and Ethnic Educational Stratification* from the National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation
- Ming-cheng Lo (Sociology), *One Science Does not Fit All: The Social Processes of "Culturally Competent Healthcare* from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- Molly Melin* (Political Science), *Who Manages? Analyzing Third Party Identity and Performance in Low Level Intrastate Conflict* from the Folke Bernadotte Foundation.
- Alan Olmstead (IGA/Economics), *IGCC Block Grant*

* Graduate student award.

- Alan Olmstead (IGA/Economics), *Collaborative Research: Seeds and Slaves: Technological Change, Plantation Efficiency, and Southern Economic Development* from the National Science Foundation
- Alan Olmstead (IGA/Economics), *California Agricultural Mechanization: Lessons From the Past and Prospects for the Future* from the Giannini Foundation at UC Davis
- Burkhard Schipper (Economics), *Games with Unawareness - Theory and Applications* from the National Science Foundation
- Vicki Smith (Sociology), *Counseling Kids: The World of High School Counselors* from the Spencer Foundation
- Ann Stevens (Economics), *Collaborative Research: How Does Knowledge Affect Behavior? The Role of Pension Knowledge in Retirement-Related Decisions* from the National Science Foundation
- J.E. Taylor (ARE), *Understanding the Role of Wheat in the Livelihoods of Farm Households in Rainfed Wheat Systems* from the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center
- J.E. Taylor (ARE), *Global Development Program – Mexico* from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation
- Elizabeth Zechmeister (Political Science), *Crises and Cooperation: A Cross-National, Experiment-Based Study* from UC's Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation

Other Institute Activities

The institute provides research support services, hosts visiting scholars from around the world, and conducts an active public affairs program – all in support of the campus social science community. A number of faculty participate in guiding IGA programs and helping to allocate IGA resources.

Research Services

IGA's research services consist of the IGA Library & Data Archive and the Social Science Data Service (SSDS).

Library & Data Archive

IGA Library & Data Archive staff provide research support to social science faculty and graduate students through data identification and acquisition, in-depth reference service, and targeted collection development. Staff are well versed in social science data and bibliographic sources, as well as the research interests of the faculty and students they serve. In 2007-2008, the Library & Data Archive served over 125 users from 14 departments across the campus and at UCDCM.

The IGA data archive maintains institutional memberships to the Roper Center for Public Opinion Research, the world's largest archive of survey data and the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), the premier social science data archive. Our support of these memberships allows users across the campus to access these resources free-of-charge. In 2007-2008 over 320 datasets valued at over \$145,000 were downloaded from these

two sources, an estimated savings of more than \$126,000 to campus users (over the cost of acquisition at non-member rates).

The Library and Data Archive also purchases a variety of data sources. In 2007-2008, the IGA Library and Data Archive users accessed local data holdings 90 times. Among the most heavily used items were *CPS Utilities(March Files)* from Unicon, *Direction of Trade* from the International Monetary Fund, *Field (California) Polls* from the Field Institute Academic Consortium, *U.S. Economic Data* from Haver Analytics, and the *Industrial Statistics Database (INDSTAT)* from UNIDO.

Social Science Data Service

The mission of the Social Science Data Service (SSDS) is to provide quantitative research computing support and supplementary computing resources for the affiliated departments of economics, political science, and sociology. The SSDS provides the affiliated departments with a research-oriented computing environment that takes advantage of economies of scale and shared computing resources. Additionally, SSDS provides research support to non-SSDS affiliated users as resources allow and administers two campuswide software licenses. The site licenses provide researchers with substantial savings over the regular academic pricing for these products.

The staff at SSDS have considerable expertise in general information technology as well as a specialization in quantitative methods in the social sciences. The majority of SSDS consulting questions are short term in nature, others are of an extended nature, requiring an hour or more to answer. The consulting service at SSDS is focused on assisting faculty and graduate students by making them more productive and providing technical assistance to overcome obstacles they may encounter in the course of their quantitative analyses. While SSDS sometimes deals with general computing issues, more often the staff address specialized quantitative social science computing concerns, including the use of the SSDS computing system (a mixed environment of personal computers and a central UNIX research application server), mathematical and statistical applications support, and other quantitative or computational research computing issues. SSDS also addresses data-related issues such as importing data from external sources or from the IGA Library & Data Archive collections. This year the SSDS statistical consultant continued to offer a popular series of workshops on quantitative computing issues.

