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## PUBLICATIONS

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**Matthew H. Amster, Associate Professor of Anthropology**, published "Where spirit and bulldozer roam: Environment and anxiety in highland Borneo" in *Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture*, Vol. 2 (2008): 74-92. The paper explores the relationship between religion and attitudes toward the environment by comparing traditional and post-Christian conversion understandings of forest spaces among the Kelabit of Borneo.

**Philip Bobko, Professor of Management and Psychology**, published "The usefulness of unit-weights in creating composite scores: A literature review, application to content validity, and meta-analysis" in *Organizational Research Methods*, Vol. 10 (2007): 689-709. This article, co-authored with P. Roth and M. Buster, examines the efficacy, in both statistical theory and practice, of forming unit-weighted composites of selection tests.

**Bobko** also published "Psychometric accuracy and (the continuing need for) quality thinking in meta-analysis" in *Organizational Research Methods*, Vol. 11 (2008): 114-126. This article, co-authored with P. Roth, reviews recent work in the meta-analytic domain and calls for logical precision and accuracy when using estimates from primary studies in meta-analyses.

**Gabor Boritt, Robert C. Fluhrer Professor of Civil War Studies and Director of the Civil War Institute**, published an audio version of his 2006 book *The Gettysburg Gospel: The Lincoln Speech that Nobody Knows*. The audio book is narrated by Michael Kramer and published by Tantor Media, 2007.

A paperback edition of **Boritt's** 2006 book, *The Gettysburg Gospel: The Lincoln Speech that Nobody Knows*, was released by Simon & Shuster, 2007.

In addition, **Boritt** wrote the introduction to *The Gettysburg Address and The Thirteenth Amendment to The Constitution of The United States*, a book of artistic reproductions of these documents inscribed by Sam Fink and published by Welcome Books, 2007.

**Judith Brough, Professor and Chair of Education**, co-authored *Teach My Kid, I Dare You: The Educator's Essential Guide for Parent Involvement* (Eye on Education, 2008) with co-authors Sherrel Bergmann and David Shepard. The third in a series by the same authors, the book provides research and strategies for helping educators meet the No Child Left Behind mandate of developing effective parent involvement programs in schools.

**John Cadigan, Assistant Professor of Economics**, published "Social Position and Distributive Justice: Experimental Evidence," with co-authors P. Schmitt, K. Swope, and R. Shupp, in *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 74 (2008): 811-818.

**Véronique A. Delesalle, Professor and Chair of Biology**, with co-authors Susan J. Mazer and Horacio Paz, published "Temporal variation in the pollen:ovule ratios of *Clarkia* (Onagraceae) taxa with contrasting mating systems: Field populations" in the *Journal of Evolutionary Biology*, Vol. 21 (2008): 310-323. This paper compared the sex allocation strategies of selfing versus outcrossing plant taxa in field populations. Contrary to theoretical expectations, selfing taxa exhibited similar patterns of temporal variation as the outcrossing taxa, suggesting that some aspects of allocation may be constrained by phylogeny in this genus.

**Ethan de Seife, Visiting Assistant Professor of Film Studies**, published "Gremlins in the Mix," an aesthetic and economic analysis of the film *Gremlins*, with a focus on the ways in which the film crosses and blends genres. The article appeared in the Danish online journal *16:9*, Vol. 6 (2008), edited by Jakob Nielson. It can be accessed at [http://16-9.dk/2008-02/side11\\_inenglish.htm](http://16-9.dk/2008-02/side11_inenglish.htm).

**Elizabeth Duquette, Assistant Professor of English and Civil War Era Studies**, published "The Republican Mammy? Imagining Civic Engagement in *Dred*" in *American Literature*, Vol. 80 (2008): 1-28. The article considers the moral arguments of Harriet Beecher Stowe, particularly as she revises them in *Dred: A Tale of the Dismal Swamp*.

**Darren Glass, Assistant Professor of Mathematics**, with co-author Phil Lowry, published "Quasigeometric Distributions and Extra Inning Baseball Games" in *Mathematics Magazine*, Vol. 81 (2008): 127-137. The article uses a mathematic model of baseball scoring to examine the likelihood of a game lasting 20 or more innings.

While on sabbatical leave at the University of British Columbia, **Joseph Grzybowski, Professor of Chemistry**, co-authored a paper entitled "Reversible-Irreversible Approach to Schiff Base Macrocycles: Access to Isomeric Macrocycles with Multiple Salphen Pockets" in *Organic Letters*, Vol. 10 (2008): 1255-1258. Included as co-authors are University of British Columbia chemists Peter Frischmann, Jian Jiang, Joseph K. H. Hui, and Mark MacLachlan.

**Ian A. Isherwood, Adjunct Instructor of English**, published "Monumental Fallacy: Memorials to the Lost Cause at Gettysburg" in *Confluence: The Journal of Graduate Liberal Studies*, Vol. XIV (2008): 102-115.

**Kim Dana Kupperman, Managing Editor of *The Gettysburg Review***, published "Eight," a personal essay about writing, in *Nightsun*, edited by Dinty Moore, Issue 26 (2007): 49-53.

