Important Dates:

**Moral Injury and Veterans Symposium**
TODAY! September 15 @ 8:30am – 4:30pm in the McLaren Conference Center

**Politics Forum: Immigration Justice**
with Supervisor Eric Mar
(1st Politics Forum of the Year)
September 28 @ 3:00 – 4:30pm in the Getty Study, Lo Schiavo Center

Student Opportunities:

- Meeting of the Minds 2015 Hackathon – Oct. 17-21
- **Advocacy**: Riley Center Survivor Advocate Training (Sept. 28)
- **Summer 2016 Internship**: U.S. Department of State Student Internship Program
- **Summer 2016 Program**: Public Policy and International Affairs Program (PPIA) Junior Summer Institute (Nov. 1)
- **Summer 2016 Program**: Public Policy and International Affairs Program (PPIA) Fellowship (Nov. 1)

Upcoming Events:
This section of the Politics Newsletter lists weekly events on and off campus that are related to politics, curated for you. Check them out!

**Moral Injury and Veterans Symposium**
Tuesday, September 15, 2015 @ 8:30 am – 4:30 pm at the USF McLaren Conference Center

Veterans who have participated in or witnessed intense human suffering and violence may experience moral injury, which extends beyond psychological effects to a veteran’s spiritual, emotional, and social belief system. This has a major impact on veterans’ mental health and their interactions with loved ones, community, and service providers.

The symposium will provide an opportunity for educators, students, primary and behavioral health providers, faith-based communities, advocates and veterans to examine this multi-layered framework; through presentations, panels, and facilitated
discussions. Attendees will increase their understanding of this profound wound and become culturally and trauma-informed advocates for veterans.

This event is hosted by Swords to Plowshares’ Institute for Veteran Policy and the University of San Francisco’s Peace & Justice Studies Program and Leo T. McCarthy Center for Public Service & the Common Good. Presenters include:

- James Beneda – Iraq veteran (US Army) and PhD candidate, UC Santa Cruz
- Michael Blecker – Vietnam veteran, Executive Director at Swords to Plowshares
- Paul Cox – Vietnam veteran, Veterans for Peace and Swords to Plowshares Board Member
- Dyan Ferguson – Honoring the Path of the Warrior
- Fr. Paul Fitzgerald – University of San Francisco President
- Starlyn Lara – Iraq veteran (US Army), Women Veteran Program Manager at Swords to Plowshares
- Ken MacLeish – Assistant Professor of Medicine, Health, and Society and Anthropology at Vanderbilt College of Arts and Science
- Geoff Millard – Iraq veteran (US Army), Policy Associate, Swords to Plowshares
- Delores Mondragon – indigenous woman veteran, PhD candidate at UC Santa Barbara
- Eli Painted Crow – indigenous woman veteran (US Army)
- Susan Pangelinan – veteran, Behavioral Health Agency Coordinator for the California National Guard
- Kathleen Pierce – Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Oakland Vet Center
- Elizabeth Stinson – Executive Director Trauma Assessment Project
- Paul Sullivan – Gulf War veteran (US Army), Deputy Secretary Communications and Public Affairs for the California Department of Veterans Affairs
- Fred Tittle – US Marine Corps Chaplain (Ret)

**Six (6) continuing education credits are available for:**
MFT, LPCC, LEP, and LCSW professionals licensed in California.

If interested, a full agenda for the symposium can be found [online](#) with a link to register for the event.

**“The Head of Joaquin Murrieta” Film Screening**
*Tuesday, September 15, 2015 @ 12:45 – 2:30 pm in Kalmanovitz Hall 267*

For over a decade filmmaker John J. Valadez searched for the remains of Joaquin Murrieta, a legendary Mexican outlaw who blazed a trial of revenge and rebellion following the theft of his land, and the rape and murder of his wife. In the summer of 1853 he was killed by bounty hunters who put his head in a jar and displayed it across California, charging people a dollar to see their trophy. One hundred and sixty-two years later, Valadez is convinced he finally has the head. So together they embark on a quixotic, cross-country road trip through history, memory, and myth to bury the head of Joaquin Murrieta, and finally lay to rest a dark and troubled past-one that has chilling parallels with the filmmaker’s own family story. The Head of Joaquin Murrieta is an irreverent, entertaining and often disturbing tale that uses both fiction and documentary
story telling devices to tear open a painful and long ignored history: the lynching of Mexican Americans in the south west.

