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1--Update on PPOL/POLS Job Search

To follow up on the developments on the faculty search, I am **very** happy to report that we have received the signed contract from Jacqueline Chattopadhyay (who is finishing up her interdisciplinary doctorate at Harvard) to join our Political Science faculty and teach in the Public Policy program. The search is complete and PPOL is in a fantastic position coming through these changes that will see Dr. Steve Billings moving to our Department of Economics.

Again, I want to thank all the students that participated in the search process as you all made a great impression on all the candidates for the position.

2--Political Science Chair Search Update

The Department of Political Science & Public Administration has begun its search for a new chair. We have one more candidate for the position (Dr. Jim Walsh), who will begin the interview process today. As with the previous two candidates, the faculty in the Department would very much like PPOL and MPA students to meet with Dr. Walsh and provide feedback to the search committee on all the candidates. Here is the schedule for the final meeting with the students:

Dr. James Walsh; Friday, March 30th, 10-11am, Fretwell 445C

Please rsvp to Professor James Douglas at jwdougla@uncc.edu if you are able to attend.

Thank you for your participation.

3--Travel Reminder

PPOL students that have already traveled to a conference MUST get their paperwork in for reimbursement to Kimi within 25 days of returning from the trip. Otherwise, we will not be able to reimburse your travel costs (including conference registration, hotel, transportation, etc.).

For those of you with travel still ahead, please make sure you have met with Kimi and completed the Travel Authorization form, as well as your application for travel support from Student Government. We want you to get as much of your costs covered by the university as possible, but you must follow these rules so we can help you get that support.

4--Residency Issues and Tuition Support

Out of state students on tuition support from the University (through GASP) must apply for in-state residency status by the end of their first year. Students that have applied and been turned down need to apply again and try to address the reasons for the denial.

In order to assist with these tasks, the Graduate School is hosting a residency information session on April 18. The session will include information about residency requirements, the application and appeals processes and they have included time for questions.

[April Residency Workshop](#)

April 18, 2012 - 10:00am
Location: Denny 101

Sign up at: www.resdetermination.uncc.edu.

5--Remember to Register and Vote

A message from the Provost's Office:

The May 8 election is quickly approaching and you have a right to vote in this election.

In order to vote in the May election, you must be registered to vote by **April 13**. Voting made easy is available to you by signing up at <https://uncc.turbovote.org> by **April 2**.

You can request an absentee/mail-in ballot and/or receive a reminder to vote on Election Day; all by going to <https://uncc.turbovote.org>.

Civic engagement is a pillar of our mission at UNC Charlotte and voting is the first step to STAKE YOUR CLAIM!

"Elections belong to the people. It is their decision. If they decide to turn their back on the fire and burn their behinds, then they will just have to sit on their blisters." Abraham Lincoln

6--Center for Global Public Relations Conference at UNCC (April 20)

The Center for Global Public Relations at UNC Charlotte would like to invite you to attend our multidisciplinary global research conference, "Communicating Beyond Borders: Building Relationships Among Corporations, NGO's and Governments" on April 20 at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

This day-long conference will explore the complexities and strategies in establishing and maintaining intercultural, international and global relationships in a variety of settings. We will have roundtable research presentations and discussions featuring top practitioners and leading scholars. Topics range from intercultural communication to public diplomacy to government and corporate communication.

To reserve your place as a participant for this event, please use the attached form or visit <http://cgpr.uncc.edu/about-us/events/2012-global-research-conference/registration> Early general registration is \$60 (\$25 for students). Day of registration is \$70 (\$30 for students). This fee includes breakfast, lunch, and conference materials. We encourage you to share this event with your colleagues and students.

For any questions, please contact us at CenterGPR@uncc.edu. Additional information is available on our website at <http://cgpr.uncc.edu>.

7--Sociology Speaker (March 30)

PPOL students are invited to the next Sociology guest speaker. Steve McDonald will be our guest speaker this Friday at 11:00. He will speak on "The Invisible Hand of Social Capital: Hidden Network Advantages in Labor Markets." Please join us for what promises to be an interesting talk!

The talk will be in the SOCY conference room.

