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Nobel Laureate Vernon Smith Provides Expert Analysis of the Economic Crisis

On March 31, 2011, undergraduates in professor Igor Kopylov's Behavioral Economics course along with CSD faculty, graduate students, and other members of the campus community gathered for Vernon L. Smith's guest lecture, titled "Learning from the Crisis of 2007-20XX." The ongoing economic crisis is a subject of much popular interest, and Smith, as a 2002 Nobel Laureate in Economics, commanded and a large and diverse audience, including UCI's own Chancellor Michael Drake, all of whom were interested in hearing his take on this important issue.

As the father of experimental economics, Smith presented evidence to suggest that economic crises originate from volatile markets, like those for housing. Smith pointed out that the \$10 trillion loss to stock values following the Dotcom crash in 2000-2002 had virtually no impact on the banking sector, while the \$3 trillion loss in home values in 2006-2007 caused much more severe outcomes: as Smith said, "the banks buckled, the economy tanked, and the Fed intervened." As for the forces behind the economic crisis, Smith highlighted the importance of containing bubbles in the housing market via property rights rules in the mortgage origination process.

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Berkeley Professor Margaret Weir Discusses Creating Justice for the Poor in the "New Metropolis"

Margaret Weir, professor of Political Science and Sociology and the Director of Building Resilient Regions Network at UC Berkeley, delivered the Robin M. Williams, Jr. Lecture on May 12, 2011. Weir's talk was called, "Creating Justice for the Poor in the New Metropolis." Focusing on poverty as a political issue, Weir emphasized changes in the location and the expectations of the poor.

According to Weir, there are a host of organizational and political challenges stemming from various welfare reforms requiring the poor to work in addition to the spatial shift of poverty into the suburbs. These suburban areas of poverty are "new places of poverty" that are frequently lacking in the infrastructure necessary to assist the poor. Weir talked about several main forces that have contributed to this situation: the reliance on nonprofit organizations for service delivery to the poor, the devolution and privatization of services since the 1970s, and the "defensive localism" attitude suburban governments use to keep minority and low-income populations out of their territories. *Continued on Page 11* UC IRVINE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRACY 2010-2011 2010-2011 CSD Graduate Fellows



Ralph Ittonen Hosoki, Daisy Reyes, Dana Moss, Neil Chaturvedi, and Ryan Shirah

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Okamoto Discusses Immigrant Civic Engagement

Dina Okamoto, associate professor of sociology at the University of California, Davis, presented her research to a lunchtime seminar of CSD-affiliated faculty and graduate students on October 22, 2010.

Okamoto's research is focused on determining what factors encourage civic participation among immigrants. While previous research has focused on collective action and political participation among immigrant populations, Okamoto discusses civic participation as public, group-based efforts to improve a local community, solve problems, or work together in service of another goal.

While Okamoto's research was of interest to a broad audience of CSD affiliates, the graduate students in attendance at this event especially benefitted from discussing her paper, which she described as a "work in progress." Much of the discussion revolved around issues of data collection and analysis, and the graduate student audience seemed engaged in learning from Okamoto as well as suggesting some interesting directions for future research.

Junn Discusses Minority Voters in California Elections

Recent electoral results have led many to wonder if California is a "forever blue" state where Republican wins will be few and far between. On February 16, 2011, CSD faculty and graduate students were able to hear an expert take on this issue when Jane Junn, professor of political science as the University of Southern California, visited UCI for a lunchtime seminar.

Junn presented research from the USC College/Los Angeles Times 2010 election polls, election data from the California Secretary of State's office, and results from the 2008 National Asian American Survey to argue that California is by no means "forever blue." She identifies several constituencies that have been decisive in recent elections as potential sources of support for any political candidate or party who is successfully able to mobilize them: the "decline to state" voters and minority voters, who make up 17% and 33% of the California electorate, respectfully. *Continued on Page 11*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2010-2011

Mark Paul and Joe Mathews "California Crackup: How Reform Broke the Golden State and How We Can Fix It" Constitutional Reform Forum October 13, 2010

Michael McBride Associate Professor, UC Irvine Economics of Conflict workshop October 15, 2010

Dina Okamoto Associate Professor, UC Davis Democracy Lunch October 22, 2010

Deborah Avant Professor, UC Irvine Democracy Lunch, October 29, 2010

Hilde Coffé, Assistant Professor, Utrecht University, and Katie Bolzendahl, Assistant Professor, UC Irvine Democracy Brown Bag November 10, 2010