*Event sponsored by the Department of Modern & Classical Languages. For more information, please contact Valerie Marckwordt at vmarckwordt@usfca.edu.*

**Davies Forum: San Francisco Displacement**  
**Wednesday, September 16, 2015 @ 5:00 – 8:00 pm in the Maraschi Room, Fromm Hall**

A Lecture by **Fernando Marti** (San Francisco Council of Community Housing Organizations); this lecture was previously scheduled to be given by James Tracy, however due to scheduling conflicts Fernando Marti will be giving the lecture. The topic remains the same.

This Fall’s Davies Forum on Displacements begins with the discussion of current local displacements in San Francisco, specifically focusing on local housing wars. Fernando Marti will discuss the current crisis through housing and land use policies.

**Fernando Marti** has served on the Board of Directors of Urban Ecology and the editorial board of the Planning Network. He currently works at Council of Community Housing Organizations in San Francisco. He is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley with a joint degree in architecture and city planning.

*The event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. For more information please contact Gerard Kuperus (gkuperus@usfca.edu).*

**This Bridge Called My Back (MFA Co-Sponsored Reading)**  
**Wednesday, September 16, 2015 @ 7:00 – 9:00 pm in Xavier Auditorium, Fromm Hall**

Join us to celebrate the fourth edition of *This Bridge Called My Back: Writings by Radical Women of Color*, co-edited by Cherrie Moraga and Gloria Anzaldúa. Readers and participants will include: Cherrie Moraga, Nellie Wong, Ginny Lim, Barbara Noda, Max Valeri, Andrea Canaan, Celia Herrera Rodriguez, Happy L. Hyder, and Huleah Tsinhnahjinnie.

*This event is co-sponsored by the MFA in Writing Program.*

**USF Constitution Day**  
**Thursday, September 17, 2015 @ 2:30 – 4:00 pm in McLaren Conference Center 250**

**Diversity Talks at USF**  
**Who is American?**
Understanding the Debate Over Birthright Citizenship
With the presidential campaign debates overrunning the media, a central issue has become the candidates’ view on immigration and citizenship in the United States. While the topic may seem particularly salient today, the root of this heated discussion goes back to the 1600s. Since then it has profoundly encompassed issues of diversity and inclusion.

Join John Trasvina, Dean of the USF School of Law, as he discusses the present day importance of two landmark cases regarding the 14th Amendment to the Constitution with a focus on the role that two United States Supreme Court decisions involving San Franciscans have played on the development of our notions of equality and “Who Is American.”

With an introduction by Supervisor Katy Tang, San Francisco District 4 Supervisor.

The Hebrew Mamita – Slam poet and Sephardi Jew Vanessa Hidary on the Complexity of Jewish Identity

_Thursday, September 17, 2015 @ 6:00 – 8:30 pm in the Maraschi Room, Fromm Hall_

Growing up in the cultural diversity of New York City, artist Vanessa Hidary’s experiences as a Sephardic Jew with close friends from different ethnic and religious backgrounds inspired her to write a number of acclaimed poems and stories, and create powerful shows, including the nationally toured “Culture Bandit.” She has also had multiple appearances on Russell Simmons’ “Def Poetry Jam” on HBO, was featured in the award winning film “The Tribe,” and recently directed “Kaleidoscope,” an ebbing of monologues featuring Jews of racial and ethnic diversity.