8--Health Policy Careers Speaker (April 2)

Dr. Leandris Liburd, Director of the Office of Minority Health and Health Equity, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) <http://www.cdc.gov/about/leadership/leaders/liburd.htm> will be giving a student forum on careers at the CDC from 3:30-4:40 in CHHS 281

Please RSVP at <http://health.uncc.edu/BCBSStudentForum>

She will also be giving a 6:00– 7:30 pm Keynote Lecture: Prevention and its role in addressing health disparities (Student Union Movie Theater) with a reception to follow from 7:30- 8:30 pm (Student Union Art Gallery).

RSVP and Event Information available: [click here](#)

9--Framing the Marriage Debate (April 2)

A Conversation about the Conversation around Amendment 1

Monday, April 2, 6:30 PM
UNC Center City Building
320 E. 9th Street

On May 8, 2012, North Carolina voters will be asked whether the state's constitution should be amended to provide that "marriage between one man and one woman is the only domestic legal union that shall be valid or recognized in this state." A panel of UNC Charlotte faculty will explore the various assumptions that inform arguments put forward by supporters and opponents of the initiative from the perspective of history, philosophy, law, gender theory, political science and religious studies.

Panelists include UNC Charlotte faculty members Tina Botts, Department of Philosophy and the Center for Professional and Applied Ethics; Kent Brintnall, Department of Religious Studies and the Women's and Gender Studies Program; Jeremy Schott, Department of Religious Studies; and John Szmer, Department of Political Science and Public Administration and the Women's and Gender Studies Program.

Parking will be available at the lot at 11th & Brevard.

10--Political Science Brown Bag (April 5)

Ben Gaskin's, a professor at Gardner-Webb, will give a brown bag presentation on April 5th from 12-1:30pm in the Conference Room. The paper, which is entitled "The Effect of Religiosity on Perceptual Bias and Issue Knowledge." I have a copy available for those interested (just email me). Dr. Gaskins does some interesting work on religion and politics, and the paper looks quite interesting. I hope you all can attend.

11--APPAM Fall Conference Proposals (due April 6)

APPAM has extended the deadline to submit a proposal for the 2012 Fall Research Conference. You will now have until 11:59 pm EST on Friday, April 6 to submit a proposal. Please do not wait until the last minute to submit your proposal as APPAM staff will only be available to answer questions until 4:00 pm on April 6. No late submissions will be accepted.

The theme of this year's conference is "Policy Analysis and Public Management in an Age of Scarcity: The Challenges of Assessing Effectiveness and Efficiency." Read more about the theme [here](#).

This year, in addition to proposals in the traditional policy areas, 3 unique cross cutting themes have been identified. To learn more about these themes and how to submit a cross cutting proposal, please [click here](#).

To read the submission guidelines and submit a proposal, please [click here](#).

For further questions on submitting a proposal for the 2012 Fall Conference, please contact Jocelyn Mason, jmason@appam.org, 202.496.0130, ext. 203.

Technical questions or problems while submitting should be directed to (401) 334-0220 (8:30 am-6:00 pm EST Mon-Fri) or appam@confex.com.

12--Women's Summit Hosts Dee Dee Myers (April 13)

Please join top women leaders from across the community as the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Women's Summit presents the 2012 Women's Summit, "Women, Wages and Work."

The 2012 Women's Summit will be on Friday, April 13, in the Student Union Ballroom, with registration opening at 7:30 a.m. Former White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers will be the keynote speaker.

The Summit will educate and inform delegates about issues of public policy, social justice and advocacy. It will provide training and practical information on such topics as negotiation skills and diversity in the hiring process. The Summit will include a report on the financial and social wellbeing of women in Charlotte-Mecklenburg, the keynote speech by Ms. Myers, a luncheon speaker, and morning and afternoon breakout sessions.

Registration is now open, and seating is limited. To reserve your place, go to <http://womenssummit.uncc.edu/register-2012>.

Dee Dee Myers is the first woman and one of the youngest people ever to be White House Press Secretary, serving during the first years of the Clinton Administration. Since leaving the White House, Ms. Myers has worked as a political analyst, commentator and writer. An original consultant to the NBC series, *The West Wing*, she contributed story lines and technical advice throughout the show's long, prize-winning run.

Ms. Meyers is a contributing editor to *Vanity Fair* and a frequent guest on broadcast and cable television networks. She also is author of a recent book, "*Why Women Should Rule the World.*" For more information please contact Carol Correll at womenssummit@uncc.edu or 704-687-2484.

13--Student and Faculty News

In the last Going Concerns, I mentioned the results from this year's Graduate Research fair. I neglected to include the news that in addition to Jason Giersch's performance, PPOL student Sasha Tsvetkova was also a winner, taking second place in our group. Congrats to Sasha (and my apologies for having left that out last time).

PPOL student Aileen Lapitan successfully passed her comprehensive exams and now moves on to the dissertation phase of the program. She will be spending several months in the Philippines this summer working on the data collection. Congrats to Aileen on reaching this milestone!

Last week saw the annual conference of the Southern Sociological Society held this year in New Orleans. Many of our Department of Sociology faculty were heavily involved as hosts of this year's conference. Dr. Beth Rubin (SOCY) is the president of the association and gave a very well received address. Drs. Stephanie Moller and Elizabeth Stearns were the program committee chairs for the conference, aided by PPOL student Nandan Jha. Dr. Scott Fitzgerald also served on the program committee. In addition to organizing the conference, many faculty participated by giving papers:

Dr. Wei Zhao (SOCY): "Social Networks, Job Search, and Income Inequality in a Transitional Economy."

Dr. Elizabeth Stearns (SOCY) along with Carson Byrd: "Interracial Friendship Networks throughout the College Career."

Dr. Beth Rubin (SOCY), Dr. Charles Brody (SOCY) along with David Maume: "Race, Managerial Citizenship, and Employees' Work Reactions."

Dr. Elizabeth Stearns (SOCY), PPOL student Jason Giersch, Dr. Roslyn A. Mickelson (SOCY), and Dr. Stephanie Moller (SOCY): "School Resources and Investments and the Production of STEM Majors."

Dr. Martha Cecilia Bottia (PPOL Alumnus), Dr. Elizabeth Stearns (SOCY), Dr. Roslyn A. Mickelson (SOCY), and Dr. Stephanie Moller (SOCY): "Secondary School Contexts and Success in a STEM Career: Differential Effects by Race/Ethnicity, Socioeconomic Status and Gender."

PPOL Student Nandan Jha and Dr. Roslyn A. Mickelson (SOCY), along with Stephen S. Smith: "Funding Inequity and Allocative Efficiency in Public Education: the Role of Inter-Jurisdictional Competition, Political Institution, and Citizen Demand."

PPOL Student Nandan Jha and Dr. Roslyn A. Mickelson (SOCY): "Socioeconomic Opportunity Structure of Place and Student Achievement: A Theoretical and Empirical Refinement of Inequalities of Place Model in Roscigno et al. (2006)."

PPOL Student Neena Banerjee and Dr. Stephanie Moller (SOCY): "Teacher Diversity, Student-Teacher Racial Mismatch, and Achievement Gaps between Diverse Groups."

In addition, UNCC was actively involved in the Southern Regional Science Association's annual conference, which took place this past weekend here in Charlotte. Several UNCC faculty were involve:

Dr. Steve Billings (POLS) and Erik B. Johnson: "Which Places Diversify Industry? Evidence from Co-specialization."

Dr. Craig Depken (ECON): "Aquatic Invasive Species and Non-random Lake Infestation."

Dr. David Swindell (POLS): "Using Public Policy to Build Bridging Social Capital in Diverse Urban Communities."

Dr. Jean-Claude Thill (GEOG), along with Yuhong Zhou and Elizabeth Delmelle: "Densification in Charlotte? Evidence from Local Land Development and Housing Trends."

Dr. Kirstin Wells (PPOL alumnus) and Dr. Jean-Claude Thill (GEOG): "Neighborhood Access to Bus Service in Four U.S. Cities: The Role of Public Bureaucracies and Local Government Structure."

In addition to these papers, PPOL student and state representative Martha Alexander, Dr. Thill and I were participants on a panel discussing the future of Charlotte entitled: "The Changing Face of Charlotte." John Connaughton (UNCC), Jerry Smiley (URS Corporation) also participated on the panel.

On March 22nd, I presented at a community forum hosted by the League of Women Voters devoted to a discussion of Social Security and its future.

14--Graduate Fellowship in Public Health (Deadline April 9th)

The deadline for applications (including CV and three letters of recommendation) for the [2013 APHA Public Health Fellowship in Government](#) is **Monday, April 9, 2012**.

Applications and additional information are available on our [website](#). Please note there are two steps to the application process and both parts must be completed by April 9.

Please forward this email to anyone who you believe may be eligible and interested. For more information, contact Charlene Bright at charlene.bright@apha.org.

Applications for the program are due via email to eitm@uchicago.edu on March 1, 2011.

15--Graduate Student Scholar Award (Deadline May 1)

The Center for Poverty Research at UC Davis seeks applications from graduate students in a variety of disciplines, including economics, psychology, and sociology, and graduate schools of law and education, with research interests in our core research areas:

- Labor markets and poverty
- The non-cash safety net, broadly construed to include education and health policies
- Children and the intergenerational transmission of poverty
- Immigration and Poverty, especially in connection with the above three areas

Preference will be given to students who have completed (or nearly completed) their coursework and are in the early stages of their dissertation research.

If you are interested, let me know and I will send you additional details about the program and the application information. The deadline for applications is May 1.

16--Doctoral Student Fellowship and Seminar Opportunity (due July 2)

The ARNOVA Doctoral Student Seminar is a one-day gathering designed to provide intellectual advice, personal encouragement, and networking opportunities to Ph.D. candidates pursuing studies related to the fields of nonprofit, voluntary action, or civil society studies. The seminar is held the Wednesday prior to the start of the ARNOVA Conference each year. It typically includes a group of (up to) 8 fellows as well as several senior nonprofit scholars. Students will make brief presentations on their research and receive feedback from senior scholars and their fellow doctoral students. Students will also provide an 8 to 10 page summary of the current status of their research and issues encountered several weeks prior to the seminar so that all participants can offer useful feedback. After the seminar, students are expected to participate in the ARNOVA Conference, which runs the next three days, and offers additional opportunities to learn about important issues in nonprofit research.

The fellowship award will provide each recipient with \$1,000 to offset the cost of travel and lodging at the seminar and ARNOVA conference. In addition, fellows will receive free registration at the ARNOVA conference.

Eligibility: In order to be considered for the fellowship, doctoral students must have approved dissertation proposals, with preference given to applicants in the early to mid-stages of their research. *Fellows may come from any institution and any academic discipline.* The research must be focused on a topic related to philanthropy, voluntary action, civil society and the nonprofit sector. Focus areas might include nonprofit institutions (e.g., hospitals, human service agencies, arts organizations, religious groups); or phenomena like civic advocacy, pro-social behavior and social capital; or issues related to nonprofit management, public policy and intersectoral relations. The scope of the studies may include these organizations or activities in the U.S. or other countries.

Application: More information on the application and selection process will be posted here in July, 2012.

Inquiries: May be directed to Thomas Jeavons at tjeavons@arnova.org.

17--Dissertation Grants from NSF

SBE Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants

[Political Science Program](#)

Division of Social and Economic Sciences

Political Science Dissertation Deadline Dates: January 15th and September 16th.

The Political Science Program supports scientific research that advances knowledge and understanding of citizenship, government, and politics. Research proposals are expected to be theoretically motivated, conceptually precise, methodologically rigorous, and empirically oriented. Substantive areas include, but are not limited to, American government and politics, comparative government and politics, international relations, political behavior, political economy, and political institutions.

In recent years, program awards have supported research projects on bargaining processes; campaigns and elections, electoral choice, and electoral systems; citizen support in emerging and established democracies; democratization, political change, and regime transitions; domestic and international conflict; international political economy; party activism; political psychology and political tolerance. The Program also has supported research experiences for undergraduate students and infrastructural activities, including methodological innovations, in the discipline. Besides information on the Political Science Program, we invite you to also look at the [SBE Office of Multidisciplinary Activities \(SMA\) web site](#).

Furthermore, for program specific guidelines on the Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant please view the: [Doctoral Preparation Checklist](#).

18--Dissertation and Post-Doc Fellowship Opportunity (Due March 30)

This is an excellent opportunity for any student that has completed their comps or recently graduated, and has an interest in education policy.

Funded by a two-year grant, the Oak Foundation Fellowship in the Learning Differences Program is an outstanding opportunity for post doctoral candidates and graduate students who have recently completed their course of study, or will complete their course of study by the end of the spring 2012 semester. Preferable areas of study include public administration/policy and studies of the science of learning/neurobiology, educational policy, educational leadership, instructional technology, curriculum and instruction, or related areas.