Heather Smith Professor, Lewis and Clark College and Visiting Research Fellow Law & Latte November 17, 2010 Mark R. Warren Associate Professor, Harvard University Democracy Lunch December 1, 2010

Patrick Simon Institut National d'Estudes Demographiques "Discrimination in a Colorblind Society: Are Racial Divisions Shaping the French Model of Integration?" Colloquium January 19, 2011

Ondrej Cisar, Seppe Verheyen, and Katerina Vrablikova Meet the Visitors Lunch January 20, 2011

Ondrej Cisar, Associate Professor, Masaryk University and the Academy of Sciences and Katerina Vrabliokova, Visiting Researcher, Masaryk University Social Movements workshop February 14, 2011

Jane Junn Professor, USC Democracy Lunch February 16, 2011

Christoph Steinhardt Visiting Researcher, The Chinese University of Hong Kong Social Movements workshop February 21, 2011

"Democracy in Translation: How Multilingual Movements Transform Deliberative Politics" Social Movements workshop February 28, 2011 Vernon L. Smith Nobel Laureate in Economics "Learning from the Crisis of 2007-20??." Economics of Governance Lecture March 31, 2011

Craig Brians Associate Professor, Virginia Tech Democracy lunch April 8, 2011

Reuben Kline Max Weber Post-Doctoral Fellow at European University Institute Democracy lunch April 12, 2011

Menachem Hofnung Professor and Visiting Researcher, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Law and Latte April 27, 2011

Ariel I. Ahram Assistant Professor, University of Oklahoma "The Crisis of Arab Authoritarianism" Colloquium May 4, 2011

Giuditta Caliendo University of Napoli and University of Washington "Italy's Other Mafia: A Journey into Cross-Cultural Translation" Colloquium May 12, 2011

Margaret Weir Professor, UC Berkeley "Creating Justice for the Poor in the New Metropolis" Robert M. Williams, Jr. Lecture and Lunch May 12, 2011

CSD CONFERENCES 2010-2011

The 7th Annual **"Irvine-Japan Conference on Public Policy"** Co-sponsored by the UCI Department of Economics and CSD Organized by Amihai Glazer, February 11, 2011

International research conference **"Mapping and Tracking Global Cultural Change"** Co-organized by Russell Dalton and CSD international affiliate Christian Welzel March 11, 2011

Conference on **"Election** Administration in the United States: The Aftermath of Bush v. Gore, 10 Years Later" Co-organized by Bernard Grofman and Michael Alvarez, Cal Tech/MIT Voting Technology Project April 16-17, 2011

7th Annual Graduate Student Conference **"Empirical Democratic Theory"** Co-organized by Charles"Tony" Smith and Evan Schofer, with the help of CSD Democracy Fellows May 7, 2011.

International research conference

"Internet, Voting, and Democracy"

Co-organized by Bernard Grofman, Alex Trechsel, and Mark Franklin, European University Institute, Florence May 14-15, 2011.

California Crackup Authors Mark Paul and Joe Mathews discuss the Role of California's Political System in the Economic Crisis

Mark Paul and Joe Mathews, co-authors of *California Crackup: How Reform Broke the Golden State and How We Can Fix It* (2010), visited UCI on October 13, 2010 to engage the campus community in a discussion of what role our state's political system plays in some of our current economic and political crises. After having a small but lively discussion with UCI faculty and graduate students, Paul and Mathews spent the afternoon addressing the undergrads in political science professor Matthew Beckmann's Introduction to American Government course.

Paul and Mathews unraveled California's complex political system, from the time of its "improvised" founding amidst the chaos and excitement of the Gold Rush to the more current issues of inflexibility and stalemates in the face of economic crisis. The founding constitution of California neglected the issue of how to fund the resulting government, and the following waves of constitutional change produced a rather distinctive set of features of our political landscape, including single-member legislative districts, the initiative process, and the supermajorities required for the approval of budgets and other important pieces of legislation.

Paul and Mathews explain how these three aspects of the institutional structure of California work together to create a rigid and inflexible political system that is incapable of responding to crises. The take-home message of the talk was that things are not working in California at present because the structure is set up in a way that cannot work.

However, Paul and Mathews did not leave listeners without hope or a plan for the future. They put forth a plan to redesign California's political structure, integrating the three features of the state they discuss in a new and different way that allows them to work with each other rather than at crosspurposes. They propose multi-member election districts, the elimination of supermajorities, and changes to the initiative process, which, taken together, will provide more power both to legislators and also to voters.

The speakers began and ended their talk with a special message to the undergrads in Prof. Beckmann's class. California has always been a place where people have come to from somewhere else, and those in the 15-25 year age group (including most of the audience) are, in fact, going to be the first "homegrown majority" that California has ever had. The authors put forth a provocative argument about how California's crises are built into the system and challenged the new generation of leaders in the audience to be active in the process of redesigning the state.

CSD Sponsors the Seventh Annual Graduate Student Conference.

The Seventh Annual Center for the Study of Democracy Graduate Student Conference was on May 7, 2011. The conference theme was "Empirical Democratic Theory" and graduate students from UC Irvine as well as other institutions came together to present their research on a variety of topics. At least one CSD affiliated faculty member served as the discussant on each panel, and provided commentary on the collective themes of the papers as well as suggestions for improvement or future research.

Panels included "New Explanations of Political Participation," "Democracy and the Market," "Democratic Politics in Comparative Perspective," and "Inequality, Identity, and Collective Action." Over the course of the day, participants heard a variety of exciting new research on a wide spectrum of topics, including how Eastern religions influence political participation, how labor union mergers impact union democracy, how "constitutional coups" have been used to advance executive power in Latin America, and how local and translocal communities have been formed around issues of sex work politics via blogs. *Continued on Page 5*

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Smith suggested some methods for discouraging speculative investing, such as linking mortgage origination fees to the borrower's time profile and collateralizing credit-default swaps, which would help contain bubbles in the housing market and limit their collateral damage.

After Smith's talk, Chancellor Drake asked Smith what he sees coming in the near future with regards to a recovery from this crisis. After apologizing for not being able to give an optimistic answer to this question, Smith noted that recovery from previous economic turmoil has always been associated with recovery in housing markets. He stated that the relative prices for housing and other goods need to be much more equal, which could happen if housing prices come down another 10-15% or if inflation kicks in to make up the difference. However, Smith noted that the recovery from this particular crisis has not fully extended to housing markets, and he noted that if we continue to recover economically without seeing improvement in housing markets, it will be the first time in the recent past. Smith opened and closed his lecture with the same theme regarding the crisis - "it's not over 'til it's over..."

Visiting Russell Sage Scholar Discusses Racial Divisions in "Colorblind" France

CSD faculty and graduate students were able to gain an international perspective on issues of race, ethnicity, and immigrant incorporation when Patrick Simon presented his research on January 19, 2011. Though France has long presented a "republican model of integration" where its diverse population is concerned, the findings from Patrick Simon's research illustrate that this idea of ethnic un-differentation may be more of a myth than anything else.

In spite of the stated model of integration, there is well acknowledged discrimination in French society. Nevertheless, attempts to identify which groups are most discriminated against have met with much controversy (including Simon's own research project), perhaps because they "make the invisible visible" and provide tangible evidence that the ideal of French equality is "more formal than effective," as Simon says.

The main question guiding Simon's investigation is whether ethnicity and race impact opportunities and outcomes among individuals in France. He presented quantitative evidence indicating that race, ethnicity, and nativity are important influences on opportunities and outcomes of individuals, even after controlling for human capital and other indicators of one's social background. Specifically, Simon demonstrated that those of certain ethnicities, those of the 2nd immigrant generation, and those born in overseas departments are all at a greater risk of negative outcomes, such as unemployment or residential segregation.

Simon's research provided the context for an interesting comparative discussion among CSD faculty and graduate students who specialize in issues of race, ethnicity, and immigration.

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Guest speaker Stephen Burgard, who is the director of the School of Journalism at Northeastern University, presented a lunchtime talk called, "Media and the Political Season Ahead," where he commented on the challenges the press faces in covering politics. Burgard commented on the difficulty in striking a balance between the coverage of serious political issues and the trivialities evident in recent political dialogues.

As usual, the annual CSD graduate student conference provided a day of exciting new research, stimulating debate, and directions for future research.

