Announcements

University of Louisville Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order

The Grawemeyer Award is given to stimulate dissemination, analysis and testing of outstanding proposals that can lead to more just and peaceful international relations.

The award carries a \$150,000 cash prize, payable in five, annual installments of \$30,000.

Entries are sought which advance ideas relative to foreign policy, the conduct of foreign relations, intercultural relations and communications, international law and organization, the rule of law and the role of force, international development, trade or investment. Judging is based on originality, feasibility and potential impact.

Individuals, government agencies, non-profit groups, international organizations are eligible. Nominators may include chairs of political science departments, professional associations of political scientists or related disciplines, publishers and editors of books and journals in political science and international affairs.

Entries must be submitted in four copies and accompanied by entry form, nominator's letter, biographical sketch of nominee and agreement that the material will be placed in university archives. Non-English entries must be translated. Self-nomination is not allowed. Ideas or achievements must be presented or published within the last five years.

Initial screening is done by a committee of political scientists. Secondary screening is done by a jury of three prominent political scientists, statesmen, journalists, economists, lawyers or military experts. Final screening is the responsibility of University of Louisville president, College of Arts and Sciences dean, political science chairman and four others named by the president. University trustees approve the final recommendation.

For further information or to make nomination, contact the Office of News and Public Information, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY 40292; (502) 588-6171.

Christian Bay Award Established

The Caucus for a New Political Science recently established the Christian Bay Award which will be given every year to the author of the best paper presented at a Caucus panel at the APSA Annual Meeting. For further information, contact John Ehrenberg, Department of Political Science, Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus, University Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11201.

International Foundation for Electoral Systems Updating Expert File

The International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) offers election officials from around the world access to a broad resource collection related to the design of all aspects of an election process. The collection includes sample constitutions and electoral laws, election personnel training materials, lists of election commodity suppliers, and a carefully compiled list of international experts who are experienced in all aspects of electoral design.

IFES is continually identifying individual experts in the areas of voter registration, voter turnout, ballot security, political party development, voter education, election law, and the adjudication of election grievances. IFES is also called upon from time to time to assemble international election observer teams. Experience with the electoral process, knowledge of the region, fluency with the language, and a willingness to travel will serve as the criteria upon which IFES will select persons

to assist other countries in establishing sound electoral processes.

IFES is now updating their files on individuals able to provide technical election assistance or qualified to participate in international election observer teams.

For further information, send a self-addressed envelope to: IFES Resource Center/IDS, 1620 I Street, N.W., Suite 611, Washington, DC 20006.

NEH Media Log Complimentary Copies Available

The new NEH *Media Log* is now available. Three-hundred new programs have been added since the last edition.

This newly revised edition lists more than 800 film, television, and radio programs supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Each entry includes a brief description of each production, along with information on how to obtain the specific programs.

To receive a complimentary copy, write *Media Log*, NEH Public Information Office, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 407, Washington, DC 20506.

Vital Records Index Search Service Instituted

The New York State Archives has instituted a new vital records index search service. Genealogists and other researchers can now request a search of the State Department of Health microfiche indexes to vital records. The indexes cover the entire state (except New York City, and Albany, Buffalo, and Yonkers prior to 1914). The indexes now available span the years 1880/81-1943 for marriages and deaths, and 1881-1918 for births. The indexes are transferred to the Archives after 75 years for births,

and after 50 years for marriages and deaths.

Researchers may request the New York State Archives to search one vital records index (birth, marriage, or death) for one name for up to three specific years. The request must be made on a Vital Records Index Search Request form. Copies of the request form are available from the New York State Archives. Each request must be accompanied by a check or money order for \$5.00 (U.S. funds). Applicants requesting a search of the birth or marriage indexes must sign a statement tht the individual named in the request is now deceased.

The microfiche indexes are available for public use Monday through Friday, 9:00-5:00, in the State Archives research room, located in the Cultural Education Center (11th floor) in downtown Albany. For further information, contact the New York State Archives at (518) 474-8955.