**Bruce A. Larson, Assistant Professor of Political Science**, with co-author Eric S. Heberlig, published "Look Who's Coming to Dinner: Direct Versus Brokered Member Campaign Contributions to the NRCC" in *American Politics Research*, Vol. 36 (2008): 433-450. The article presents support for the expectation that direct contributions to the party by members of Congress provide access to a broader network of givers than do brokered, or "bundled," contributions.

**Laurence Marschall, W. K. T. Sahm Professor of Physics**, published "Movie Camera to the Stars" in *Discover* (May 2008): 64-69. The article describes the Large Synoptic Telescope, a project to continuously monitor the entire sky, which is building the fastest telescope on earth and will generate several terabytes of data every hour.

**Brian P. Meier, Assistant Professor of Psychology**, with co-authors Michael D. Robinson and Benjamin M. Wilkowski, published "Approach, avoidance, and self-regulatory conflict: An individual differences perspective" in the *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology*, Vol. 44 (2008): 65-79. The article reports four studies that reveal that longstanding patterns of approach and avoidance behaviors can compromise effective self-regulation.

**Matthew Norman, Visiting Assistant Professor of Civil War Era Studies and Africana Studies**, published "Government for the People or An Egyptian Swindle? The 1862 Illinois Constitutional Convention" in *Illinois History Teacher*, Vol. 14 (2007): 16-20. The article provides an overview of the controversial 1862 state constitutional convention in Illinois.

**Voon Chin Phua, Assistant Professor of Sociology**, published "Contesting and Maintaining Hegemonic Masculinities: Gay Asian American Men in Mate Selection" in *Sex Roles*, Vol. 57 (2007): 909-918. The article, which uses data from interviews with thirty-seven Asian Americans, analyzes how Asian American men interpret and negotiate their form of masculinity within a racialized gender hierarchy.

**Phua** also published an article in *The Greenwood Encyclopedia of Love, Courtship & Sexuality*, edited by James T. Sears (Greenwood Press, 2008). Titled "Interracial/ethnic Intimate Relationships" (pp. 133-135), Phua's article surveys interracial/ethnic intimate relationships in the modern world.

**Phua** also published "Grandparenting Responsibility among Elderly Asian Americans: The Effects of Householder Status, Ethnicity, and Immigration" in *Journal of Intergenerational Relationships*, Vol. 6 (2008): 41-59. Co-authored with Gayle Kaufman, the article examines whether Asian Americans who reside with grandchildren take on responsibility for their grandchildren's basic needs.

**Janet M. Powers, Professor Emerita of Interdisciplinary Studies and Women's Studies and Adjunct Professor of Religion**, published *As Difficult to Subdue as the Wind* (Finishing Line Press, 2008). This book of poetry is #60 in Finishing Line's New Women Voices Series. The poems center on the arc of a woman's life, exploring relationships with lovers, daughters, parents, friends, students, and strangers.

**Sarah Principato, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies**, published an article entitled "Geomorphic evidence for Holocene glacial advances and sea level fluctuations on eastern Vestfirðir, northwest Iceland" in *Boreas*, Vol. 37 (2008): 132-145. The article presents new geomorphic and chronological data of Holocene advances of the Drangajökull Ice Cap, located on eastern Vestfirðir, northwest Iceland. The fieldwork for this article was completed with the assistance of **Tess Barton, class of 2006**, and **Kristin Igusky, class of 2006**.

**Principato**, with co-authors John T. Andrews, Jorunn Hardardottir, and Joe Stoner, published “Holocene Sediment Magnetic Properties along a Transect from Ísafjardardjúp to Djúpáll, Northwest Iceland” in *Arctic, Antarctic, and Alpine Research*, Vol. 40 (2008): 1-14. In this article, magnetic properties of marine sediments are used to determine changes in provenance and sediment transport processes through the Holocene.

**Rajmohan Ramanathapillai, Assistant Professor of Philosophy**, published a chapter in *Gandhi and Culture of Peace*, edited by Satish Chaturvedi and Rajesh Shukla (Aavishkar Publishers, 2007). His chapter (pp. 27-48) is titled “Gandhi’s Response to Religious Conversion and Violence.”

**Ramanathapillai** also published “Modern Warfare and the Spiritual Disconnection from Land” in *Peace Review*, Vol. 20 (2008): 113-120.

**Carol R. Rinke, Assistant Professor of Education**, with Linda Valli and Saroja Ringo, contributed a chapter titled “Preparing Teachers to Leave No Child Behind” in *Shaping the Future: Critical Essays on Teacher Education*, edited by John Freeman-Moir and Alan Scott (Sense Publishers, 2007). The chapter (pp. 124-142) discusses promising approaches to preparing, recruiting, and retaining teachers within the policy context of No Child Left Behind.

“Leipzig, 1999,” a poem by Angela Krauss, translated from the German by **Michael Ritterson, Associate Professor of German**, appeared in *New European Poets*, an anthology of poetry from more than forty languages, edited by Wayne Miller and Kevin Prufer (Graywolf Press, 2008): 271. “Leipzig, 1999” marks the tenth anniversary of the protest demonstrations in that city which helped to precipitate the collapse of the East German state. Ritterson’s translation first appeared in *International Poetry Review*, 2005.

