ISP Welcomes Professor Derrick Hindery

Our newest faculty member, Professor Derrick Hindery, arrived in Eugene this past Fall 2007, straight from fieldwork in Bolivia!

Professor Hindery received his M.A. and Ph.D. in Geography from UCLA and has taught at UCLA, USC, University of Hawaii at Hilo and California State University Northridge. This winter, he began teaching International Community Development and Development and Social Change in Latin America. This Spring he offered International Environmental Issues and Environment and Development in the Geography department.

Prof. Hindery’s research examines Latin American development policies and the social and environmental impacts of economic globalization. His work largely centers on analyzing effects of international (continued on page 5)

ISP Student’s Photo Project in a Kenya Slum

Nick Blakey, a junior International Studies major, spent the fall of 2007 on a study abroad in Kenya. After some unexpected changes of plans, Nick started an incredible photography project with kids who live in the Mathare slum outside of Nairobi. Nick gave 10 disposable cameras to five girls and five boys. He asked them to take pictures capturing their lives in the slums. After developing the photos, Nick asked the kids to write a caption, which he transposed onto the pictures. One of Nick’s favorite pictures is entitled ‘Bravely Born.’ (continued on page 4)

ISP Director Greetings

It’s been a great year for International Studies! We welcomed a terrific colleague this year, Derrick Hindery. We underwent a very successful program review last spring. And best of all, just before this newsletter went to press, the University announced that International Studies will become a department (continued on page 6)

New Scholarship from Oregon Consular Corps

The Oregon Consular Corps (OCC), the group that brings together the many consulates of foreign governments in our state, has begun a generous new scholarship program for our majors. Each year, the Consular Corps will offer two $2500 scholarship to help students with study abroad or overseas internships.

The first scholarships were awarded at the OCC annual banquet in January 2008. Our two winners -- Daniel Kalmen and Alison Fox -- were honored at the awards banquet at the Portland Museum of Art. Congratulations Danny and Alison, and many thanks to this generous gift from the OCC!
After graduating with a B.A. from ISP in 2005, Travis moved to England for graduate study in environmental economics and international development at the London School of Economics (LSE). His Master’s thesis investigated the successes of state-led climate action at the Oregon Department of Energy. Thinking about his time at LSE, Travis says, “ISP gave me a leg up on my peers in London in that it exposed me to the most relevant academic material in the field. The academic themes that came up in grad school were the same ones I’d been working on as an ISP student, which proved to be a huge advantage in the classroom.”

After LSE, Travis moved to Washington, D.C., to work for Congressman Peter De-Fazio. He currently manages a legislative portfolio that includes issues such as civil liberties, human rights, intelligence, education, and the judiciary.

As a Legislative Assistant, Travis researches bills before Congress, briefs the Congressman on his issues areas, and helps draft legislation. When asked what it’s like to work on Capitol Hill, Travis responded: “Every day is different. I love that it’s a job that requires constant learning. I love the pace of work. And as an Oregonian, I like knowing what I’m doing is for the community I grew up in.”

Cerise Roth-Vinson is currently the Director of Administration at Mobility International USA (MIUSA), a Eugene-based organization, which seeks to empower people with disabilities around the world to achieve their human rights. While a Master’s student, Roth-Vinson interned with MIUSA and spent four months in Yemen studying Arabic & conducting research for her thesis. Roth-Vinson happily states that she works for an “amazing organization,” and that her work is a “constant challenge” that takes her around the world including to Jordan, Bahrain, Japan, the United Arab Emirates, & more. Since graduation she has built her career in a variety of jobs, including working for SSIL at the University of Oregon & with the Northwest Regional Educational Lab in Portland. After a stint in The Gambia with the Peace Corps, Cerise & her husband eventually returned to Eugene where she manages federal grant projects at Mobility International and is raising their daughter.

Roth-Vinson notes the close mentorship of professors as pivotal to establishing a fulfilling career path focused on issues of equity and human rights. When asked what advice she would give other ISP graduates, she says, “follow your passion and your heart and choose an organization that can guide and mentor you.”
## International Studies

### Summer Courses

**Pre-Session (zero week, June 16 to 20)**
- INTL 199: Introduction to International Issues, Wooten
- INTL 407/507: SE Asian Society through Film, Carpenter

**Session I: Weeks 1-4, June 23 to July 18**
- INTL 240: Perspectives on Int’l Development
- INTL 250: Value Systems in Cross-Cultural Persp, Carpenter
- INTL 410/510: Global Sports and Politics, Mezahav
- INTL 399 Smuggling in Global Perspective, Mezahav

**Eight Week Session (June 23 to August 15)**
- INTL 200: Global Perspectives in Cross-Cultural Persp, Carpenter
- INTL 410/510: Global Sports and Politics, Mezahav
- INTL 399 Smuggling in Global Perspective, Mezahav

**Session II: Weeks 5-8, July 21 to August 15**
- INTL 260: Culture, Capitalism & Globalization, Wooten
- INTL 407/507 Indian Society through Film, Weiss
- INTL 431/531 Cross-Cultural Communication, Hendrick
- INTL 410/510 Sustainable Tourism, Ringer

### International Weekends

- INTL 399 Global Perspective on Disability, 8/23–24, Sygall
- INTL 399 Latin America through Film I: Central America, 7/12-13, Hindery
- INTL 399 Latin America through Film II: South America, 7/19–20, Hindery
- INTL 399 Militant Islam II: Manifestations Today, 6/28–29, Weiss

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**ISP Welcomes New Colleague Prof. Derrick Hindery**

(ISP Founder Clancey Thurber’s vision of a program that is “truly international in academic offerings, its student body and its educational philosophy.”)