CSD Faculty Organizes Conferences

CSD affiliated faculty members organized three conferences throughout the Winter and Spring of 2011. On March 11, 2011, Russell J. Dalton and Christian Welzel (Professor of Political Culture at Leuphana University, Germany) organized a conference called "Mapping and Tracking Global Cultural Change." This conference was the second of a two-part series that sought to unite prominent scholars who have collaborated on and used the World Values Survey. Participants gathered together to discuss the key insights that have come out of analysis of the World Values Survey data as well as to identify puzzles and other unresolved issues that need future attention. Of special note was the concluding lecture by Ronald Inglehart, called "A Reflection on the World Values Survey and its Impact."

On April 16-17, 2011, Bernie Grofman and Michael Alvarez (Professor of Political Science at Cal Tech) organized a conference called "The Aftermath of Bush v. Gore: Ten Years Later," which was held in the beautiful and relaxing setting of the Hotel Laguna, in Laguna Beach. The conference brought together a diverse group of scholars organized into four panels on topics ranging from voting technology, voting outside of polling places, voting eligibility, and the events that have occurred in the "footsteps" of Bush v. Gore. A wide collection of papers were presented, including papers on ballot design, absentee voting, voter confidence, and public perceptions of Bush v. Gore.

On May 14-15, 2011, Bernie Grofman, Alex Trechsel (Professor of Political Science at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy), and Mark Franklin (Professor of Comparative Politics at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy) organized a conference called "Internet, Voting, and Democracy." Once again, participants engaged in spirited scholarly debate about the conference theme at the Hotel Laguna in Laguna Beach. The conference was organized into four panels: "Political Parties, Social Movements, and Political Participation," "Non Polling Place Voting," "Information Gathering," and "Democracy." An exciting collection of papers were presented, including papers on online engagement and voting decisions, digital campaigning in the UK's 2010 election, consequences of online political rumoring, and the role of new technologies in nonviolent revolutions.

UC IRVINE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRACY 2010-2011 **Message from the Director**

CSD's mission is to foster faculty research. CSD uses the bulk of its funds in the form of small seed grants specifically linked to faculty research, especially projects leading to proposals for extramural support and/or to books, such as proposals for conferences that can be expected result in edited volumes from leading presses (see list of major 2010-11 CSD seed grant funding elsewhere in this newsletter). The programs of Democracy lunches and colloquia, workshops and seminars, and the major research conferences we support, along with occasional public events, are all intended to foster a climate of research innovation and excitement (see list of events elsewhere in this newsletter, averaging more than one event per week during the academic year). Although 2010-11 continued a period of economic retrenchment for the University of California, with CSD's operating budget from the university taking a further cut, CSD was able to continue a high level of research activities, and we furthered our international visibility with a stream of international visitors and with three international conferences.

I am especially pleased that CSD was able to provide the seed funding to Russ Dalton that led to a March 2011 international conference at UCI on "The World Values Survey: Mapping and Tracking Global Cultural Change." This conference is in the nature of a Festschrift volume for Ronald Inglehart, University of Michigan, founder and still Director of the World Values Survey, which is now disseminated by a large team of scholars in more than 90 countries. CSD faculty and graduate students have long been involved with the World Value Survey, including running a previous wave of the survey in Vietnam. This conference is distinguished in two other ways. First it is another of what we in CSD are calling binational conferences – conferences which have two parts, one held in the U.S., the other held in another country. The "other half" of this conference was held at Leuphana University, in Luneburg Germany, under the direction of Christian Welzel, Associate Director of the World Values Survey and a long-time CSD international visitor. Second, this conference was the second of what CSD has designated as our "signature" conferences. These are major international conferences, to be held one per year, rotating in topic areas among the five major research foci within CSD. CSD's first "signature" conference, held during the 2009-10 academic year, brought to UCI nearly two dozen distinguished academic experts for a stocktaking of the long run repercussions of the tumultuous events of 1989. Proceedings of this conference, "The Fall of the Berlin Wall and Tiananmen Square: 20 Years Later," are being published by Oxford University Press in a volume coedited by Dorie Solinger (Political Science) and Nina Bandelj (Sociology). We anticipate that the "World Values" conference(s) will also result in a major book publication. The third CSD "signature" conference, on "The Judicialization of Politics: Global Perspectives," is already set for the 2011-12 academic year. It will be held in conjunction with a research section of the International Political Science Association. Here we expect that a selection of the papers given at this conference will appear as a special mini-symposium issue of a journal.