**Stephen M. Sivi, Professor of Psychology**, published “Effects of neonatal handling on play behavior and fear towards a predator odor in juvenile rats (*Rattus norvegicus*)” in the *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, Vol. 122 (2008): 1-8. Co-authored with **Kelly A. Harrison, class of 2006**, the article describes how early postnatal experiences can modulate fear and anxiety associated with a predator threat in juvenile rats.

**Dustin Beall Smith, Adjunct Instructor of English and Peer Learning Coordinator**, published “The Invisible Dead,” a personal essay about his ancestor, Hannah Emerson Dustin; his grandfather, C.T. Revere; and a Lakota Indian Chief named John White Wolf; in *River Teeth*, Vol. 9 (2007): 11-25.

**Smith** also published “No Feeling of Falling,” a personal essay about his experience as a pioneer skydiver in the late fifties and early sixties, in the *Alaska Quarterly Review*, Vol. 25 (2008): 119-134.

**Carolyn S. Snively, Professor of Classics**, published “A Type of Underground Cult Place from Late Antiquity: How Did it Function?” in *Early Christian Martyrs and Relics and the Veneration in East and West*, Acta Musei Varnaensis IV, edited by Aleksandar Minčev and Valerie Jotov, Varna (2006): 163-172. The article begins with the apsidal crypt in the Episcopal Basilica at Stobi, Macedonia, and then considers similar cult places and the activities that might have taken place in them.

A previously published article by **Deborah Sommer, Associate Professor and Chair of Religion**, "Ming Taizu's Legacy as Iconoclast," was selected as a chapter for *Long Live the Emperor! Uses of the Ming Founder across Six Centuries of East Asian History* (Society for Ming Studies, 2008): 73-86. Edited by Sarah Schneewind, *Long Live the Emperor!* focuses on the legacy of Ming Taizu, the first emperor of the Ming dynasty (1368-1644), in the countries of East Asia. The article appeared first in *Ming Studies*, Vol. 50 (2004): 91-106.

**Kristin J. Stuempfle, Associate Professor and Co-Chair of Health Sciences**, recently published a co-authored paper entitled "Statement of the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Exercise-Associated Hyponatremia Consensus Development Conference, New Zealand, 2007" in the *Clinical Journal of Sport Medicine*, Vol. 18 (2008): 111-121. The paper addresses the etiology, prevention, and treatment of hyponatremia (low blood sodium), a potentially life-threatening condition.

**Currie Kerr Thompson, Professor of Spanish and Latin American Studies**, published "Purloined Almodóvar: *La ley del deseo* and *Mujeres al borde del un ataque de nervios*" in *Cine-Lit 2007*, edited by Guy H. Wood (Cine-Lit Publications, 2008): 153-159. The essay examines repetition in two of Almodóvar's movies in the context of Jacques Lacan's Seminar on "The Purloined Letter."

**Beatriz Trigo, Assistant Professor of Spanish**, published "El año de la inmortalidad o el postfeminismo utópico" in *Monographic Review*, Vol. 23 (2007): 82-92. The essay focuses on post-feminism in 20th century narrative from Spain.

**James Udden, Assistant Professor of Film Studies**, contributed a chapter to *Cinema Taiwan: Politics, Popularity and State of the Arts*, edited by Darrell William Davis and Ru-shou Robert Chen (Routledge, 2007). The chapter (pp. 183-202) is entitled "'This Time He Moves!': The Deeper Significance of Hou Hsiao-hsien's Radical Break in *Good Men, Good Women*." The chapter discusses the deeper implications of Hou's dramatic change in his films that began with this 1995 film.

**Udden** also contributed a chapter titled "Taiwan" to *The Cinema of Small Nations*, edited by Mette Hjort and Duncan Petrie (University of Edinburgh Press, 2007): 144-159. The chapter provides an overview of the struggle to develop a small "national" cinema in Taiwan.

**Robert M. Viti, Professor of French and Chair of the Department of French and Italian**, published "L'Ogresse and *La Bête*: Time in Mimouni and Zola" in *Dalhousie French Studies*, Vol. 80 (2007): 95-100. The essay contrasts the twentieth-century Algerian writer, Rachid Mimouni, and the nineteenth-century Naturalist, Emile Zola, in their portrayal of time. In his short story collection, *La Ceinture de l'ogresse*, Mimouni essentially rejects modernity and its chronometric temporal scheme in favor of a return to ancient customs and ways of reckoning time. Zola, ever the disciple of progress, insists upon the temporally sequential and linear, especially in his novel, *La Bête humaine*.

**Charles L. Weise, Associate Professor and Chair of Economics**, published "Private Sector Influences on Monetary Policy in the United States" in the *Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking*, Vol. 40 (2008): 449-462. The paper shows that prior to 1979, the Federal Reserve responded primarily to signals from non-bank interest groups in setting interest rates, in contrast to the period after 1979, when the Fed responded primarily to signals from the banking industry. Weise argues that the Fed's changing responses reflect a shift from a focus on stabilizing employment to a more aggressive anti-inflation stance.

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## REVIEWS

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**Darren Glass, Assistant Professor of Mathematics**, reviewed *Mathematics and Democracy: Designing Better Voting And Fair-Division Procedures*, by Steven J. Brams, in *MAA Online* (April 2008). The review can be accessed at <http://www.maa.org/reviews/MathandDemocracy.html>.

**Matthew Norman, Visiting Assistant Professor of Civil War Era Studies and Africana Studies**, reviewed Harold Holzer, ed., *Abraham Lincoln Portrayed in the Collections of the Indiana Historical Society* (Indiana Historical Society, 2006) in *Ohio Valley History*, Vol. 7 (2007): 75-77.

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## PROFESSIONAL PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

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**Yasemin Akbaba, Assistant Professor of Political Science**, presented a paper with K.C. Morrison and Zeynep Taydas titled "Faith, Failed Secularism and Change in the Discourse of Religion-based Parties: The Case of India and Turkey" at the International Studies Association annual meeting in San Francisco, CA, March 26-29, 2008. The paper examined the impact of corruption and the failure of secular institutions in the rise of religious-based political parties in India and Turkey.

**Matthew H. Amster, Associate Professor of Anthropology**, presented "Religious conversion and geographies of power in highland Borneo" at the Association for Asian Studies annual meetings in Atlanta, GA, on April 5, 2008. The paper explored pre- and post-conversion relationships to physical space among the Kelabit of interior Borneo and the ways in which conversion is linked to mobility and new ways of inscribing meaning in local geography.

**Emelio Betances, Professor of Sociology and Latin American Studies**, presented a paper, "The Rise of Pentacostalism in the Dominican Republic," at the XXVII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association in Montreal, Canada, September 5-8, 2007. Betances' paper examined how the followers of Pentacostalism in the Dominican Republic developed from having marginal religious and political significance to being incorporated into the mainstream of society. The political class have recognized followers of Pentacostalism as a major voting block and have started to give Pentacostal churches access to public resources to conduct their religious mission.

**Michael J. Birkner, Professor of History and Benjamin Franklin Chair of Liberal Arts**, delivered a paper at a colloquium at the School of Historical Studies, University of Melbourne, Australia, on March 6, 2008. Titled "Eisenhower and the 'Red Menace' Revisited," the paper examined Dwight Eisenhower's responses to Senator Joseph R. McCarthy during the first two years of Eisenhower's presidency, arguing that a policy of appeasing McCarthy in 1953 gave way to a more proactive, often subtle effort to undermine McCarthy without publicly denouncing him. The paper also explored the impact of Eisenhower's internal security policies and the difficulties in weighing the benefits and costs of a policy that shifted from loyalty to "security" in the federal bureaucracy.

**Judith Brough, Professor and Chair of Education**, gave an invited pre-conference talk entitled "Motivating the Middle School Student" at the Promising Practices Conference sponsored by the Center for Schools and Communities. The Center's work focuses on prevention and intervention initiatives operated by schools, organizations, and agencies serving children, youth, and families. The conference was held March 3-5, 2008, in Harrisburg, PA.

**Brough** also co-presented at two sessions of the annual Conference of the National Association of Secondary School Principals in San Antonio, TX, held February 22-24, 2008. The sessions, "Teach Me, I Dare You" and "Lead Me, I Dare You," were based on books of the same name recently published by Brough and co-author Sherrel Bergmann. The books provide research and strategies for working with reluctant learners and teachers.

**John Cadigan, Assistant Professor of Economics**, presented two papers, "Preemption vs Deterrence: Externalities in a Two Stage Rent Seeking Contest with Applications to Terrorism" and "A Laboratory Study of Holdout and Efficiency in Multilateral Bargaining," at the Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings in New Orleans, LA, November 18-21, 2007.

**Roy A. Dawes, Associate Professor of Political Science**, with co-authors A. Hunter Bacot and George Taylor, presented "A Dynamic Assessment of Public versus Military Support for the War in Iraq: Evidence from Five Southern States" at the Western Political Science Association meeting in San Diego, CA, on March 20, 2008. Extending a previous cross-sectional study, the authors found that differences in attitudes toward the war in Iraq between the general public and those affiliated with the military are narrowing. Yet when President Bush is not part of the question, differences persist, with those affiliated with the military continuing to show stronger support for the war than does the general public.

**Joseph A. Donnella, Chaplain of the College**, was the featured homilist at the Martin Luther King Convocation of the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg on April 2, 2008. The title of the address was "Important Enough To Risk."

**Shannon Egan, Interim Director of the Schmucker Art Gallery and Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art**, presented "Modernists and Head-Hunters: Edward S. Curtis's Indians in Film and Photography" at the College Art Association meeting in Dallas, TX, on February 20, 2008. The paper examined photographer Edward S. Curtis's 1914 film *In the Land of the Head-Hunters*. The film paid unique attention to the aesthetic of "primitive" Native American culture and coincided with Curtis's radical stylistic shift toward modernism in his photography. Egan presented Curtis's film and corresponding photography as a combined, complicated aesthetic response to the so-called "Indian problem" as well as to the contemporaneous "modernist primitivism" of European and American works of art.