1993 Edition of The Almanac of the Unelected Available

Now in its sixth successful year of publication, *The Almanac of the Unelected* is a substantive reference which profiles the 700 movers and shakers among congressional staff. *The Almanac* identifies the key roles each of these staffers plays in the legislative process and includes descriptions of staffers' responsibilities, the issues which they handle, and the priorities they will address in the first session of the 103rd Congress.

The Almanac provides a look at the key congressional committee staff containing facts organized by committee, areas of expertise, professional background, specific legislative contributions, ideological or political orientation, opinions of colleagues, and photographs.

For further information, contact: Gary Osifchin, P.O. Box 3785, Washington, DC 20007; phone: (202) 296-2297; fax: (202) 223-3504.

Scholarly Book Reviews on CD-ROM Named Best CD-ROM Product by CD-ROM World

CD-ROM World magazine has selected Scholarly Book Reviews on CD-ROM from University Publications of America (UPA) for its "Best CD-ROM Product" Award for 1992. UPA's new book review service provides free-text searching of the full text of reviews published in 120 scholarly journals in the social sciences and humanities.

Scholarly Book Reviews on CD-ROM currently covers over 24,000 reviews from journals in four discipline groups: history, sociology and anthropology, political science and international affairs, and language and literature. Approximately 3,000 reviews are added each quarter. The discipline groups can be purchased either separately or as a whole.

For additional information, contact Customer Service at University Publications of America, 4520 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814-3389. The toll-free telephone number is (800) 692-6300.

Agreement on the European Economic Area Available

The Agreement on the European Economic Area is now available for purchase. The aim of this agreement of association is to promote a continuous and balanced strengthening of trade and economic relations between the contracting parties with equal conditions of competition, and the respect of the same rules, with a view of creating a homogeneous European Economic Area.

This publication reproduces the text of the Agreement on the European Economic Area as signed in Oport in May 1992. For further information, contact UNIPUB, 4611-F Assembly Drive, Lanham, MD 20706-4391; phone: (800) 274-4888; fax: (301) 459-0056.

DNC Calls for Input

The newly-created Democratic National Committee Task Force on

National Committee Structure and Participation is charged with developing recommendations that will help the National Committee more effectively utilize the potential of its members and the party's constituencies. In addition, the Task Force will recommend ways the National Committee can revitalize itself to become a more efficient and productive institution.

Scholars and party observers and participants are invited to offer insights and comments on how the National Committee can be made a more significant and efficient political entity. Because of the schedule of task force deliberations, such replies would be particularly valuable at the earliest possible date. For further information or to offer insights and comments, please contact Lawrence D. Longley, Department of Government, Lawrence University, Appleton, WI 54912; phone: (414) 832-6673; fax: (414) 832-6944.

Information Needed on Implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Suffolk University in Boston, MA. together with The Shriver Center, Children's Hospital, and the World Institute on Disability has received a National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) project to conduct an exploratory evaluation of the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) over a three-year period. The project has three main goals: (1) to develop a legal analysis comparing existing anti-discrimination laws and regulations with the ADA: (2) to develop a set of outcome measures with which to monitor implementation, to assess their relevance for persons with disabilities, public and private officials, to identify "exemplary" implementation practices; and (3) to delineate a future research agenda. The project is based on participatory involvement of individuals with disabilities and representatives from a variety of advocacy organizations both in developing the research instruments and in responding to surveys and interviews.

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Specifically, we need your help in identifying both positive examples of and problems associated with implementation of the ADA. We are interested in receiving information from both organizations as well as individuals on the types of outcomes associated with ADA. For example, we are especially interested in examples in which public and private entities have implemented ADA without resorting to legal channels (e.g., developing cooperative agreements to resolve ADA concerns, identifying low cost/low tech options to meeting ADA, including persons with disabilities on ADA planning committees, and others).

We are collecting information on all of the major areas covered by the ADA (employment, public/private accommodation, transportation and communication) that affect persons with disabilities. Please forward any comments, materials or other documentation of implementation efforts surrounding the ADA to: Mary Ann Allard, