

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Recently Published

Aimee L. Franklin, Alfred T. Ho, Carol Ebcon.
"Participatory Budgeting in Midwestern States:
Democratic Connection or Citizen
Disconnection?" *Public Budgeting & Finance* 29,
3 (Fall 2009) 52-73.

KNOWN MEETINGS

Mon., Sept. 28, 1:30-3:00 p.m. Jatkowski's prospectus
defense
Fri., Oct. 2, 11:30-12:30 p.m. Faculty Meeting
Mon., Oct. 5, 12-1:00 p.m. Brown Bag with Ginger
Elliott-Teague

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

This fall **Allen Hertzke** is guest scholar at the Bookings Institution in Washington DC to conduct a Templeton-funded project on freedom of conscience and religion around the world. In the spring Hertzke will be on sabbatical to complete research for a book on religious lobbies and looks forward to returning to teaching at OU next fall.

Congratulations to **Alisa Hicklin** on the \$70,000 from the William T. Grant Foundation for your research project titled "The Effect of Political and Organizational Contexts on Minority Student Access and Success in American Public Four-Year Universities."

Fall Picnic
Friday, September 25
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Andrews Park

Congratulations to **Amy Goodin** on receiving funding for the project from the State of Oklahoma's Department of Education. The College of Arts & Science's Fall Convocation will be held on Friday, December 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lloyd Noble Center.

The next faculty meeting has been scheduled for **Friday, October 2, at 11:30 a.m.** in the conference room.

Textbook orders are due to Jeane by October 15. Please email the title, author, publisher, and ISBN to Jeane at jeanehardy@ou.edu.

The library fliers this fall will feature web-based resources designed to help you work more efficiently and effectively. You may also become more knowledgeable about some resources undergraduate students are finding and using for their coursework. Please contact **Karen Rupp-Serrano** at krs@ou.edu if you have questions or want to suggest topics for future library fliers. The last two flyers are attached to this email.

A summary of important OU Norman Campus procedures related to various emergency situations is located here:
<http://www.ou.edu/provost/procedures/>.

Dean Bell is pleased to announce that Dr. Rhonda Dean-Kyncl has accepted the position of Assistant Dean for A&S Academic Services, effective Monday, September 14. She fills the vacancy created when Dr. Joyce Allman accepted the new position of Associate Provost for Academic Advising.

Please mark your calendars for the A&S Fall Faculty Meeting on Wednesday, October 7 at 4 p.m. in Nielsen Hall, Room 270. The Dean will recognize this year's Kinney-Sugg recipient as well as the new faculty members in the College of Arts & Sciences. The meeting will be followed by food and drink on the plaza and in Ellison Hall.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

The OU Women's Volleyball team will be hosting a Leukemia Awareness Night on Wednesday, September 30, at 6:00 p.m. in the McCasland Field House. OU will be plying Nebraska. A ticket for the match (\$8 for adults and \$5 for youth) and a minimum donation of \$10 are required. Head Football Coach Bob Stoops and Head Women's Basketball Coach Sherri Coale will sign autographs from 6:00-6:30 p.m. All donations go towards the fight against leukemia.

In conjunction with Constitution Day, September 17th, Oklahoma Campus Compact is sponsoring an essay and video contest for students on Civic Responsibility. The theme is based on President David Boren's book, *A Letter to America*. Attached you will find a color flyer which we hope you will disseminate to all interested students. The contest theme is My Letter to America. Entrants are asked to address one of the following ideas: What Civic Responsibility Means to Me: My Duties as a Citizen, How Knowledge of United States History and Government Can be Advanced, or Why Bipartisanship is Important to Democracy. Prizes include three autographed copies of President Boren's book: one to the best essay, one to the best video, and one to the overall best in any format (can also be art, powerpoint, etc). The deadline for submissions is October 19th, with the prizes awarded November 6th at the 2009 Oklahoma Political Science Association Contest.

Are you at risk for Metabolic Syndrome? How would you like to improve your biometric results (e.g., blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose, etc.) and lose weight? Starting in October, OU Healthy Sooners and BlueCross BlueShield will offer a 10-week program which can provide you with tools to help you lose weight, reduce stress, increase exercise, and improve your health. The program also addresses the precursors to heart disease, diabetes, stroke and a number of other conditions. Go here (http://healthysooners.ouhsc.edu/BCBC_rewards.asp) for more information and to get the application form. This valuable program is brought to you at no cost by OU Healthy Sooners. Applications are due September 29th.

Periodically, OU reviews their emergency response plans to ensure that our system is current and effective. Knowing about potentially dangerous behavior is critical to our being able to assess if a threat may be present. As faculty and staff working directly with members of the university community, and those visiting our university, you are in the best position to notice any unusual or concerning behavior that may pose a threat. Certainly, if you observe any behavior that may constitute a current or imminent threat, immediately contact the University of Oklahoma Police Department by calling 911. If you observe unusual behavior that concerns you, but does not rise to the level of contacting the police, please discuss your concerns at the earliest possible time with the Vice President for Student Affairs, Clarke Stroud, or the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Susan Sasso. Both can be reached by calling 325-3161. Any information provided will be appropriately reviewed and a report and recommendation on the matter will be made to me. Please be assured that all information will be handled with the utmost sensitivity and discretion and with all due regard for constitutional and legal safeguards.

Crimson, Cream, and GREEN

DID YOU KNOW. . .