**Ann Harper Fender, Professor of Economics**, presented “Do Institutions Matter: The Case of Post-1989 Bulgarian Telecommunications” at the Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings in New Orleans, LA, November 18-21, 2007. The paper focused on the allocation of licenses for cellular telephone bandwidth after the 1989 disintegration of Bulgaria’s centrally planned economy and the implications of that allocation for prices and output within the industry.

**Peter P. Fong, Associate Professor of Biology**, presented “Quagga and Zebra Mussels: Patterns of Reproduction” at the Quagga and Zebra Mussel Control Strategies Workshop for Western U.S. Water Facilities, April 3-4, 2008, in Las Vegas, NV. The paper reviewed patterns of spawning and larval development in the invasive quagga and zebra mussels in relation to water temperature, calcium concentration, and pH. These mussels, which have recently invaded Lake Mead and the Colorado River, pose a serious economic threat to utility companies, water treatment facilities, and agriculture in western states.

**Nathalie Goubet, Assistant Professor of Psychology**, chaired a symposium titled “Olfaction, Emotion and Cognition” at the Conference of the International Society on Infancy Studies, March 26-30, 2008, in Vancouver, BC, Canada. Goubet also presented a paper for the symposium titled “Olfaction-Pain interactions in full-term and preterm newborns.” The paper reported a series of studies in which it was found that newborns’ pain can be reduced by presenting them with familiar smells.

**Jennifer L. Hansen, Associate Professor of Philosophy**, presented “What’s So Great About Nature?” at the American Philosophies Forum at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, April 3-5, 2008. The paper critically analyzed the arguments against off-label use of Prozac for enhancement purposes (“Cosmetic Psychopharmacology”). Arguing that opponents of this practice uncritically hold to a concept of “nature” and “unnatural,” Hansen’s paper held that nature is not, in fact, benign.

**Kim Dana Kupperman, Managing Editor of *The Gettysburg Review***, presented an essay titled “Singing the Body Eclectic” at the annual conference of the Association of Writers and Writing Programs, January 30 – February 2, 2008, in New York City. The paper examined the work of contemporary authors Audre Lorde, Mimi Schwartz, and Barbara Hurd.

On March 14-16, 2008, at the Writers at the Beach conference in Rehoboth Beach, DE, **Kupperman** presented at a panel on autobiographical writing and facilitated a workshop on developing persona in the personal essay.

**Bruce A. Larson, Assistant Professor of Political Science**, with co-author Eric S. Heberlig, presented “Financing the New Party Fundraising Expectations in the U.S. House: Raising More, Saving Less, or Spending Differently?” at the 2008 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, held April 2-6, 2008. The paper tested three competing accounts of how U.S. House members pay for the increasing sums of campaign money they are expected to contribute to the party congressional campaign committees, finding that members who donate more to the party spend less campaign money on their own individual reelections.

At the same conference, **Larson** (with co-author Heberlig) delivered a second paper, titled "Institutional Advancement in the U.S. House of Representatives." In this paper, the authors provided an integrated analysis of members' institutional advancement in the U.S. House. Developing a party-centered, supply-side measure of the value of U.S. House members' "formal position portfolios," the authors found that experience, party voting, and generosity in making campaign contributions to the party are key determinants of incumbent advancement to positions of power in the House.

**Yahya M. Madra, Assistant Professor of Economics**, presented a paper titled "Axiomatic Politics of Surplus" at SURPLUS/EXCESS, a conference sponsored by *Rethinking Marxism* and the Association for Social and Economic Analysis. The conference was held on April 4-5, 2008, at the University of California, Riverside, and Madra's paper was co-authored with Ceren Özselsçuk. On March 26, 2008, Madra presented a slightly different version of the paper at the International Studies Association annual meeting in San Francisco, CA.

**Dan McCall, Associate Professor of Psychology**, along with **Lauren DeBrouse, class of 2009**, and **Hannah Kane, class of 2010**, presented "The Emergence of Stable Goal Representations in Means-End Problem Solving" at the meetings of the International Society on Infant Studies, Vancouver, BC, Canada. Their poster reported the results of two studies of the development of problem solving in 12- to 18-month-old infants, demonstrating how improvements in short-term memory during this period enable infants to engage in planful problem solving.

**Todd W. Neller, Associate Professor and Chair of Computer Science**, presented a paper titled "Throw Down an AI Challenge" at the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence Spring Symposium at Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Written with co-authors Ingrid Russell and Zdravko Markov, the paper described introductory computer science projects inspired by the authors' work on the National Science Foundation grant, "Machine Learning Laboratory Experiences for Introducing Undergraduates to Artificial Intelligence."

**Eric E. Noreen, Assistant Professor of Health Sciences**, with **Kathryn Yamamoto, class of 2007**, and **Kelli Clair, class of 2007**, presented a poster titled "Reliability of an indoor time trial using a Velotron electronic ergometer" at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of American College of Sports Medicine Conference, November 2, 2007, in Harrisburg, PA. The study is the first to examine the reliability of the Velotron for testing exercise performance in the laboratory. The Velotron is a new electronic bicycle ergometer that simulates riding outdoors.

**Monica V. Ogra, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies**, presented at the annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Boston, MA, held April 15-19, 2008. Her paper, titled "Compensating Human-Wildlife Conflict in Protected Area Borderlands: Ground-level perspectives from Uttarakhand, India," was co-authored with Ruchi Badola.