_CO-sponsored by the Department of Theology and Religious Studies and Program in Performing Arts and Social Justice_

Pink Globalization: Hello Kitty’s Trek Across the Pacific

_Tuesday, September 22, 2015 @ 5:00 – 6:30 pm in the Berman Room, Fromm Hall_

Hello Kitty, a Japanese character figure and logo most popular with girls of all ages, has made significant inroads in American culture through its disarming cuteness, clever design, and widespread distribution. Rather than a fad, the popularity of Hello Kitty has become a long-lasting phenomenon in the U.S. that began with Asian American communities and extended to other ethnic groups (particularly Hispanics) and the general public. The impact of Hello Kitty rests in “pink globalization”—the rise of cute culture from Japan—demonstrating the power of the girl as a consumer force and generator of emotion-based aesthetics. Examining pink globalization through the lens of gender politics, global capitalism, affective resources, and Asian American iconicity helps us understand the pleasures and politics of cute as a winking cool.

Christine Yano, Professor and Chair of Anthropology at the University of Hawai’i will be delivering this talk. Please register [here](#).
In the Interest of Justice: Conviction Review Programs Conference
Friday, September 25, 2015 @ 8:00 am – 3:30 pm at Santa Clara University School of Law

Please join the Northern California Innocence Project and the Santa Clara University School of Law for a free symposium, "In the Interest of Justice: Conviction Review Programs."

We know the criminal justice system makes mistakes and convicts innocent people.* These innocent people have few avenues available to seek justice. Several jurisdictions across the country have established conviction review programs to evaluate convictions to ensure the guilty were convicted and the innocent go free. This groundbreaking event brings together prominent judges, district attorneys, defense attorneys, the innocence community and other criminal justice system stakeholders to discuss the critical issue of conviction review.

The symposium highlights various models for conviction review including conviction integrity units and statewide commissions. Distinguished speakers include:

- Hon. Jeff Rosen / District Attorney, Santa Clara County, CA
- Kenneth Lynch / Assistant Head Deputy District Attorney, Los Angeles County, CA
- Catherine Kobal / Deputy District Attorney, Alameda County, CA
- Brent Thomas Neck / Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County, CA
- David Angel / Assistant Deputy Attorney, Santa Clara County, CA
- Jeff Adachi / Public Defender, San Francisco Public Defender’s Office
- Hon. Michael G. Nerheim / State’s Attorney, Lake County, IL
- Mark Hale / Deputy District Attorney, Kings County, NY
- Russell Wilson / Former Director, Conviction Integrity Unit, Dallas County, TX
- Gregory Taylor / Exoneree, North Carolina Innocence Inquiry Commission (NCIIC)
- Hon. LaDoris Cordell / Judge (ret.), Superior Court, Santa Clara County, CA
- Hon. Alex Kozinski / Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- Hon. Arnold Jones / Chair, NCIIC; Sr. Res. Judge, Superior Court, Wayne County, NC
- Laurie Levenson / Professor of Law, Loyola Law School
- John Hollway / Exec. Dir., Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice

Speakers and panelists will describe the need for and approaches to reviewing cases post-conviction and to creating successful conviction review programs.

Date: Friday, September 25, 2015
Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm; breakfast starts at 8:00 am.
Location: Santa Clara University, easily accessible by train, plane or car.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided.
MCLE credits are available. 
Register here.

Politics Forum: Immigration Justice featuring Guest Speaker Supervisor Eric Mar
Monday, September 28, 2015 @ 3:00 – 4:30 pm in the Getty Study, Lo Schiavo Center

San Francisco Supervisor Eric Mar will speak on the role of immigrant rights and immigration justice in San Francisco politics, from community movements, to City Hall, to the upcoming November elections.

Eric Mar is the past director of the Northern California Coalition for Immigrant Rights and a longtime social justice activist with the Chinese Progressive Association and other grassroots organizations. As a public interest attorney, he served on the Human Rights Committee of the State Bar of California and the Civil Rights Committee of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. From 1992 to 2008, he taught Ethnic Studies at SFSU. From 2000-2008, he served on the San Francisco School Board. Since 2008, Supervisor Mar has represented District 1 on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, includes USF’s Hilltop campus and the Richmond District. He has lived in the Richmond since 1986.

Suggested reading for this event is an op-ed piece Supervisor Mar co-authored with USF Professor of Law Bill Hing, accessible on the Politics Forum Readings page.

Student Opportunities:
This section of the Politics Newsletter highlights some of the many opportunities the Politics Department receives. Contact information is provided in each posting. Please use that information to follow up. Also always remember to be pro-active and look beyond this newsletter for the opportunities that are best for you and match your passions – they are out there!

