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Minority Fellowship Program Updates

Greyson Mann (Bunche Fellow 2013) has received a White House appointment to the Department of Education Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships and serves as a confidential assistant. In this role he has had the opportunity to promote interfaith dialogue on a global scale. Prior to joining the department of education, Greyson was a program analyst for Chainbridge Technologies.

Dirk Horn (Bunche Fellow 2011) is a PhD candidate in political science at the University of California, Irvine. He advanced to candidacy in June of 2016 and received his MA in political science. Recalling his time at the RBSI, Dirk states, "Participation in the RBSI program affirmed that I wanted to go to grad school and work in the academy. One memory that stands out is Dr. McClain and all the graduate assistants (now professors) who really put time and effort into helping all the RBSI students in any way they could."

Pamela Sutton-Wallace (RBSI 1990, MFP 1991) is the CEO of the University of Virginia Medical Center. She recently had the following reflection on her time at the Bunche Institute: "My experience as a RBSI participant was one of the most rewarding and effective programs in my early professional development. ... RBSI helped to shape my strong interests and skills in policy analysis, research methods, and epidemiology—all of which were and continue to be critical for leadership. ... I hold the RBSI in the highest esteem and am eternally grateful for my participation in the program. The program has proven instrumental and critical in my professional development and laid a solid foundation for skills that I continue to hone as a health care executive."

Randall Coleman (RBSI 2005) earned a master's in public policy focusing on environmental policy at American University in 2009, has started a business, and has built a career in the third-party certification industry. He currently works as a business information specialist with the Non-GMO Project.

Ali Valenzuela (MFP 2005), assistant professor at Princeton University, published "Turnout, Status, and Identity: Mobilizing Latinos to Vote with Group Appeals" (coauthored with Melissa Michelson of Menlo College) in *APSR* in August 2016. Ali's areas of research focus are American politics with a focus on Latino public opinion and turnout, immigration politics, racial and ethnic identity in the United States, religion in politics, elections and campaigns, and experimental methods in politics.

Tiffany Willoughby-Herard (MFP 1995) is currently an assistant professor of African American studies at University of California, Irvine and has published several articles in the *National Political Science Review*, *Abolition Journal*, and *The Journal of African Identities*. She published a book titled *Waste of a White Skin: The Carnegie Corporation and the Racial Logic of White Vulnerability* (University of California Press) in 2015. She was awarded the UC Irvine Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Fostering Undergraduate Research in 2015, and was a nominee for the UC Irvine Tom Angell Award for Mentoring for Achievement and Excellence in 2015. Over the past few years she has won several grants, has been invited to speak at numerous conference sessions and other engagements, and is currently serving as

managing editor of the *National Political Science Review*, the journal of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists.

Read more about the RBSI Alumni at www.apsanet.org/rbsi and the Minority Program Fellows at www.apsanet.org/mfp.

New Online Journal

The Council for European Studies is now publishing *EuropeNow*, an online monthly journal of research, literature, and art relating to Europe, with a blog that publishes weekly. *EuropeNow* features research, criticism, and journalism on Europe alongside literary nonfiction, fiction, poetry, translations, and visual art from or concerning Europe. Contributors are established and emerging academics, artists, authors, and journalists from a wide range of countries, while the editorial staff and committee similarly consist of both experienced and emerging editors.

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APSA Accepting Nominations

The APSA Nominating Committee welcomes your suggestions for 2017 nominees for president-elect, vice president, treasurer and council member. Council members serve staggered three-year terms. The treasurer serves a three-year term, and the president-elect and vice presidents serve one-year terms. The nominating committee encourages all members of APSA to suggest fellow members for consideration. Those wishing to do so should explain why they believe the person's accomplishments, background, and views would make them a good choice for a leadership position. The nominating committee hopes to nominate a slate of accomplished scholars and practitioners who reflect the diverse membership of APSA. To achieve this goal, they rely on the membership to forward suggestions and recommendations.

Please send suggestions to nominations@apsanet.org by February 1, 2017. The committee will meet in February 2017 to begin compiling a slate of candidates. The completed slate of nominees will be announced in March, and will be put to a member vote via electronic ballot over the summer. Find more information on APSA nominations at apsanet.org/nominations. ■

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EuropeNow can be found at www.europhenowjournal.org, and the editors can be contacted at editors@europhenowjournal.org.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Steven M. Eson, Coordinator of Member Services

Steven Eson is the Coordinator of Member Services. Steven works closely with the membership team to aid in membership recruitment, growth, retention, and superior member service. Prior to joining APSA in 2014, he obtained a Bachelor of Fine Art at the Corcoran College of Art and Design in 2008, with a focus in digital art and design. Since then, he continues freelance work as an artist, designer and writer in the Washington, DC area, and he has used his creative acumen on various projects at the association, including designing the cover of the recent APSA taskforce report, *The Double Bind: The Politics of Racial and Class Inequalities in the Americas*. The task force can be found here: <http://www.apsanet.org/inequalities>. ■



Small Research Grants: Call for Applications

APSA is now accepting applications for small research grants of up to \$2,500 to support research in all fields of political science. Applications are welcome from APSA members who are not employed at PhD-granting departments or who are in non-tenure track positions. Funds may be used for a variety of research activities, such as travel to archives, travel to conduct interviews, administration and coding of instruments, research assistance, and purchase of datasets. Note that certain activities are excluded from funding; these include travel to professional meetings, secretarial costs except for preparation of the final manuscripts for publication, and salary support for the principal investigator. Overhead or indirect costs are also not allowable expenses. Funds must be spent by September 30 of the year following the award. The deadline for applications is Saturday, April 1, 2017. For more information, contact researchgrants@apsanet.org or visit <http://www.apsanet.org/smallresearchgrant>. ■

New Organized Section on American Political Thought

APSA is proud to introduce its newest organized section, Section 47: American Political Thought.

The purpose of this section is to facilitate and encourage a uniquely integrative approach to the study of politics that will put scholars of American politics, political theory, American political development, American history, philosophy, American literature, and other related fields in ongoing and fruitful conversation with one another.

Member benefit also includes subscription to *American Political Thought: A Journal of Ideas, Institutions, and Culture*. ■

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