**Jonelle Pool, Associate Professor of Education**, presented at the Hawaii International Conference on Education, in Honolulu, January 5-8, 2008. Her paper, titled "Using Authentic Assessments with Preservice Teachers" and co-authored with **Molly Gale, class of 2005**, documented the benefits and challenges that collaborative curriculum poses for preservice teachers, classroom teachers, and students.

At the same conference, **Pool** and co-authors **Charles Dittrich, Visiting Instructor of Education** (first author), **Divonna M. Stebick, Lecturer in Education**, and **Emily Weigler, class of 2010**, presented "Revisiting on-line discussion as practice for reflective thinking in three sequential classes." The authors found that students may reflect more productively on-line if engaged in actual dialogue with other students, suggesting the use of a mixed methods approach for encouraging consistent, high level reflection.

At the Association of Teacher Educators meeting in New Orleans, LA, on February 26, 2008, **Pool** and co-authors **Charles Dittrich, Visiting Instructor of Education**, and **Kenneth Pool, Executive Director of the Leonard Bernstein Center**, presented "Artful Preparation: Modeling Arts Integration in Preprofessional Field Experiences." The paper explored how preservice teachers at Gettysburg College learn planning and implementation skills for integrating the arts into content area curriculum by participating in hands-on, collaborative field experiences.

**Janet M. Powers, Professor Emerita of Interdisciplinary Studies and Women's Studies and Adjunct Professor of Religion**, delivered an invited lecture at Villanova University (Villanova, PA) on April 2, 2008, titled "Israeli and Palestinian Women Working for Peace." Her presentation drew on material from her book, *Blossoms on the Olive Tree* (Praeger, 2006).

**Paul Redfern, Director of Web Communications and Electronic Media**, presented at Open Minds, a dotCMS user conference held February 8, 2008, in Miami, FL. The presentation was co-authored with **Kathleen Regentin, Associate Director and Special Assistant for Technology, Center for Career Development**. Titled "CRM Evolution at Gettysburg College," the paper discussed the development of new customer relations management and social networking tools for the Gettysburg College website.

**Carol R. Rinke, Assistant Professor of Education**, presented a paper, "Retention of Urban Science Teachers: Pathways toward Integration or Participation," at the annual meeting of the National Association of Research in Science Teaching in Baltimore, MD, April 2, 2008. The presentation focused on the career trajectories of urban science teachers and the implications of these trajectories for retention in the field.

**Timothy Shannon, Associate Professor of History**, gave an invited talk titled "Forbes Road and the Path of Diplomacy" at the 12th Annual Ohio Country Conference in Greensburg, PA, March 29-30, 2008. The theme of the conference was the French and Indian War. Shannon's paper dealt with the restoration of diplomatic relations between colonial Pennsylvania and the Indians of the Ohio Valley, which made possible the successful completion of the Forbes Expedition against Fort Duquesne in 1758.

**Barbara A. Sommer, Associate Professor of History and Coordinator of Latin American Studies**, presented "Bodily Modification and the Colonial Eye" at the Brazilian Studies Association meeting in New Orleans, LA, March 27-29, 2008. The paper analyzed the communication of identity and personhood in divergent practices of bodily formation among natives and Europeans in the Brazilian Amazon.

**Sommer** also gave a paper, "Old Bones, New Ethnohistories: Rethinking Jesuit Accounts and Amazonian Indians," at the Conference on Latin American History, Washington, DC, January 3-6, 2008.

**Divonna M. Stebick, Lecturer in Education**, was invited to participate in an Implications of Instructional Leaders panel discussion on January 10, 2008, at Union Institute and University in Cincinnati, OH. Her paper focused on the implications of effective instructional leadership on student achievement within our current public school systems.

Two faculty from the **Sunderman Conservatory of Music**, **Jocelyn A. K. Swigger, Assistant Professor of Piano and Coordinator of Keyboard Studies**, and **Jeffrey Fahnestock, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Voice**, gave a joint lecture-recital titled "Lieder with fortepiano/pianoforte: Making the transition to the modern instrument" at the Northeast-Mid-Atlantic Chapter SuperRegional Conference of the College Music Society at Gettysburg College, April 5, 2008. The duo performed songs and excerpts by Beethoven, Schubert, and Haydn on both the fortepiano and the modern piano.

**Currie Kerr Thompson, Professor of Spanish and Latin American Studies**, presented "*Cherchez la Femme Fatale: Women in Classical Argentine Crime Movies*" at the Middle Atlantic Conference of Latin American Studies in Baltimore, MD, March 7-8, 2008. The paper contrasted the representation of women in Argentine *film noir* with the stereotypical portrayal of evil women in crime movies filmed with government support.

**Beatriz Trigo, Assistant Professor of Spanish**, presented "Una relación incómoda: el bilingüismo en la narrativa gallega actual" at the España XX/XXI: Diálogos en el Hispanismo Peninsular Conference at the University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada, March 27-28, 2008. The paper focused on the uneasy relationship among Galician writers who write in Galician, those that write in Spanish, and those who write in both languages.