Meeting of the Minds 2015 Hackathon
(Please see website for more details)

Since it was first launched in 2006, Meeting of the Minds has become a premier global leadership summit on innovative solutions for smart and sustainable cities. From October 20-22, the summit will convene in Richmond, CA as a select group of 400+ leaders from more than 20 countries. Each and every one of the invited leaders is working at the cutting edge of urban sustainability, seeking out breakthrough innovations, and utilizing connected technologies.

Meeting of the Minds 2015 Hackathon
The Meeting of the Minds 2015 Civic Hackathon is an opportunity for teams of 1-4 people to build apps which improve the livability and sustainability of cities. The event will take place on October 17 and 18 at Topline - an incubator in Richmond, CA. The
Scholarships
The organizers extend an invitation to students to apply for a full scholarship to attend Meeting of the Minds 2015. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis: http://cityminded.org/scholarship. Applicants are encouraged to apply early, as scholarships are limited and competitive.

Scholarships are available to the following groups: college students (any level) and graduate students, non-profit leaders, public sector officials, entrepreneurs, community activists.

This is a great opportunity for young people to:
- Learn about the various career paths related to sustainability, cities and technology
- Meet leaders from cities around the world who are creating innovative solutions
- Boost resumes and identify possible internship and career opportunities
- Share perspectives and participate in discussions.

Volunteer Opportunities
Mature and diligent volunteers will commit 6 hours of their time in exchange for free registration to the entire event. Volunteers must be 21 years or older. Anyone interested in this opportunity may apply here: http://cityminded.org/volunteer-form.

Riley Center Survivor Advocate Training
(Application Deadline: September 28, 2015)

The Riley Center, a program of St. Vincent de Paul, offers safe and confidential services for survivors of domestic violence. We believe that everyone has a right to live a life free from harm. We offer support to survivors through our hotline, community office, emergency shelter, transitional housing program and our specialized advocates in Family and Children Services. We believe that survivors are fully capable of making empowered choices for themselves. It is our role to support survivors in identifying and expanding their options by utilizing a feminist, peer-based model. The Riley Center's next 40+ hour Survivor Advocate training is coming up!

St. Vincent de Paul's Riley Center seeks people committed to:
- Supporting survivors of Domestic Violence
- Challenging all forms of oppression that contribute to intimate violence
- Developing valuable counseling, facilitation, and leadership skills

Our volunteer training is done in collaboration with WOMAN, Inc. We are excited to come together to train new advocates and hope that in doing so we can create a greater sense of community.

Training takes place tri-annually, in the summer, fall and winter. We meet on Fridays
from 9:30am-5:30pm. Please save the following dates for the next training: **Tues. & Thurs. evenings, and some Saturdays, October 15th, 17th, 19th, 22nd, 24th, 26th, 29th, 31st and Nov. 5th.**

With questions, please contact [jenny@riley.svdp-sf.org](mailto:jenny@riley.svdp-sf.org). Community members, or those seeking the certificate or professional development are also welcome to apply; there are costs associated.

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**U.S. Department of State Student Internship Program**  
(*Summer 2016 Application Deadline: October 16, 2015*)

Intern in Washington, D.C. or Overseas

The U.S. Department of State Internship Program is an unpaid internship with the opportunity to work in U.S. Embassies and Consulates throughout the world, as well as in various bureaus located in Washington, D.C. and at Department offices spread around the United States. This program is designed to provide substantive experiences in a foreign affairs environment. More information will be available over the next few months. Please [subscribe to receive email updates](mailto:subscribe) regarding this program.

For internship program details such as duties of an intern, participating offices and bureaus, types of internships, and housing information, please view and download the [Student Internship Brochure](#).

