Welcome back CIS community!

SPRING 2014 Schedule of Events

CIS is excited to announce our schedule of events for this semester! We are transitioning from a focus on individual seminars to theme-based panels of scholars. Please continue to check CIS weekly announcements or website for more in-depth information about each event. Feel free to contact us with any other questions you may have. Look forward to seeing you soon!

Please save the dates!

Friday, January 31

"Possible Futures for Japan"
2:30-5:00pm, Location: Davidson Conference Center, Board Room

USC-SSCR Symposium
Participants: Saori N. Katada (USC), Gene Park (LMU), William J. Siembieda (Cal Poly San Luis Obispo), Lawrence Repeta (Meiji University), T. J. Pempel (Berkeley), Lieba Faier (UCLA), Frank Baldwin (Former SSRC Program Director)

Wednesday, February 12

Jessica Weeks, University of Wisconsin-Madison
12:30-2:00pm, Location: SOS B40

Publishing in IR series
Topic TBA (research interests: domestic and international politics of authoritarian regimes, public opinion about foreign policy)

Wednesday, February 19

T.V Paul, McGill University
3:00-4:30pm, Location: VKC 300A

"The Warrior State: Pakistan in the Contemporary World"

Thursday, February 20
Marijke Breuning, University of North Texas and Co-Editor, *American Political Science Review*

12:30-2:00pm, Location:SOS B40

**Publishing in IR series**

Topic TBA (foreign policy analysis, development cooperation, women/gender and politics, the politics of intercountry adoption)

**Tuesday, February 25**

“International Security, Foreign Policy and Psychology: The State of the Art”

12:00-2:30pm, Location:SOS B40

Participants: Jonathan Mercer (University of Washington), Marcus Holmes (Fordham University), Joslyn Trager (Wesleyan University), Brian Rathbun (USC). More info TBA

**Thursday, February 27**

Giacomo Chiozza, Vanderbilt University

12:30-2:00pm, Location:SOS B40

Topic TBA (research interests: attitudes towards U.S. power, study of political leaders in conflict processes)

**Friday, February 28**

“A New Era in Cultural Diplomacy: Rising Soft Power in Emerging Markets”

8:15am-4:00pm, Location:Annenberg Auditorium

USC Center on Public Diplomacy 2014 Annual Conference

Co-sponsored by the USC Center for International Studies

**Thursday, March 6**

"The Scholars' Circle" Panel

12:30-2:00pm, Location: SOS B40

Topic TBA (organized by Maria Armoudian, USC)

**Monday, March 10**

“International Relations and Comparative Politics: Intersections in Security Studies”

12:00-2:30pm, Location: Tutor Campus Center, Room 232

Participants: Todd Sechser (University of Virginia), Scott Gartner (Penn State University), Matt Gratias (USC). More info TBA

**Tuesday, March 12 & Wednesday, March 13**

Graduate Student Presentations for International Studies Association (ISA) Conference 2014

12:00-2:00pm, Location: SOS B40

Presenters: Scott Wilbur, Cyrus Mohammadian, Keira Stearns, Tom Jamieson, Eric Hamilton, Ronan Tse-min Fu & Mark Paradis, Mengxiao “Phoebe” Tang, Rod Albuyeh. More info TBA

**Monday, April 7**
“New Horizons in FDI”
12:00-2:30pm, Location: Tutor Campus Center, Room 232
Participants: Allison Kingsley (University of Vermont), Benjamin A.T. Graham (USC), Stephan Haggard (UCSD), Joshua Aizenman (USC), Andrew Coe (USC). More info TBA

Wednesday, April 16
USC-Baylor Exchange Series: Foreign Policy Panel
12:00-2:00pm, Location: SOS B40
Participants: Eric Fleury (Baylor University), Eric Hamilton (USC), Mauricio Rivera Celestino (USC)

Thursday, April 18 & Friday, April 19
More info TBA, Location: Davidson Conference Center
Workshop organized by Joshua Aizenman & Robert Dekle (USC), and co-sponsored by the Journal of International Money and Finance and USC School of International Relations

Wednesday, April 30 (tentative)
CIS End of Year Reception
Time & Location TBA
CIS cordially invites you to a reception celebrating the end of the 2013-2014 academic year.

Friday, May 2 & Saturday, May 3
"CIS Junior Scholars’ Research Symposium"

More info TBA, Location: SOS B40
Conference organized by Nukhet Sandal (Ohio University) and Patrick James (USC). Featured postdoctoral fellows: Michal Ben-Josef Hirsch (Harvard University), Timothy Junio (Stanford University), Mauricio Rivera Celestino (USC), Thomas Zeitzoff (Princeton University), Noelle Brigden (Brown University).

Thursday, May 9 - Saturday, May 11
3rd Annual IFJP Conference: “Gender and Crises in Global Politics”
More info TBA, Location: Davidson Conference Center
Organized by Laura Sjoberg (University of Florida), and co-sponsored by the International Feminist Journal of Politics and USC School of International Relations