The program will award one six-month fellowship beginning July 1, 2012 with an opportunity for a six-month renewal for a total term not to exceed 12 months. The Fellow will work a full-time schedule of 40 hours/week and will be paid in monthly increments of \$4,458/month. The

fellowship term will be served in the Oak Foundation Learning Differences Program office in Chapel Hill, NC.

Applications will be accepted through March 30, 2012 for the first fellowship. Finalists will be invited to interview with officials from UNC General Administration and the Oak Foundation.

The program announcement and application are available at the following URL:

<http://www.northcarolina.edu/research/initiatives/Oak%20Foundation%20Fellowship%20Program/oakfoundationfellowshipprogram.htm>

Thank you for your assistance in distributing this announcement. Please contact Sarah Smith at 919-962-4557 or smsmith@northcarolina.edu if you have any questions about the Oak Foundation Fellowship Program.

19--Doctoral Fellowship Opportunity (Due May 2)

This would be a very good fellowship for students with any interests in justice policy issues. The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) seeks proposals for funding under the **Ph.D. Graduate Research Fellowship (GRF) program**, which provides awards for research on crime, violence, and other criminal justice-related topics to accredited academic universities that offer research-based doctoral degrees in disciplines relevant to NIJ's mission.

The GRF program is intended to support universities that sponsor students who are in the final stages of graduate study. Awards are granted to successful applicants in the form of a grant to cover a doctoral student fellowship. Currently, the GRF fellowship is \$25,000. Additional information may be found through the following means:

[Read the solicitation "NIJ Ph.D. Graduate Research Fellowship Program FY 2012 \(pdf, 19 pages\)](#)
[View a list of past fellows and their projects.](#)
[View all current funding opportunities from NIJ.](#)

Questions should be directed to lee.mockensturm@usdoj.gov.

20--Post-Graduate Work at the Congressional Research Service

The Congressional Research Service (CRS) is accepting applications for its Graduate Recruit Program. The program seeks to attract a diverse pool of highly qualified graduate students, as well as Library of Congress staff who already possess graduate degrees, who have the desire to assist Congress with its deliberations and legislative decisions. See [About CRS](#) for information about CRS's mission and services.

The 2012 Graduate Recruit Program offers a variety of paid positions, including analyst, financial management specialist, human capital management specialist, information research specialist,

and law librarian positions. See [Areas of Research](#) and [Organizational Structure](#) for information about our research divisions and offices. A list of full position titles appears on the web site:

<http://www.loc.gov/crsinfo/opportunities/op-grad-recruit.html>

21--Jobs

Congressional Research Service Various Positions

[As many of you know, I have often held analyst positions at the Congressional Research Service as the “holy grail” of positions for the PPOL graduates. They are currently hiring and have several positions open.]

The Congressional Research Service (CRS) works exclusively for the United States Congress, providing policy and legal analysis to committees and Members of both the House and Senate, regardless of party affiliation. As a legislative branch agency within the Library of Congress, CRS has been a valued and respected resource on Capitol Hill for nearly a century.

CRS is well-known for analysis that is authoritative, confidential, objective and nonpartisan. Its highest priority is to ensure that Congress has 24/7 access to the nation’s best thinking.

A listing of current positions and other information about the CRS are available at:

<http://www.loc.gov/crsinfo/>

Planned Parenthood Federation of America Manager, Legislative Affairs

The Manager, Legislative Affairs presents and advocates policy positions representing PPFA before the U.S. Congress and Executive branch agencies. The Manager’s main purpose is to further PPFA’s goals of access to reproductive health care for women and families by maintaining contact with key staffers, members of Congress and the administration. S/he will serve as a resource for PPFA affiliates and staff by providing information and support on federal legislation and policy.

Note: Application deadline is April 5th, 2012.

For a full position description and to apply, please visit:

<https://plannedparenthoodext.hire.com/viewjob.html?erjob=71220>

AARP
Sr. Medicare Policy Expert

Immediate Opening for a Senior Medicare Policy Expert: The AARP Public Policy Institute is seeking to hire a senior Medicare policy expert for the position of Senior Strategic Policy Advisor in the Health team.

The individual is expected to have substantive knowledge of Medicare issues, particularly in the areas of the Sustainable Growth Rate, and payment, delivery, and broader Medicare reform issues. Preference will be given to applicants who have used, and are familiar with, the MCBS data and are knowledgeable about out-of-pocket spending and utilization by Medicare beneficiaries, and the financing aspect of the Medicare program, such as spending, costs, and trust fund issues.