We’re also pleased to welcome to the ISP community Derrick’s wife Vania Glasinovic, and two and a half year old daughter Mara, (named after his favorite tree in Bolivia, Mahogany)! Vania, originally from Bolivia, has worked as an environmental attorney in California, Bolivia, and soon Oregon. She is now a Program Assistant at the Eugene-based nonprofit; ELAW (Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide) where she is thrilled to help lawyers from Latin America, and beyond, protect the environment and marginalized communities.

Derrick’s current research examines Enron and Shell’s construction of the Cuiabá natural gas pipeline through the most intact tall dry tropical forest in the world, Bolivia’s Chiquitano Forest and Pantanal Wetlands. The project significantly impacted these regions, as well as Chiquitano and Ayoreo indigenous communities. His research also focuses on “how indigenous groups mobilized to prevent and mitigate impacts through nonviolent direct actions like road blocks, letter writing and press outreach.”

At present, Derrick is excited to analyze liquefied natural gas (LNG) receiving terminals proposed for construction in Coos Bay and along the Columbia River, to explore social and environmental impacts along the commodity chain, from source of gas production, such as Bolivia and Peru, to site of consumption in the US.

“**I’m extremely pleased to have Derrick Hindery as a colleague. As Undergraduate Coordinator, I’ve seen a growing interest in Latin American studies among students. Derrick helps serve that need in a way that expands on the diversity and interdisciplinary nature of our program.”**

**Kathie Carpenter**
ISP Faculty News

Bruce Blonigen finished work (funded by the National Science Foundation) on import protection for the US steel industry. He asked: do tariffs or import restrictions help the US steel industry? Have foreign subsidies hurt US steel? He’s also studies how Chinese exporters learned from foreign companies in China, and on international merger waves. Bruce presented his work in many locales, including the World Bank, International Monetary Fund, the University of Missouri, & the National Bureau of Economic Research.

Kathie Carpenter conducted field research this winter in Cambodia, undertaking participant observation in orphanages to assess the role that children play in caregiving for other children. This is part of a comparative research project examining the inner working of orphanages and adoption in China and Cambodia. She will conduct fieldwork in both countries this summer for this project.

Dennis Galvan traveled to Indonesia and Senegal for field research for a new book, Everyday Nation Building: Reworking Political Community in Senegal and Central Java. His analysis of Senegal’s 2007 elections will appear in Electoral Studies later this year. He’s finishing two articles on creativity and institutional change that draw on the work of John Dewey and Michel de Certeau. Dennis presented at an international conference in South Korea on globalization, helped brief the new US ambassador to Senegal, and contributed to a National Intelligence Estimate on Climate Change and International Security. He also was named the UO Mortar Board Professor of the Term in Fall 2007, and won the UO’s Thomas. F. Herman Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Anita Weiss spent much of this year working on Pakistan’s political crisis. In October, she went to Pakistan in time for Pervez Musharraf to declare a state of emergency. By March, she helped organize “Political Transformations in Pakistan,” a major conference in which scholars from both Pakistan and the US helped make sense of the factors catalyzing political transformations in Pakistan today. Anita published a chapter in Asian Islam in the 21st Century (Oxford Univ. Press, 2008) and is now in the final editing process of Pathways to Power: the Domestic Politics of South Asia (Rowman & Littlefield, 2009). She also served as the chairperson of the UO Intercollegiate Athletics Committee this past year.

Stephen Wooten has been busy working on his book The Art of Livelihood: Agrarian Change and Expressive Culture on the Mande Plateau. At the African Studies meeting, he presented “Bamana Cekorobaw Fenw: Artful Agency in the Realm of Power.” He was on leave in winter to welcome the newest member of his family, a daughter, Helena Wren. In June, Stephen will travel to Portugal to present a paper at the International Conference on Mande Studies and will be returning to Mali for field research in the summer. Stephen continues to administer a Title VI grant for enhancing African Studies at the UO and this year, building on the grant, African Studies was upgraded to a formal academic program with what is proving to be a popular minor.

ISP Undergrad Photography Project (from p1)

Nick explains: “At a very young age, children of Mathare possess a remarkable amount of maturity due to the burden of family responsibilities. In a large family, older siblings look after the younger ones when the parents are away. At times this means that a six year old might have to look after, feed, bathe and clothe children younger than them.”