**James Udden, Assistant Professor of Film Studies**, presented a paper, "Child of the Long Take: Alfonso Cuarón's Syncretic Auteurism in *Children of Men*," at the Society for Cinema and Media Studies Conference at Philadelphia, PA, on March 8, 2008. This paper discussed the multiple motives behind the pronounced use of long takes in Cuarón's film and how the use of long takes relates to Cuarón's entire career.

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## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

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**Yasemin Akbaba, Assistant Professor of Political Science**, was reelected to be the officer at-large of the Foreign Policy Analysis Section (FPA) of the International Studies Association. The FPA aims to facilitate research and teaching on foreign policy.

**Emelio Betances, Professor of Sociology and Latin American Studies**, served as discussant of a panel titled "Haiti and the Dominican Republic: Back to the Future?" at the XXVII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association in Montreal, Canada, September 5-8, 2007. The panel focused on the role of international actors in the areas of security, trade, and peace building and included an analysis of the francophonic literature of negritude and the rise of kreyol art in Haiti.

**Daniel R. Gilbert, Jr., Professor of Management and David M. Levan Chair in Ethics and Management**, completed a 22-hour mediation training program conducted by Mediation Services of Adams County, PA.

**Sharon Davis Gratto, Professor of Music in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music and Music Education Coordinator**, participated in two choral adjudication festivals held in schools near Washington, DC. The adjudication of middle and high school choirs at the Montgomery County, MD, Choral Days event took place at Walt Whitman High School in Bethesda, MD, on March 12, 2008. The adjudication of 25 Virginia high school choral ensembles, part of the annual Virginia District Choral Adjudication Festival, took place at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology in Fairfax County, VA.

**Gratto** served as the local Chair when the **Sunderman Conservatory of Music** hosted the April 2008 SuperRegional Conference of the College Music Society. This event, held April 3-5, 2008, brought together higher education music faculty from the organization's Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. The conference included performances by the **Sunderman Piano Trio** and **Sunderman Woodwind Quintet**, performances of new composers' works by Gettysburg College faculty and student musicians, including the **College Women's Choir**, and a presentation by faculty members **Jocelyn Swigger**, playing piano and fortepiano, and tenor **Jeffrey Fahnestock**.

**Bruce A. Larson, Assistant Professor of Political Science**, chaired a panel titled "Legislative Politics: Campaigns and Elections" at the 2008 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 3, 2008.

**Yahya M. Madra, Assistant Professor of Economics**, served as part of a three-person organizing committee for SURPLUS/EXCESS, an interdisciplinary conference that brought together political economists, cultural theorists, literary critics, artists, philosophers, and psychoanalytical critics who work on the concepts of surplus and excess. The conference was sponsored by *Rethinking Marxism* and the Association of Social and Economic Analysis. The conference was held on April 4 and 5, 2008, at the University of California, Riverside.

On February 20, 2008, **Jacquelynne Milingo, Assistant Professor of Physics**, appeared on WITF 89.5 with host Scott Detrow to discuss the complete lunar eclipse that took place that night. A sound recording of the interview can be accessed at the Gettysburg College Physics Department News web page.

**Monica V. Ogra, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies**, has joined an international project jointly funded by the governments of Norway and India entitled "Wildlife-human interaction: from conflict to coexistence in sustainable landscapes." Ogra will help design and coordinate the India-based qualitative field research and will play a leading role in conducting the comparative analysis. The project began in 2007 and will continue to 2010.

**Dustin Beall Smith, Adjunct Instructor of English and Peer Learning Coordinator**, participated in a panel on the hazards and pitfalls of confessional writing at the Writers at the Beach Conference, held March 14-16, 2008, in Rehoboth Beach, DE. At the same conference, Smith also led two workshops titled "The Art of Making a Scene."

**Deborah Sommer, Associate Professor and Chair of Religion**, served as commentator for Ann Pang-White's paper, "Confucian Care Ethics and Some Practical Applications," which was presented at the panel "Confucianism, Women, and Care Ethics." The panel was sponsored by the Association for Chinese Philosophers in America at the Annual Meeting of the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, Pasadena, CA, on March 21, 2008.

**Sommer** also served as faculty advisor for Gettysburg College students **Kate Vredenburg, class of 2009**, and **Eric Canzano, class of 2009**, in the presentation of their poster titled “Buddhism in Contemporary Southwest China,” which they presented on March 15, 2008, at the panel “ASIANetwork Freeman Student-Faculty Research Projects Poster Session” at the Annual Meeting of ASIANetwork convened in San Antonio, TX.

**Divonna M. Stebick, Lecturer in Education; Carol R. Rinke, Assistant Professor of Education; Evan Gaffney, class of 2008; Jason Leiter, class of 2008; Lauren Schafer, class of 2008; and Megan Woods, class of 2009**, facilitated a discussion titled “Blogging to Think More Like a Teacher” at the Pennsylvania Educational Technology Expo and Conference on February 12, 2008. They described using blogging as an instructional tool during student teaching and pre-student teaching field experiences to gain constructive feedback through a reflective process.