In addition to the "World Values" conference CSD sponsored two other international conferences in 2010-11: the 7th Annual "Irvine-Japan Conference on Political Economy," and a conference on "The Internet, Voting, and Democracy." The latter is another bi-national conference. One part was held at UCI, the other part was held at the European University Institute in Florence (Fiesole), under the direction of Professor Alex Trechsel and Mark Franklin. CSD also ran two additional conferences: the 7th annual California Graduate Student Conference (co-organized by Charles "Tony" Smith (Political Science), and Evan Schofer (Sociology), with further help from Carolyn Bramlett, and with the able assistance of graduate students Sharmaine Jackson, Danvy Le, Dana Nakano, Fatima Rahman) that brought in more than a dozen graduate students from seven different universities to give papers on topics related to democracy and democratization that were critiqued by UCI and other faculty; and a conference on "Election Administration in the United States: The Long Term Impact of Bush v. Gore" that was co-organized by the Cal Tech/MIT Voting Technology Project and CSD, under the joint direction of Michael Alvarez at Cal Tech and myself.

An important element of CSD's research mission is to encourage interdisciplinary connections among CSD's faculty and affiliated graduate students in the three disciplines of political science, economics and sociology, from whose faculty Center members are drawn. CSD sponsors three annual public lectures whose speakers are normally drawn, respectively, from these three disciplines: the Harry Eckstein lecture, the Economics of Governance Lecture, and the Robin Williams lecture. In 2010-11, the distinguished legal scholar, Kim Lane Scheppele was scheduled to be the Eckstein lecturer but she was snowbound in Princeton and we are rescheduling her talk for fall 2011-12. The Economics of Governance lecturer in 2010-11 was Nobel Laureate in Economics Vernon Smith. Smith spoke about experimental economics, a subfield he was largely instrumental in founding. He also responded to questions about the current economic crisis. Professor Margaret Weir, of the Sociology Department at UC Berkeley, a leading specialist on urban public policy, spoke about issues of race and equality in America's cities. To further strengthen interdisciplinary ties CSD sponsored in 2010-11 one research workshop (meeting 2-4 times per quarter) with each of its three component disciplines on topics that

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are of substantial interdisciplinary appeal: the "Law and Latte" seminar, organized by political scientists, Tony Smith and Diana Kapiszewski; the "Economics of Conflict" workshop, organized by the economist, Michael McBride; and the "Social Movements" workshop, organized by sociologists David Snow and David Meyer. Graduate students and faculty from more than one discipline participate in each of these workshop series.

Another aspect of CSD is public outreach. One element of this is the Jack W. Peltason Lecture series, which brings in leading public figures. Because we had unexpected success in 2009-10 in getting acceptances from both former Governor Jerry Brown and Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez, who each gave Peltason lectures last academic year, we did not schedule a Peltason lecture this year, but we will have a 2011-12 Peltason lecturer. Also, since 2012 is a presidential election year, we anticipate sponsoring at least one public event next year tied to the presidential primaries. Another public lecture series CSD runs is on "Religion, Media, and Politics." In 2011 we had a lecture from Steven Burgard, Director of the Northeastern University School of Journalism, formerly of the L.A. Times. Professor Burgard is a regular visitor to the Center and he is the coordinator of this lecture series that, in the past has featured journalists such as the Managing Editor of the Washington Post.

Professor Burgard has collected past lectures in this series and other original work in a book he edited, Faith, Politics & Press In Our Perilous Times, published in 2010, that is the second book to bear the stamp "Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Democracy." The third and fourth books to bear this stamp were released in 2011 by the international publisher, Springer. They each contain selected papers given at international conferences co-sponsored by CSD dealing with issues in electoral reform involving Italy and France, respectively: one held in Bologna, Italy, in conjunction with the University of Bologna; and one held in Paris, in conjunction with the Section on Elections and Voting of the French Political Science Association.

In addition to the international conferences we co-sponsor or provide initial seed grant for, CSD has two other important aspects to its international outreach. First, we bring in a number of international visitors to UCI, mostly predoctoral and post-doctoral fellows, for periods ranging from one month to two years, with a modal stay of three months. Even though our budget limitations force us to insist that all visitors be fully funded by their home institution or country, because of CSD's international visibility we are still asked to host many more visitors than we have space to accommodate, and we screen visitors by requiring that they be actively involved in work with CSD faculty who will take mentoring responsibility for them. This academic year we had visitors from China, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Korea, the Netherlands, and Switzerland. Second, we are involved in faculty or graduate student exchange programs with other research centers. For example, the program of international cooperation on "Collective Action and Social Movements," begun two years ago by David Snow under CSD auspices, now involving research centers in universities in China, the Netherlands and Spain, is resulting in a CSD graduate student Democracy Fellow, Lorien Jasny, spending a quarter as a visiting researcher at Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, working with CSD international affiliate Mario Diani. (For more about CSD's international cooperation and exchange programs see http://www.democ.uci.edu/international/international.php.)