- Using electronic post-it notes saves money on expensive post-its, uses less paper, and you can set timers for reminders
- Using a small white board to write short notes, phone number, etc saves money and uses less paper (initial investment of \$9-\$12 per whiteboard)
- Using your scrap single-sided print jobs as note pads saves money and paper

Do you have a green tip? Email Cathy at cbrister@ou.edu.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Office of Education Abroad and the Italian Exchange Committee at the University of Oklahoma seeks proposals from OU faculty members to teach a summer course on the *Journey to Italy* program in June 2010 in Arezzo (40 km south of Florence). Interested faculty should propose a course that brings together their discipline with an Italian subject, although great latitude will be given on the course subject. The course is taught in Arezzo and the faculty member will be paid for teaching, travel expenses, as well as some per diem support. Please indicate if you would be interested in teaching a version of your course during an intercession term (January or May). Questions about the proposals should be directed to Professor Jason Houston at jason.houston@ou.edu. General Requirements: OU Faculty Member, ability to stay in Italy for the duration of the program (approximately the month of June, 2010), international teaching/research/travel experience, not necessarily in Italy (preferred), ability to teach a course that is applicable to a broad spectrum of students. This course would need to be passed through PACGEO and be approved as an Upper Division, Western Civilization Course. Documents to be submitted include a cover letter, detailing initiative and course details, CV, two paragraph course synopsis and suggested reading list, and letter of support from department chair/dean. Deadline for submissions is October 9, 2009. Please send all application documents to: Alice Kloker, Education Abroad, 640 Parrington Oval, Old Science Hall, Room 223, kloker@ou.edu, 405-325-3352.

UACES is offering travel grants (up to £4,000) to PhD students who need to do field-work in 2010. Full details can be found at: <http://www.uaces.org/awards/scholarships/>. The deadline to apply is 5 October 2009. The grants are awarded on a competitive basis. The project is co-funded by the European Commission.

Call for Papers for the 68th MPSA National Conference, April 22 - 25, 2010, Chicago. Proposal Submission Deadline: October 9, 2009. Check out the website for more information: www.mpsanet.org/submitaproposal.

The application for the Fall 2009 Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP) is now available at the University of Oklahoma Honors College website; <http://www.ou.edu/honors/FA09app.pdf>. You are encouraged to have a look and consider working with your talented students toward this opportunity. Note, too, that this program is open to all OU undergraduates. Participants need not be Honors Students to apply.

Proposal deadlines are approaching for the WSSA and MPSA

Call for Proposals for Public Finance and Budgeting, A Section of the Western Social Science Association (WSSA) Conference. The co-coordinators are Michael Moody and Dan Smith. The 52nd Annual WSSA Conference will be April 14-17, 2010, in Reno, Nevada. Proposals are due: December 1, 2009. To submit a proposal, include the following: paper or panel title, name, affiliation, address, telephone number, and e-mail address for author(s) abstract(s), not to exceed 200 words each. Paper/panel proposals (include 3-4 papers & moderator/discussant for a panel proposal) must be received by December 1, 2009. Send proposals to Dan Smith at daniel.smith@nyu.edu. Please include "WSSA PFB" in the email subject line.

Looking for a venue for your current research? The Western Social Science Association, Public Administration Section, would like to take this opportunity to invite you to participate in the April 14-17, 2010 meeting of the Association. As an organization, the WSSA is committed to multi-disciplinary and interdisciplinary scholarship, service, and collegiality. In April of each year, 900 or more social scientists gather for the Association's annual conference. At a typical conference, held over three and one-half days, participants organized in some 30 sections and affiliated groups present 900 papers at 300 disciplinary and interdisciplinary panel sessions. For your convenience a list of sections and affiliates is located on our web site at <http://wssa.asu.edu>.

JOB

The Department of Political Science at invites applicants and nominations for a tenure-track appointment at the assistant professor level beginning August 15, 2010. The successful candidate will teach classes in our NASPAA-accredited MPA program and the undergraduate political science department. A doctorate in political science, public administration, or a related field is preferred, but full consideration will be given to candidates who are ABD. Areas of specialization are open, but competency to teach in the MPA core curriculum is required. Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications. Applicants should send an electronic version of the following materials to the PA search Committee via Committee Chair Dr. William P. McLean (wmclean@astate.edu): letter of application; teaching evaluations; c.v; three letters of recommendation. A complete application will also require applicants to formally register on the ASU External Employment site, at <https://jobs.astate.edu>. Review of applications will begin immediately with interviews beginning as soon as Nov. 1, 2009

Oklahoma House of Representatives is seeking a full-time, professional, nonpartisan research analyst. Background in education policy preferred. Primary duties include staffing committees and conducting research for legislators. Overtime required during legislative session. Masters degree preferred. Application deadline- Sept. 28, 2009. Send resume and writing sample to Angela Breath-Razor, Human Resources Manager, Oklahoma House of Representatives, State Capitol, OKC, OK 73105. EOE.

Oklahoma House of Representatives is seeking a full-time, professional, nonpartisan GIS Coordinator. Primary duties include: acquiring data, developing and maintaining GIS databases; administering hardware, GIS software, and peripheral equipment; advising House staff and House leadership on GIS acquisitions and maintenance. Proficiency with ArcGIS software required, familiarity with Adobe CS preferred. Masters degree preferred. Overtime required during legislative session. Application deadline- September 28, 2009. Send resume to Angela Breath-Razor, Human Resources Officer, Oklahoma House of Representatives, State Capitol, OKC, OK 73105.

The Department of Public Administration at the University of Texas at San Antonio invites applicants for a position at either the assistant or associate level beginning Fall 2010. Applicants must submit a letter of application; vita; names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three references; one or two article-length manuscripts or other samples of research and writing; and teaching evaluations (if available) to: Faculty Search Committee Chair, Department of Public Administration, University of Texas at San Antonio, 501 W. Durango, Blvd., San Antonio, Texas, 78207. Initial review of applicants will begin October 1, 2009.

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