For the 2007-08 year, the SSDS advisory committee members were Eric Grodsky (Sociology) Brad Jones (Political Science), Oscar Jorda (Economics); Bill McCarthy (Sociology), Ann Stevens (Economics) and Walt Stone (Political Science). In addition to advising on matters related to SSDS and quantitative computing, this group helped launch a new series of methodologically focused seminars and workshops, meant to fill the void left by the completion of the campuswide quantitative social science initiative.

Faculty Participation

More than 50 faculty from across the UC Davis campus participate in IGA research or public affairs programming, utilize IGA services (grants, data, computing, etc.), have recently benefited from IGA seed funding, conduct extramurally-funded research at IGA, serve on IGA committees, or are otherwise involved in the institute. In addition, the faculty noted below provide input and guidance for IGA programs and help to allocate IGA resources by serving on IGA advisory committees. In this reporting period, approximately 100 faculty representing all general UC campuses and a like number of faculty from non-UC campuses have participated in IGA sponsored programs and events including the activities of the All-UC Group Group in Economic History.

IGA Advisory Committee

Robert Huckfeldt, Chair	Political Science
Rand Conger	HCD
Marianne Page	Economics
Kimberlee Shauman	Sociology
Alan Taylor	History
Ed Taylor	ARE

EJS Program Committee

Marianne Page, Chair	Economics
Eric Grodsky	Sociology
Michal Kurlaender	Education
Kimberlee Shauman	Sociology
Randolph Siverson	Political Science
Ann Stevens	Economics

All-UC Group in Economic History Steering Committee

Alan Olmstead, Chair	Economics, UCD
R. Bin Wong	History, UCLA
Susan Carter	Economics, UCR
Gregory Clark	Economics, UCD
Brad DeLong	Economics, UCB
Jan DeVries	History & Econ, UCB
Barry Eichengreen	Economics, UCB
Bernard Elbaum	Economics, UCSC
Shawn Kantor	Economics, UCM
Naomi Lamoreaux	Economics, UCLA
John Majewski	History, UCSB
Gary Richardson	Economics, UCI
William Summerhill	History, UCLA
Richard Sutch	Econ & History, UCR
Alan Taylor	Economics, UCD
Daniel Vickers	History, UCSD

ICPSR Summer Program Committee

Eric Grodsky	Sociology
Brad Jones	Political Science

IGCC Steering Committee

Alan Olmstead, Chair	Campus IGCC Program Director
Paul Bergin	Economics
Gabriella Montinola	Political Science
Zeev Maoz	International Relations / Political Science

Junior Faculty Research Program Committee

John Scott, Chair	Political Science
Bill McCarthy	Sociology

SSDS Advisory Committee

Eric Grodsky	Sociology
Brad Jones	Political Science
Oscar Jorda	Economics
Bill McCarthy	Sociology
Ann Stevens	Economics
Walter Stone	Political Science

Visiting Scholars

IGA hosted a number of distinguished visitors who conducted research and/or presented their work at

Dissertation Awards Program

The IGA Dissertation Awards program is administered in cooperation with the Graduate Program Chairs in the participating departments, as listed below.