The individual will use specific knowledge of Medicare to inform AARP research and advocacy. The individual is expected to conduct objective research, or manage research by external vendors, on highly visible and potentially controversial policy issues. Responsibilities also include evaluating federal legislative and regulatory proposals, representing AARP in public forums, serving as an expert resource to internal AARP staff and external policy leaders, convening expert panels to advance discussion of timely and relevant policy questions, and identifying emerging Medicare issues.

Qualified candidates are invited to apply on line at www.aarpjobs.com. Position posted under "All Available Positions" category.

The Urban Institute
Senior Research Associate

The Urban Institute is seeking experienced social science researchers with expertise in issues relating to demography. Areas of particular interest include family demography; urban demography; population health and aging; the demography of poverty and inequality; migration; and immigration.

Responsibilities include designing and conducting rigorous empirical studies; disseminating findings and policy implications through reports, web products, media, and testimony; raising funding from foundations and government agencies; supervising and mentoring more junior scholars; effectively managing research tasks, staff, products, and budgets; participating actively in the intellectual life and leadership of the Urban Institute.

A combination of the quantitative, analytical, and writing skills, relevant substantive knowledge, and social policy research experience needed to perform the duties described above, or the academic knowledge of and research experience in a discipline that is generally associated with the attainment of PhD in demography, sociology, economics, public policy, city and regional planning, regional science, or other related social science discipline and at least 10 years of experience in research and/or policy analysis is necessary. In addition, a national reputation for rigorous, nonpartisan research; and proven capacity to raise funds and manage resources effectively is also required.

Only those major job duties necessary for proper job evaluation and/or labor market analysis have been included. Other duties may be assigned by the supervisor.

The Urban Institute is an Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/V/H. We welcome diversity in the workplace and encourage all minorities, women and persons with disabilities to apply. To learn more about the Urban Institute and its work, please visit www.urban.org.

Optimal Solutions Group, LLC RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

OPTIMAL Solutions Group has an opening for a Research Associate in its Workforce Development and Social Policy Research Center. Optimal's Workforce Development and Social Policy Research Center conduct complex projects at the U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and foundation funded sponsored research. The responsibilities of the Research Associate include providing subject area expertise; leading study design, data analyses, data collection, and other project tasks; writing sections of reports; and presenting results to technical and non-technical audiences.

Requirements and Qualifications:

- Extensive knowledge of the U.S. labor market policy, industrial and labor relations, and labor regulations;
- Experience conducting complex analyses of workforce development programs or other labor market analyses;
- Strong analytical, qualitative, and quantitative abilities;
- Experience with statistics and programming with statistical packages (such as SAS or STATA);
- Demonstrated problem solving skills;
- Able to effectively communicate problems and results, orally and in writing;
- Able to work independently and as a member of a team;
- Self-motivated and interested in data-driven public policy analysis; and
- A strong commitment to professional development.

TO APPLY: Please send your resume with a cover letter and writing sample to jobs@optimalsolutionsgroup.com Include in the subject line RESASSOC-WD

Education and Experience: Ph.D. in Economics, Public Policy, or other relevant field.

SRI International Education Researcher-Center for Education Policy

The Center for Education Policy conducts research, evaluation, and policy analytic projects on the major education policy issues facing the nation today. Using a wide range of methodologies, from in-depth case studies to randomized controlled trials, our work builds knowledge to inform important policy decisions concerning K-16 education. The Center is seeking a researcher with

strong applied research and evaluation skills for SRI's Washington, DC area office. The successful candidate will help design and lead studies of school reform, educator effectiveness, STEM learning, college and career readiness, among other topics.

The candidate should be qualified to design research studies, develop data collection instruments, gather and analyze data, interpret research findings for policymakers and practitioners, and have a passion for improving education for all students. Qualified candidates will demonstrate substantive knowledge of current issues in K-12 education policy at the state and federal level. Excellent writing skills and the ability to present research plans and findings are essential, as is the ability to work in a team environment. The candidate should also have demonstrated problem-solving abilities, work well to deadlines, and understand and support client needs. The position requires an applicant who can make a compelling case for ideas and/or approaches in writing and verbally.

Preference will be given to candidates who have:

- Substantive knowledge and understanding of education policy issues;
- Expertise in complex statistical analyses;
- Experience designing research and evaluation projects;
- Familiarity with qualitative research and mixed methods.