**Eligibility Requirements**

- U.S. citizenship
- Have good academic standing
- Successfully complete a background investigation
- Be able to receive either a [Secret or Top Secret clearance](#) (pdf).
- You may be subject to random drug testing.
- Furthermore, you must be:
  - A student. This means you have been accepted for enrollment, or are enrolled as a degree-seeking student in an accredited college or university
  - A full- or part-time continuing college or university junior, or graduate student (including graduating seniors intending to go on to graduate school). An applicant is considered a junior if he/she will have completed all sophomore credits (60 or more hours or 90 quarter hours) by the time the internships begins and will be entering at least the junior year immediately upon completion of the internship.

**IMPORTANT:** You are eligible to apply for the Department’s internship program if you have not yet completed your registration at a college or university for graduate or post-graduate studies (including law school) or are awaiting an admissions determination for graduate or post-graduate studies (including law school). However, if selected for an internship, you must provide proof that you have registered, or have been accepted for
enrollment for studies in the semester or quarter immediately following the internship before you can begin your internship.

For overseas assignments, applicants must present evidence of medical insurance coverage. All students must be available to begin their internship within the appropriate application timetable.

**Compensation and Benefits**

- Unpaid Internships may be able to earn college credit.
- Unpaid interns assigned to the U.S. qualify for SmartBenefits Metro Transit Subsidy.

**How to Apply**

Please subscribe to receive email updates about this position.

All applications are submitted online through the "Gateway to State" system, which also screens applications to make sure that they are complete, and that applicants meet the eligibility criteria.

You can also visit the Career Resources Download Center for a list of Position Descriptions. For more information on how bureaus select interns, and more detailed information on the application process, please view and download the Student Internship Brochure.

For personal inquiries about this internship, please contact Madeline Sweeney (mcsweeney@dons.usfca.edu).

**Public Policy and International Affairs Program (PPIA) Junior Summer Institute**  
*(Summer 2016 Application Deadline: November 1)*

The Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs is pleased to announce that the 2016 PPIA Junior Summer Institute will be held at Princeton University from June 8 through July 29, 2016.

The PPIA Junior Summer Institute is a fully funded 7-week summer fellowship program that prepares rising college seniors for advanced degrees and careers in public policy and international affairs. The summer institute provides rigorous training in policy analysis and serves as a springboard to exciting careers in public service. You can find more information about this program on our website. Also, check out our featured video for a visual introduction to the JSI program at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University.

Similar summer programs are offered at UC Berkeley, Carnegie Mellon and University of Michigan with some differences in eligibility.
The online application form will be available in just a few weeks through the Public Policy & International Affairs Fellowship Program (PPIA) website. The application deadline is November 1, 2015.

We hope that you will recommend this fellowship program to eligible college juniors or pass this information along to individuals who may benefit from this program.

If you would like to be informed of future developments, please contact us at wwsjsi@princeton.edu.

Public Policy and International Affairs Program (PPIA) 2016 Fellowship Applications
(Application Deadline: November 1, 2015)

About the Fellowship
PPIA’s mission is to promote the inclusion and full participation of underrepresented groups in public service and to advance their leadership roles throughout our civic institutions serving domestic and international affairs. The PPIA program prepares undergraduates to be competitive candidates for top degree programs in the fields of public policy, public administration or international affairs through participation in a Junior Summer Institute (JSI).

JSI is an intensive, 7-week, academic program during the summer at one of these host campuses:

• The Ford School - University of Michigan
• The Goldman School - UC Berkeley
• Heinz College - Carnegie Mellon University
• Woodrow Wilson School - Princeton University

Eligible candidates are current undergrads who will be completing their B.A. between December 2016 and August 2017. The deadline to apply is November 1, 2015.

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Benefits of Participation

• Full tuition at a PPIA Junior Summer Institute.
• Eligibility to receive assistance with travel expenses.
• A stipend of up to $1,500 (funding determined by each JSI).
• University housing with a meal plan.
• Books and related course materials at your JSI.
• Each JSI may offer additional benefits, such as GRE preparation, at their discretion. Please check with each JSI about any additional benefits.
• Minimum of a one-time $5,000 scholarship at a PPIA graduate school if admitted for a Master’s degree or select PhD programs. PPIA Fellows often receive financial offers above and beyond this minimum from their graduate program.
• Fee waiver when applying to programs that are members of the PPIA Graduate School Consortium