

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



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## Recently Published

Ronald Keith Gaddie and John William Shapard. 2010. Oklahoma: Red State Rising. In Charles S. Bullock, III and Mark Rozell (eds.) *The New Politics of the Old South (4th)*. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield Press.

## KNOWN MEETINGS

August 19: 3:30-5 p.m. Kennedy's Dissertation Defense  
August 21: 9-11 a.m. GTA Orientation  
August 21: 1-4 p.m. Graduate Student Orientation  
August 24: First Day of Classes  
August 28: 12:30-1:30 p.m. Faculty Meeting

## DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

Congratulations to **Amy Goodin** on the \$55,000 from the Health Sciences Center (state flow-through) for your research project titled "FY 2010 Tobacco Help-line Evaluation Contract."

The **Back-to-School Social** for faculty, staff, and graduate students will be Friday, August 21, from 4:00-5:30 p.m. at Coach's in downtown Norman. Pizza and beverages will be provided.

Friday, October 16, 2009, has been designated as the **2009 Fall Student Holiday**. Offices on campus will be open. This date is subject to final review by Student Congress.

**Faculty Enrichment Proposals** are due to Greg by Tuesday, August 25. Please send proposals via email to [grussell@ou.edu](mailto:grussell@ou.edu) and copy [cbrister@ou.edu](mailto:cbrister@ou.edu). For detailed submission of guidelines, please visit the College of Arts & Sciences' web page: [http://casweb.ou.edu/home/faculty/funding/funding\\_enrichment.html](http://casweb.ou.edu/home/faculty/funding/funding_enrichment.html)

We all want to thank Cathy Brister and Jeane Hardy for making possible an outstanding retirement party for Debbie Deering. A good time was had by all!

The University of Oklahoma's **Carl Albert Center** offers free photocopy grants to graduate and undergraduate students at OU and other universities. For each student awarded a photocopy grant, the Center will waive charges for copies made from the collections of the Center's Congressional Archives. These grants are awarded only for work on discrete end products, including but not limited to theses, dissertations, journal articles, and conference papers). All graduate and undergraduate students are invited to submit applications. There is no application form. Instead a series of documents should be sent to the Center: description of the research proposal in 1000 words or less, personal vita, explanation of how the Center's resources will be of assistance to the applicant, and letter of reference from a faculty supervisor attesting to the significance of the research. There are no deadlines, and applications are accepted at any time. They should be sent to: Archivist, Carl Albert Center, 630 Parrington Oval, Room 101, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019. For further information, call (405) 325-5835. Email: [cacarchives@ou.edu](mailto:cacarchives@ou.edu)

If you have an item you would like listed in the *Announcements*, email Cathy at [cbrister@ou.edu](mailto:cbrister@ou.edu) by 8:00 a.m. each Tuesday.

## UNIVERSITY NEWS

On behalf of Dr. Nancy Mergler, the memorandum on Religious Holidays is available at the following URL address:

<http://www.ou.edu/provost/pronew/content/memorand.html>

The University of Oklahoma is required to provide employment statistics to the federal government on an annual basis. To ensure accurate and complete reporting, the Office of Equal Opportunity invites you to update your veteran status. Your participation is voluntary and your information will be kept confidential as required by federal and state law. Your veteran status will be maintained in your personnel file and will only be reported to the authorized federal agency in a summary format. No individual identification will be included in the report. Should you decide not to participate at this time, you may do so at any time in the future. To participate, go to <https://hr.ou.edu/certify/default.asp> and log in. It only takes four minutes and you will receive an email notice when you have updated your information. If you want to be counted in this year's veteran's update, you will need to provide your selection by August 15, 2009. Thank you for your consideration. Please direct your questions about this process to the Office of Equal Opportunity ( Norman Campus: Melinda Hall at [mhall@ou.edu](mailto:mhall@ou.edu) / OUHSC Campus: Carole Call at [carole-call@ouhsc.edu](mailto:carole-call@ouhsc.edu) )

Please download the memo from the "Instructional and Curricular Issues" section of the Provost's web page, or download directly from the URL address below:

<http://www.ou.edu/provost/pronew/content/HOLIDAY09.pdf>

BlueCross BlueShield (BCBS) has mailed updated insurance ID cards to the home addresses of all benefits eligible employees enrolled in BCBS. If you do not receive your new card by August 7, 2009, you should call BlueCross at 1-888-881-4648. The new cards use your Health ID number (990+EMPL ID) as your insurance ID number and replace your existing cards. When you receive your new card, please destroy the old one. If you need additional copies of your new ID card for dependents, you can request them by calling BlueCross or by using Blue Access for Members at ([www.bcbsok.com/OU/](http://www.bcbsok.com/OU/)). You should provide a copy of the new ID card to your doctor or pharmacist on your next visit. This is only an ID number update. Nothing else about your coverage has changed. This does not represent any change in the plan year or in your current benefits. If you have any questions, please contact BlueCross (1-888-881-4648) or your campus Benefits Office at [ohr@ou.edu](mailto:ohr@ou.edu) or ([www.hr.ou.edu/directory.asp](http://www.hr.ou.edu/directory.asp)).

## JOBS

The Department of Political Science in the College of Liberal Arts at Rochester Institute of Technology seeks to hire, for Fall 2010, a tenure-track Assistant Professor in International Relations/Comparative Politics, with an area emphasis in the politics of Europe, and an emphasis on international security. Applicants should be able to teach a range of courses, including Introduction to International Relations, Comparative Politics, and other areas of competence of the candidate. ALL APPLICANTS MUST APPLY ONLINE at <http://mycareer.rit.edu>, under position number

IRC30803. Candidates should submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and the names and address of three references. These materials must be submitted through the online procedure. Applications sent directly to the department will not be considered. (Contact [mycareer@rit.edu](mailto:mycareer@rit.edu) for technical assistance.)