Ph.D. in education, economics, public policy, or social science and training in evaluation is preferred.

About SRI:

SRI International, founded as Stanford Research Institute in 1946, is a leading independent research institute. SRI conducts sponsored R&D for its government, business, and foundation clients in information and engineering technologies, pharmaceuticals and biotechnology, chemistry and materials, education, health sciences, and economics.

SRI's Policy Division (www.sri.com/policy) helps government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and commercial clients solve problems and capitalize on opportunities posed by complex issues in education, training, health, economic development, and human services. Our policy experts develop research-based solutions to problems posed by rapid social, technological, and economic changes in society. The products of our research are used to shape innovations to improve productivity and the quality of life at home, at school, and in the workplace.

How to apply:

Apply via our web page: www.sri.com/jobs to job ID number 101442.

**Postdoctoral Research Associate
Department of Political Science at Stony Brook University**

The Department of Political Science at Stony Brook University invites applications for a Postdoctoral Research Associate in political methodology and either political economy or American politics for the

2012-13 academic year. We are particularly interested in individuals whose substantive interests include behavioral economics or political behavior or political psychology. Candidates are expected to have advanced training in econometric, experimental, and/or formal methods. Candidates should have defended their dissertations by August 30, 2012 but an exception may be made for an otherwise well-qualified applicant.

Candidates will be expected to teach one graduate-level course per semester. We will be especially interested in candidates who can teach some combination of the following: a PhD-level course in Maximum Likelihood Methods; an MA-level course in political psychology or behavior; a PhD-level elective in methodology; or a PhD-level course in American Politics. The candidate will also be expected to be an active research member of our department.

The State University of New York at Stony Brook is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Applications from women, people of color, disabled individuals, special disabled veterans or Vietnam era veterans are especially welcome. If you require a disability related accommodation, please contact Ms. Pamela Wolfskill, 631-632-7688. We will begin considering applications on March 26, 2012 and will continue to do so until the position is filled. Visit www.stonybrook.edu/jobs (click on Post Doc). Send STATE EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION, c.v., letters of recommendation, samples of written work, and transcript to Post-Doctoral Associate Search, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY 11794-4392 or pamela.wolfskill@stonybrook.edu. Candidates who previously applied for our 2012-13 tenure track position may simply send an email requesting consideration to Pamela.Wolfskill@stonybrook.edu.

**VISITING FACULTY POSITION
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
MARTIN SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION**

The Martin School of Public Policy and Administration at the University of Kentucky is recruiting to fill a visiting faculty position at the assistant professor level beginning in August 2012. We seek outstanding scholars who can contribute to our professional master's degree programs. We are particularly interested in candidates with research and teaching interests in one or more of the following primary or secondary areas of interest:

- Public Financial Management
- Public Management
- Public Policy

The Martin School is a University Center of Excellence with a multidisciplinary faculty. We offer three degrees: Ph.D. in public policy and administration, master of public administration, and a master of public policy. We also offer a joint J.D./MPA and a joint Pharm.D./MPA.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Review of applications will begin immediately. All interested applicants should send a letter of application, a curriculum vitae, and a recent working paper or publication either as email attachments to donna.owsley@uky.edu or by mail to: Faculty Search Committee, Martin School of Public Policy and Administration, 419 Patterson Office Tower, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0027. Candidates should arrange for three letters of recommendation to be sent as well. Candidates should have

completed a relevant Ph.D or other doctorate prior to August. However, exceptional doctoral students nearing completion may also be considered.

The University of Kentucky is an Equal Opportunity University. We encourage applications from individuals with disabilities, women, African Americans, and members of other minorities.

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Founding Faculty Positions (Open and Senior Ranks)

School of Public Policy and International Affairs

Application deadline: Full Or Part Time: May 15, 2012 Full-time (with part-time option)

Description

The School of Public Policy and International Affairs (SPPIA) at Central European University in Budapest is launching the first of several major waves of faculty hirings. CEU was established by George Soros in 1991 as an international graduate-level university. A new interdisciplinary school at the University, SPPIA seeks Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors who will join its founding faculty. Faculty will shape SPPIA's research agenda and teaching programs as well as spearhead the establishment of new policy research centers in Budapest and globally. We are looking for academic entrepreneurs ready to contribute to a vibrant intellectual community committed to improving public policy worldwide through innovative teaching, excellent research and extensive engagement with policy practice, including by cooperating with CEU's sister organization, the Open Society Foundations, and its many civil society partners across the globe.