In addition to its international visitors, CSD was happy to welcome back long term visitors, Tom Bernstein and Kevin O'Leary. Professor Bernstein, who retired from Columbia University after many years of service as chair of its Political Science department, continues his research on China, and is acting as CSD's liaison with UCI's International Studies Program; Kevin O'Leary continues to write for Newsweek and other news organizations on topics such as political reform and the budget crisis in California. I am also delighted to report that Professor Doh Shin, now emeritus at the University of Missouri, is spending the first of what we hope will be many years as a CSD scholar-in-residence. Professor Shin, whose research aims to unravel the cultural and institutional dynamics of democratization from a comparative perspective, is perhaps the leading expert in the U.S. on electoral politics and public opinion in Korea.

One of the founding principles of CSD is that first-rate faculty can only be sustained by programs that attract firstrate graduate students. We are very proud of the complementarities that CSD's interdisciplinary research activities provide to the Political Science and Sociology Departments in recruiting graduate students, and I, like the previous Directors of CSD, have spent time seeking community support for graduate students whose interests fall within one of the five research foci within CSD (democratic reform; democratic development; social movements and collective action, race, ethnicity and civic inclusion; and the economics of governance). These efforts and the committed mentorship of CSD Faculty continue to pay off. In particular, I am delighted to report that, for the third year in a row, a CSD Democracy Fellow has won the UCI Alumni Association award for Outstanding Graduate Student, a campus wide award given to only one student each year. This year's winner is Daisy Reyes in Sociology. (Previous CSD winners are political science students, Kathy Rim and

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CSD Graduate Fellows Publications (CSD Graduate Fellows are in Bold):

Polletta, Francesca; Chen, Bobby; Gardner, Beth: and Alice Motes. 2011 "The Sociology of Storytelling" Annual Review of Sociology. 37:107-28

Byrd, Scott C. and **Lorien Jasny** 2010. Transnational Movement Innovation and Collaboration: Analysis of World Social Forum Networks. Social Movement Studies: Journal of Social, Cultural and Political Protest 9(4). Reprinted in Smith, Jackie, Scott C. Byrd, Ellen Reese, and Elizabeth Smythe (eds). Handbook on World Social Forum Activism. Boulder, CO: Paradigim Publishing, June 2011.

Miller, Peter, Forthcoming 2011. "Torture Approval in Comparative Perspective." Human Rights Review.

Peria, Michelle. Forthcoming 2012. "Megachurches." In G. Ritzer (ed.) Encyclopedia of Globalization. Wiley-Blackwell

Bandelj, Nina, Kristen Shorette, and **Elizabeth Sowers**. Forthcoming 2011. "Work and Neoliberal Globalization: A Polanyian Synthesis." Sociology Compass.

Sowers, Elizabeth. Forthcoming 2012. "Population." In G. Ritzer (ed.) Encyclopedia of Globalization. Wiley-Blackwell.

CSD Graduate Fellow Awards:

Daisy Reyes received the annual Lauds and Laurels Award for Outstanding Graduate Student 2011 from the UCI Alumni Association2010-11 CSD Conferences.

Jennifer Garcia received the David Easton Award for best qualifying paper, titled "The 'Electoral Connection' of Felony Disenfranchisement Reform."