Jelmer Eerkins	Anthropology, Evolutionary Wing
Diane Felmlee	Sociology
John Scott	Political Science
Ann Stevens	Economics
Alan S. Taylor	History
Li Zhang	Anthropology, Socio- cultural Wing

events sponsored or cosponsored by IGA. Visitors in 2007-2008 included:

Eric Alterman, English, Brooklyn College; & CUNY
Philip Babcock, Economics, UC Santa Barbara
Marigee Bacolod, Economics, UC Irvine
Michael Bérubé, Literature, Penn State University
Marianne Bitler, Economics, UC Irvine
Severin Borenstein, Business, UC Berkeley
Wändi Bruine de Bruin, Decisions Sciences,
Carnegie Mellon
Moshe Buchinsky, Economics, UCLA
Christopher Carpenter, Economics, UC Irvine
Ha-Joon Chang, Economics & Politics, Cambridge
Giacomo Chiozza, Political Science, UC Berkeley
Tom Cook, Policy Research, Northwestern
Tyler Cowen, Economics, George Mason University
Lisa Crockett, Psychology, University of Nebraska
Julie Berry Cullen, Economics, UC San Diego
Creina Day, Australia National University
Suzie DeBoef, Political Science, Penn State
University
Bradford DeLong, Economics, UC Berkeley
Faisal Devji, History, New School for Social
Research
Carlos Dobkin, Economics, UC Santa Cruz
Eric Doidy, French National Institute for Agricultural
Research (France)
Arindrajit Dube, IRLE, UC Berkeley
Peter Euben, Political Science, Duke University
Ambassador Nabil Fahmy of Egypt
Robert Fairlie, Economics, UC Santa Cruz
Richard Falk, Global & International Studies, UCSB
Eva Fernandez Garcia, Universidad Pablo de
Olavide
Samuel Garrido, University Jaume
Jonathan Guryan, Economics, University of
Chicago
Kieran Healy, Sociology, University of Arizona
John Hibbing, Political Science, University of
Nebraska
David Jacks, Simon Fraser University
Brian Jacob, Economics, University of Michigan
Mireille Jacobson, Economics, UC Irvine
Maya Jasanoff, History, Harvard University

Martin Johnson, Political Science, UC Riverside
Peter Kuhn, Economics, UC Santa Barbara
Peter Mansoor, History, Ohio State University
Mindy Marks, Economics, UC Riverside
Joseph Massad, Middle East & Asian Languages &
Cultures, Columbia University
Ross Matsueda, Sociology, University of
Washington
Bhash Mazumder, Federal Reserve Bank of
Chicago
Rose McDermott, Political Science, UCSB
Nivedita Menon, Political Science, University of
Delhi
John Monterosso, Psychiatry, UCLA
Aamir Mufti, Comparative Literature, UCLA
Kevin O'Rourke, Trinity College, Dublin
Andrew Parker, RAND Corporation
D.S. Prasada Rao, University of Queensland
Ahmed Rahman, U.S. Naval Academy
Jack Rakove, History, American Studies, &
Political Science, Stanford University
Ronald Rapoport, Government, College of William
and Mary
Sean Reardon, Education & Sociology, Stanford
University
Michael Reich, Economics, UC Berkeley
Valerie Reyna, Human Development &
Psychology, Cornell University
Martina Rieker, Gender & Women's Studies,
American University in Cairo
Kenneth Schultz, Political Science, Stanford
Paul Sharpe, University of Copenhagen
William Skuban, History, CSU Fresno
Allan Stam, Political Science, University of
Michigan
Alexander Elu Teran, European University Institute
Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, History, Harvard University
Siva Vaidhyanathan, Media Studies & Law,
University of Virginia
Joachim Voth, Univeristat Pompeu Fabra
Wolfgang Wagner, Peace Research Institute,
Frankfurt, Germany
Jyh-Lin Wu, Fulbright Scholar
Yu Xie, Sociology, University of Michigan

Public Affairs

IGA strives to enrich the intellectual life of the campus through its public affairs and conference programs. The calendar below lists lectures, seminars, workshops, and conferences sponsored or cosponsored by IGA and its programs and centers.