We are offering the following senior-level position: George Soros Chair in Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation (2012/013)

And open rank positions in the following areas:

International Relations and Global Governance (2012/014)

Public Administration and Management with a focus on the study of organizations including civil society (2012/015)

Comparative Politics (2012/016)

Law and Public Policy (2012/017)

Political Sociology with a focus on the development of state-society relations across cultures and histories (2012/018)

Applied Research Methods with a focus on quantitative and qualitative evaluation (2012/019)

Economics and Public Policy (2012/020)

Political Economy and Development (2012/021)

The ideal candidates will:

- Have outstanding academic credentials (Ph.D. and an internationally recognized publications record) and pursue an ambitious research agenda;
- Exhibit a passion for teaching and an openness to employ innovative teaching methods;
- Have the ambition and talent to influence public policy debates;
- Be committed to building a world-class institution

Compensation

An internationally competitive salary is offered commensurate with experience.

How to Apply

Submit applications electronically to advert@ceu.hu including the above relevant job code (e.g. 2012/013) in the subject line. Please include: (1) cover letter with qualifications and brief statement of purpose, (2) curriculum vitae, (3) a record of notable publications and scholarship, and (4) names and contact information for at least three references. Review of applications will begin on May 15, 1 2012 and continue until positions are filled. Earliest possible starting date is September 1, 2012. For informal inquiries, contact SPPIA Dean Wolfgang Reinicke at sppia@ceu.hu.

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About the School for Public Policy and International Affairs SPPIA aspires to become (in the words of its founder George Soros) a “new kind of global institution dealing with global problems”. In its degree and non-degree programs (including executive education), SPPIA aims to create an educational experience that involves not only the acquisition of skills and knowledge but also the cultivation of a mindset that emphasizes entrepreneurship, innovation, cultural awareness and a commitment to the public good. Commencing in September 2013, SPPIA’s two-year professional Master degree program will attract exceptional students from across the globe who seek a transformational experience to prepare them for a career as change-makers in the public, civil society, and private sectors. SPPIA plans to establish the following areas of concentration in teaching and research: Global Europe, Human Security, Development, Media and Communication, Human Rights and Humanitarianism as well as Energy and the Environment. Building on Central European University’s rich traditions of promoting diversity and open societies, the SPPIA will cultivate a rigorous interdisciplinary environment and a dynamic laboratory of ideas.

About Central European University

Central European University (CEU) is a research-intensive university specializing in graduate education in the social sciences, humanities, law and business. It is located in Budapest, and accredited in the United States and Hungary. The language of instruction is English. CEU’s mission is to promote academic excellence, state-of-the-art research, and civic engagement, in order to contribute to the development of open societies around the world. CEU offers both master and doctoral programs, and enrolls more than 1500 students from over 100 nations. The teaching staff consists of more than 140 resident faculty members from over 40 countries, and a large number of prominent visiting scholars from around the world.

University of San Francisco
Assistant or Associate Professor of Health Care Administration- Tenure Track

The University of San Francisco School of Management seeks applicants for a tenure-track faculty position at the rank of assistant or associate professor in the Department of Public and Nonprofit Administration starting in Fall 2012. The School seeks applicants with a primary specialization in health care administration. Secondary specializations in health care finance and human resource management would also be desirable.

Job Responsibilities:

Successful experience of teaching in these areas at the graduate and undergraduate levels is preferred and practical knowledge of the health care industry would be an advantage. This new position will help us expand and enhance our health services teaching and research capabilities and help us identify new and distinctive opportunities in this exciting and dynamic field.

Minimum Qualifications:

A successful candidate must meet the following minimum qualifications:

- (1) an earned doctorate in public administration/health services administration or a related field by the time of appointment;
- (2) an expectation of excellence in teaching; and (3) an established or emerging research program.

The successful candidate will teach both undergraduate and graduate courses and will be expected to teach in the MPA online program.

The candidate will also be expected to undertake scholarly research in a collaborative and supportive environment that welcomes inter-disciplinary and practice-oriented scholarship as well as discipline-based, theoretical work. Candidates should have published, or demonstrate the potential to publish, in high quality scholarly journals.

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