CSD National and International Visiting Researchers

Rune Andersen, University of Tartu, Estonia, September 22, 2010 - June 30, 2011 Stephen Burgard, Northeastern University, January 4 - Mar. 31, 2011 Anna Christmann, University of Bern, Switzerland, September 1, 2010 – December 20, 2010 Prof. Ondrej Cisar, Masaryk University, Czech Republic, November 15 – February 18, 2011 Prof. Hilde Coffé, Utrecht University, Netherlands November 1-22, 2010 Prof. Nicole Doerr, Free University Berlin, April 1, 2010 - June 2011 Prof. Menachem Hofnung, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, September 2, 2011 - June 30, 2012 Prof. Woojin Moon, Ajou University, South Korea, January 31, 2011 – January 31, 2012 Dr. Kevin O'Leary, July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011 Prof. Sang-Chul Park, Kyonggi University, Korea, December 31, 2010-January 29, 2011. Prof. Doh C. Shin Korea Foundation Chair and the Middlebush Chair, University of Missouri, Columbia, January 1, 2011 – January 1, 2012. Prof. Heather Smith, Lewis & Clark College, September 30 - December 30, 2010 H. Christoph Steinhardt, Chinese University of Hong Kong, September 10, 2010 - April 5, 2011 Seppe Verheyen, Trinity College Dublin, September 7, 2010 – June 14, 2011 Katerina Vrablikova, Masaryk University, Czech Republic, September 6, 2010 – June 19, 2011

UC IRVINE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRACY 2010-2011 THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Guiding the Center's Future

The Leadership Council for the UCI Center for the Study of Democracy is a group of political and business leaders of Orange County who are deeply concerned about the vitality of democracy in the United States and the expansion of democracy around the world. The Council embodies the model of citizen participation as the strength of the democratic political process. Council members work with the Center for the Study of Democracy to support education and research aimed at improving the democratic process. As liaisons between the community and the Center, Council members: contribute their own political interest and expertise to the teaching and research missions of the Center; help to increase community awareness of the Center and its activities, and identify areas where Center activities can contribute to the understanding of democracy; assist the philanthropic activities of the Center in the support of education and research on democracy. We believe the democratic process is one of America's most precious resources, and the Community Council is helping to build the leading university-based center devoted explicitly to the study of democracy at home and abroad.

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Christopher Stout). Moreover, in a year when few graduate students in the social sciences got academic jobs, and few even got job interviews, I am also very pleased to report that four CSD Fellows got jobs or post-doctoral fellowships: After having been a Max Weber Post-Doctoral Fellowship at the European University Institute, Reuben Kline has accepted a position as an Assistant Professor at SUNY Stony Brook; Kathy Rim will become an assistant professor at Wesleyan' Christopher Stout is moving to a new job as an Assistant Professor at Southern Illinois University (where his wife, also a UCI Ph.D., was given a job as well), and Willy Jou, is serving as a Post-Doctoral Fellow in Japan.

Economic stringencies continue to affect CSD's ability to raise money from the community to provide supplemental funding for Democracy Fellowships and other forms of graduate research support. In hard times, necessity forces people to focus the scope of their philanthropy more narrowly, but thanks especially to the remarkable generosity of CSD Community Leadership Council member William Podlich and his continuing support of the Podlich Democracy Fellows program, and to Jack Peltason, for the endowment that supports the Jack and Suzie Peltason Democracy Fellows Program, we were able to maintain the Democracy Fellows program, and to provide other graduate students affiliated with CSD a small level of research support this year. This funding for graduate support is entirely generated externally. We were pleased to welcome five new CSD graduate student Democracy Fellows in 2010-11, two from political science (Neil Chaturvedi, Ryan Shirah) and three from sociology: (Ralph Hosoki, Dana Moss, and Daisy Reyes), bringing to over 20 the

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Major Research Grants Awarded to CSD Faculty 2010-2011

Edwin Amenta

2010-11 National Science Foundation Grant. "Strengthening Research Through Methodological Innovation." (\$83,171)

Nina Bandelj

2009-2011 American Council of Learned Societies, Eastern European Program Conference Grant (with Dorothy Solinger) (\$21,000)

2009-2011 UC Multi Campus Research Project in World History Grant for "1989: Twenty Years After" conference (with Dorothy Solinger) (\$5,000)

Benard Grofman 2011-12. Sloan Foundation grant "Public Input into Redistricting Decisions in the U.S." . (\$119,756).

Judith Stepan Norris 2009-2010. Co-PI (with Caleb Southworth) National Science Foundation grant, "Organizational Strategy and Environment: A Pilot Study to Collect Disaggregate Data on American Labor Unions 1900-2005." (\$89,750).