IGA 2007-2008 Events Calendar

September

24 –25 **All-UC Labor Group Conference**
Economy, Justice and Society (EJS)

October

5 **The Enforcement Problem in Coercive Bargaining: Interstate Conflict over Rebel Support in Civil Wars**

Kenneth Shultz, Political Science, Stanford University
Conflict Processes Group (CPG)

18 **The Psychological Biases of Individual Investors**

Brad Barber, Graduate School of Management
Policy Watch Series

18 **Discover Your Inner Economist: Lessons in Economic Imperialism**

Tyler Cowen, Economics, George Mason University
Cosponsored with Center for History, Society, and Culture (CHSC) and the Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy (CEGE)

18 **Forum on Gregory Clark's A Farewell to Alms**

Gregory Clark, Economics; Tyler Cowen, Economics, George Mason University; Brad DeLong, Economics, UC Berkeley
Cosponsored with CHSC

19 – 20 **All-UC Group in Economic History Graduate Student Workshop**

Doubletree Hotel, Berkeley

22 **Challenges and Opportunities in the Creation of Arab-Israeli Peace and Dealing with Nuclear Non-Proliferation Issues: An Egyptian Perspective**

Nabil Fahmy, Egyptian Ambassador

22 **Living with the Founders**

Jack Rakove, History and American Studies, Stanford University
Pulitzer Prize Winners in History Lecture

24 **Reflections on the California Legislative Scene: An End of Session Wrap-Up**

Lois Wolk, California State Assembly, 8th District
Policy Watch Seminar

26 **Indian Gaming Forum**

Center for State and Local Taxation (CSLT)

31 **Well-Behaved Women Seldom Make History**

Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, History, Harvard University
Pulitzer Prize Winners in History Lecture

November

2 **Introduction to UNIX**

John Daniels, Social Science Data Service (SSDS)
SSDS Seminars & Workshops

11 **The Fall and Rise of American Liberalism**

Eric Alterman, English, Brooklyn College and Journalism, CUNY
Cosponsored with CHSC

9 **Prenatal Nutrition and Adult Outcomes: The Effect of Maternal Fasting during Ramadan**

Bhash Mazumder, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
EJS Seminar

9 **Stata Basics**

John Daniels, SSDS
SSDS Seminars & Workshops

14 **Middle East Trends -- Crises and Opportunities**

Zeev Maoz, Political Science

- Policy Watch Seminar
- 16 ***Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC) Fellowship and Grant Workshop***
- 19 ***Population Heterogeneity and Causal Inference***
Yu Xie, Sociology, University of Michigan
EJS Seminar
- 28 -- 29 ***Conference on Rights Talk and Rights Work in the Middle East and South Asia***
MESA Conference, cosponsored with Office of Research, IGCC, University Outreach and International Programs, Center for Human Rights in the Americas, School of Law
- 29 ***Last Best Gifts: The Economics and Ethics of Organ Donation***
Kieran Healy, Sociology, University of Arizona
Cosponsored with CHSC
- 30 ***Does Professor Quality Matter? Evidence of Random Assignments of Students to Professors***
Scott Carrell, Economics, UC Davis
EJS Seminar
- January
- 9 ***Lines in the Sand: Nationalism and Identity on the Peruvian-Chilean Frontier***
William Skuban, History, Fresno State University
Cosponsored Hemispheric Institute of the Americas (HIA)
- 11 ***Roundtable Discussion on Integrated Methodological Training in the Social Sciences***
Suzie DeBoeuf, Political Science, Penn State University
- 30 ***A Look at the UC Budget and the State's Fiscal Picture in 2008***
Bill Lockyer, California State Treasurer
- February
- 4 ***Picking the Winners: Who's Going to Win and Why on Super Tuesday***
Benjamin Highton, Political Science
Policy Watch Seminar
- 8 ***Beyond Heritability: The Physiological Differences between Liberals and Conservatives***
John Hibbing, Political Science, University of Nebraska
Decisionmaking, Communication and Uncertainty (DCU) Seminar
- 8 ***Three Conditions under which Observational Studies and Randomized Experiments Sharing the Same Intervention Group Regularly Recreate Similar Causal Estimates: LaLonde Revisited Twenty Years Later***
Tom Cook, Sociology, Psychology, Education and Social Policy, Northwestern University
EJS Seminar
- 15 ***Computational Cognitive Politics: Applying a High-Dimensional Cognitive Model to Political Psychology and Communication***
Martin Johnson, Political Science, UC Riverside
DCU Seminar
- 15 ***Sex Differences in a Simulated Crisis Game***
Rose McDermott, Political Science, UC Santa Barbara
CPG Seminar
- 19 ***Understanding the 1994 Rwandan Genocide***
Allan Stam, Political Science, University of Michigan
CPG Seminar
- 28 ***Neuroeconomics of Decision-Making and Self-Control***
John R. Monterosso, Psychiatry, UCLA
DCU, Cosponsored with Psychology
- March
- 5 ***The New Deal at 75***
Eric Rauchway, History
Policy Watch Seminar
- 7 ***Programming with Stata***
John Daniels, SSDS
SSDS Seminars & Workshops
- 12 ***Confessions of a Nominatrix: Why Contentious Nomination Campaigns Are Good for the Parties' Health***
Ronald Rapoport, Government, College of William and Mary