A commercial fisherman in Alaska during the summer, Nick originally planned to do an independent project on fisheries in East Africa. He changed his plans after an inspiring lecture in Nairobi. The presenter explained how you can identify a poor family in Kenya: they are unable to buy tea. This forced Nick to consider how ‘people perceive things,’ as well as the need for varying perspectives on social development.

Nick’s photos have been on display at the EMU and at the Bamboo Grove Salon, a small art gallery in Portland. With the help of his Kenyan host brother, Nick has been able to continue this project, helping youth document the post-election violence in Kenya. Nick reminds us that, ‘the voices of children are never heard,’ particularly in times of conflict. This September Nick plans to return to Kenya for three weeks to continue this project.
Many Thanks to Our Generous Contributors!

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Maki Okusa
Child Labor in Asia: Challenges & Responses of the International Labour Organization in Thailand & India

Yasuko Soeda
Education & Empowerment of Women: Impact of the Community Based Organization in Takaungu, Kenya

2008 Commencement Speaker Jennifer Lewis

Our Commencement speaker this year, Jennifer Lewis, graduated in 2002 from the University of Oregon with Master’s degrees in International Studies and Planning, Public Policy and Management. She then received a prestigious Presidential Management Fellowship, which took her to the US Congress and the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Today, Ms. Lewis is an International Analyst for the International Activities Office of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. In her work with NOAA, she helps developing countries improve their capabilities for severe storm prediction and coordinates among organizations that play a role in weather, climate monitoring, and emergency response.

ISP Director Greetings (continued from page 1)

effective Fall 2008!

This is a much deserved acknowledgement of the importance of our curriculum and the research our faculty and students do all over the world. We’re already department sized in terms of majors (over 200) and grad students served (10 new MA students every year). Becoming a department gives us a bit more control as well as a higher profile. It’s also a signal that the UO sees the International Studies Department as a central player in the ongoing effort to internationalize the university.

When our colleagues from the University of Washington, University of Chicago and DePaul University reviewed our program last year, they wondered out loud why we were not yet a department, even as they marveled at how we do so much teaching, advising and research with so few resources.

Our faculty & students are our strength. Our new colleague Prof. Hindery wonderfully compliments our research & teaching. With the generous support of parents, families & loved ones, our students continue to make amazing connections & contributions worldwide.

So this is a time when I get to say how proud I am of this program, its people and extended family of staff, parents, friends, relations and donors -- Many thanks!!

Dennis Galvan, ISP Director
A Note on our Graduate Speaker: Maki Okusa

“I always wanted to work with children,” notes Maki Okusa. It is no surprise that her graduate thesis, entitled “Child Labor in Asia, Challenges and responses of the International Labor Organization in India and Thailand,” focuses explicitly on the rights of children and child labor. Maki, originally from Nara, Japan, is committed to making a difference for poor children in the world. While an undergraduate at Kyoto University of Foreign Studies, Maki studied abroad in Chile. After graduation she worked for two years in Buenos Aires, Argentina, for the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Maki interned with the International Labor Organization in Thailand for five months in 2007, where she collected data for her ISP MA thesis. She then went to Bolivia for three months on an internship with JICA, conducting gender analysis on maternal and reproductive health programs. After her graduation, Maki plans to get more experience in the field, ultimately leading her to a position with the UN or JICA. Congratulations to Maki and all of the ISP Graduates of 2008!

KYRGYZ COOKING
By Aida Jolosheva, ISP MA Student (from Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan)

The Kyrgyz are a very hospitable people who value guests by offering every food they have on their dastorkon (table). When receiving guests in their homes, Kyrgyz families never let them leave without slaughtering a sheep. Meat is central to Kyrgyz cooking because the nomadic way of life made it hard to grow fruit and vegetables. In the north, they prepare Beshbarmak, a traditional meal consisting of meat and pasta. In the south, they offer Plov, an aromatic lamb and rice dish. For Kyrgyz people, Plov isn’t just an ordinary meal, it is a ceremony complete with its own traditions and customs.

**Plov**

*Ingredients*
- 3 lbs. lamb, cubed (shoulder and rump best)
- 3 onions
- Several carrots
- 1.5 c brown rice (basmati also OK)
- 1/2 c oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 bulb of garlic
- 1 handful of raisins
- Pepper, kinza (coriander seeds), Cumin seeds (to taste)

*Instructions*
1. Fry onions on medium heat until they are dark, then add the meat and salt. Add spices — pepper, cumin seeds, kinza (coriander) — and after 2-3 minutes add cut carrots and fry them for about 10 minutes. Stew meat on medium heat for 30 minutes.
2. Wash the rice in cold water, drain, and set it aside. In a separate pot, boil 4 cups of water, then add rice. Add rice and raisins on top of the stewed meat. Put salt in hot water and add to mixture above the rice; the water will be 1 centimeter above the rice. Place the bulb of garlic in the center. Turn up the heat to high temperature for 5 minutes, then lower to simmer. Close the kazan (iron pot) with a lid wrapped with a towel. Leave for 30 minutes, then turn off heat and let stand for an additional 15-20 minutes. Decorate with parsley and dill. Now it’s ready to eat!
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