Katherine Tate 2010. Dirksen Foundation grant "Black Legislative Behavior from Carter to Obama," (\$3,500)

Books by CSD Faculty Members Supported by CSD Seed Grants

Nina Bandelj and Elizabeth Sowers. 2010. *Economy and State: A Sociological Perspective*. Cambridge, UK: Polity Press. (Project supported by a CSD grant; Sowers is a CSD Democracy Fellow)

Nina Bandelj and Frederick F. Wherry. (eds). 2011. *The Cultural Wealth of Nations*. Palo Alto, CA: Stanford University Press. (Project supported by a CSD seed grant)

Nina Bandelj and Dorothy J. Solinger (eds.) 2012 forthcoming. *Socialism Vanquished, Socialism Challenged: Eastern Europe and China, 1989-2009.* Oxford University Press. (Conference supported by a CSD seed grant)

Catherine Bolzendahl and Brian Powell, Claudia Geist, and Lala Carr Steelman. 2010. *Counted Out: Same-Sex Relations and Americans' Definitions of Family*. Russell Sage Foundation.

Russell Dalton and Christopher Anderson (eds.) 2011 Forthcoming. *Citizens, Context and Choice: How Context Shapes Citizens Electoral Choices*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. (Conference supported by a CSD seed grant)

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Weir's talk was not without hope. She devoted significant attention to laying out a number of the organizational and political challenges that must be overcome in order to provide justice for the poor, effectively identifying future directions on which scholars, planners, and activists can focus to begin to make headway in this area.

Though many do not realize it, over half of the poor population is now living in suburban areas that are lacking the appropriate infrastructure to assist them. Weir's talk provided an expert analysis of the causes and consequences of this phenomenon, as well as the future political and organizational strategies necessary to handle it. In her talk, Weir focused on how the particular patterns of spatial inequality that we are seeing currently with this "invisible" suburban poverty are compounding the domain of inequality, suggesting that these issues are now more complex than they have been in the recent past. With an eye toward her overarching topic, she suggested that we must fully consider these shifting spatial dynamics in order to create justice for the poor in the new metropolis.

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Junn's data sources allow her to shed some insight on who exactly these voters are and what candidates and issues they support. Interestingly, both types of voters are much more likely to support Democratic causes and candidates and have proved integral in the outcomes of recent elections.

Though Junn finds that these groups are much more likely to vote Democratic, she by no means thinks that campaigns and candidates are irrelevant. Instead, she noted that these voters are somewhat up for grabs and just waiting to be effectively mobilized. She noted that a large part of the Republican party's failure in the 2010 statewide election was because they failed to attract minority and young voters. Junn ended her talk by noting that these groups of voters are likely to be at the center of the political stage in the near future.

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number of current CSD Democracy Fellows, while also making summer RAship possibilities with CSD faculty available to another ten graduate students whose research interests overlap those of the Center.

Since it first began roughly a decade ago, CSD has been aided not only by the generosity of, but also by the immense range of personal contacts of, members of the CSD Community Leadership Council and other leading Orange County figures with whom they have put us in touch. In this academic year, CSD continued to benefit immeasurably from the contributions of its community affiliates on the CSD Leadership Council under the able leadership of Tom Rogers (formerly of City National Bank). CSD is truly blessed in having Tom's and their involvement and commitment to us and to UCI.

This academic year was, however, one of continuing transition. Larry Thomas (formerly of the Irvine Company) stepped down after three years as an active co-chair of the Leadership Council, and Lisa Hughes, a leading Orange County attorney, who had long ably served on that body and was instrumental in organizing events to raise money for graduate fellowships, also left the Council. To each we owe an immense debt of gratitude. They have contributed unselfishly to UCI and to CSD for no reason other than they believed it the right thing to do. Our diligent long-time undergraduate work-study student, Vanessa Maaz, with whom I have greatly enjoyed working during my years as CSD Director, also left us at the end of the academic year, to continue her educational dreams at the graduate level. After the loss last year of Sheila Hayden, the former (and much appreciated) Center Administrator, to the nursing profession, I am, however, happy to report that Shani Brasier joined us this past summer as the new CSD Administrator, on a 75% time basis. As everyone who has worked with her knows full well, Shani, like her predecessors, has been a superb addition to our research center, with a warm relationship with faculty, graduate students and visitors. She has been invaluable in ably and cheerfully handling the logistics of the many CSD research events and projects and the arrangements for our international visitors. We look forward to her continuing involvement with the Center.

As I look ahead to the fifth year of my term as CSD Director, I am immensely proud of CSD's accomplishments as an institution and those of its affiliated faculty and affiliated graduate students. Though we are not yet through the seven (?) lean years, as we continue to build on the legacy of CSD's Founding Director, Russ Dalton, I remain optimistic about CSD's future.



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