**Donald G. Tannenbaum, Associate Professor of Political Science**, chaired a panel on American Political Thought at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Political Science Association on March 28, 2008, in Harrisburg, PA. He also served as a co-discussant on the panel, together with **Jay Hagerman, class of 2009**, who is completing a political science honors thesis on American democracy under Tannenbaum’s direction.

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#### GRANTS AND AWARDS

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In partnership with an indigenous cooperative, a filmmaking collective, academic scholars, and computational linguists, **Jonathan D. Amith, Research Fellow in Latin American Studies**, will lead a three-year Nahuatl language documentation effort in the Sierra Norte de Puebla in Mexico. The project will be funded by a \$270,000 grant from the National Science Foundation. This project follows Amith’s earlier work, also NSF funded, in central Guerrero Nahuatl. Together they represent a long-term endeavor to train native speakers and produce comprehensive documentary and descriptive material, including extensive ethnobiological data, from different Nahuatl language communities throughout Mexico.

**John Cadigan, Assistant Professor of Economics**, will collaborate with scholars at the United States Naval Academy on a \$7500 National Science Foundation Research in Undergraduate Institutions (RUI) grant to conduct laboratory studies of holdout behavior in multilateral bargaining. The “holdout problem” exists when an economic exchange requires agreement by multiple independent parties and an individual strategically delays agreement in an attempt to capture a greater share of the surplus created by the exchange.

**Kay Etheridge, Associate Professor of Biology**, and Gettysburg College’s Advancing Science program received a \$10,000 grant from the Tyco Electronics Foundation. These funds will be used in conjunction with \$160,000 in state funding received this year to continue K-12 science education outreach in Adams and neighboring Pennsylvania counties. Advancing Science now makes over 30,000 student contacts a year.

**Carolyn S. Snively, Professor of Classics**, received a \$12,000 grant from the Loeb Classical Library Foundation for the 2008 season of excavation at the site of Golemo Gradište, Konjuh, Republic of Macedonia. The archaeological investigation of the ancient city at Golemo Gradište and its environs is sponsored by Gettysburg College and the Museum of Macedonia in Skopje. Work in 2008 will take place in the lower city of the Late Antique settlement.

**Jocelyn A. K. Swigger, Assistant Professor of Piano and Coordinator of Keyboard Studies in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music**, was awarded a Fulbright Scholar Grant to teach and perform piano and chamber music in Paraguay during the summer of 2008. She will be working with teachers and students at the Conservatory Stael Ruffinelli in Asunción.

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#### CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

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**Kim Dana Kupperman, Managing Editor of *The Gettysburg Review***, participated in a literary reading at the Cup and Pen Reading Series in New York, NY, on March 19, 2008. The event brought together participants from the Center for Book Arts Fine Press and Letterpress Printing Seminar, which Kupperman attended as a scholarship recipient in November 2007.

**Dustin Beall Smith, Adjunct Instructor of English and Peer Learning Coordinator**, read from his forthcoming book, *Key Grip, A Memoir of Endless Consequences*, on March 15, 2008, at the Writers at the Beach conference in Rehoboth Beach, DE.

The **Sunderman Piano Trio (Jocelyn A. K. Swigger, Assistant Professor of Piano and Coordinator of Keyboard Studies; Daniel Levitov, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Cello and Director of Orchestral Activities; and Yeon-Su Kim, Visiting Assistant Professor of Violin and Viola)** performed in a Notes at Noon Concert in the Musselman Library on April 3, 2008, as part of the Northeast-Mid-Atlantic Chapter SuperRegional Conference of the College Music Society.

At the same conference, on March 4, 2008, the **Sunderman Woodwind Quintet** performed a concert of French music. The quintet consists of **Teresa Bowers, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Flute; Edward Stanley, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Oboe; Mary Bisson, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Horn; Anna Claire Ayoub, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Bassoon; and Colleen Hartung, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Clarinet**. Pianist **Jocelyn Swigger** also joined the quintet for the Poulenc sextet for piano and winds.

On March 29, 2008, **Swigger** performed in the world premiere of *The Wild Iris* by Forrest Pierce at the Episcopal Divinity School Chapel in Cambridge, MA. *The Wild Iris* is a cycle of six songs for piano and voice, set to texts by poet Louise Gluck, about the relationships between the gardener, the garden, and God. The singer was mezzo-soprano Miranda Loud, who commissioned the work, and the premiere was part of the Rialto music series, which presents multi-media concerts that bring attention to environmental issues.

**Swigger** played a solo piano recital for the Music, Gettysburg! concert series, February 10, 2008, at the Lutheran Theological Seminary Chapel in Gettysburg. The program included works by Beethoven and Bolcom.

**Swigger** played a solo recital and taught a master class at Fairmount State University in Fairmount, WV, February 5, 2008.

**Swigger, Teresa Bowers, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Flute, and Edward Stanley, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Oboe**, presented a recital of chamber music for winds and piano in Paul Recital Hall, Gettysburg College, on February 24, 2008.

Works by **Mark Warwick, Associate Professor of Visual Art**, were on display at Gettysburg College's Schmucker Art Gallery, January 24 - February 24, 2008. The exhibit, titled "a sculpture, some drawings, and my relationship with jane eyre: new works by mark warwick," featured works completed during Warwick's fall 2006 sabbatical leave.



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