- Policy Watch Seminar
- 15 ***Democracy, Peace and the Internationalization of Security Politics***
Wolfgang Wagner, Peace Research Institute, Frankfurt, Germany
CPG Seminar
- April
- 8 ***My Six-Year-Old Son Should Get a Job: What is Wrong with the Free Trade Orthodoxy?***
Ha-Joon Chang, Economics and Politics, University of Cambridge
Cosponsored with CHSC and CEGE
- 8 ***Panel Data Methods for Microeconometrics Using Stata***
Colin Cameron, Economics
SSDS Seminars & Workshops
- 10 – 12 ***Business History Conference Annual Meeting: Expanding Connections for Business History***
Cosponsored with California State Railroad Museum and California State University Sacramento
- 14 ***Thirteen Ways of Looking at the Black-White Test Score Gap***
Sean Reardon, Education, Stanford University
EJS Seminar
- 15 ***Empires and Diasporas***
Maya Jasanoff, History, Harvard University
Cosponsored with CHSC
- 22 ***What We Talk about when We Talk about Privacy: The Politics of Mass Surveillance and Profiling***
Siva Vaidhyanathan, Media Studies and Law, University of Virginia
Cosponsored with CHSC
- 25 ***STATA Basics***
John Daniels, SSDS
SSDS Seminars & Workshops
- 30 ***Reforming Reforms: Mexico's Rural Development Policy***
J Edward Taylor, ARE
Policy Watch Seminar
- May
- 2 ***Perspectives on Financial Globalization and Adjustment***
CEGE Conference
- 2 ***Prejudice and the Economics of Discrimination***
Jonathan Guryan, Economics, University of Chicago
EJS Seminar
- 2 ***UNIX Basics***
John Daniels, SSDS
SSDS Seminars & Workshops
- 6 ***The Left since 9/11: What Happened to Cultural Studies?***
Michael Berube, Literature, Pennsylvania State University,
Cosponsored with CHSC
- 7 ***The Market Value and Cost of Solar Photovoltaic Electricity Production***
Severin Borenstein, Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley
Policy Watch Seminar
- 9 ***Who Supports Suicide Bombing?***
Giacomo Chiozza, Political Science, UC Berkeley
CPG Seminar
- 9 ***Socrates in the Streets***
Peter Euben, Political Science, Duke University
Richard Sinopoli Lecture
Cosponsored with Political Science
- 13 ***The Effect of Employment Protection on Productivity: Evidence from Public School Dismissal Policy***
Brian A. Jacob, Economics, University of Michigan
EJS Seminar
- 13 ***Fulbright Scholar Program Workshop***
- 16 ***Conference on Adolescent Decision-making and Uncertainty***
EJS
- 23 – 25 ***Crises and Prosperity in Comparative Economic History: All-UC Spring 2008 Conference***

30 All UC Group in Economic History
The Huntington Library and California Institute of Technology
From Vietnam to Iraq, How Counterinsurgency Doctrine has Changed
Peter Mansoor, History, Ohio State University
Cosponsored with History

June
16 –19 ***Summer Tax Institute***
Center for State and Local Taxation
20 – 21 ***Workshop: Tracking the Hidden Developmental State***
Cosponsored with Institute for International Studies, UC Berkeley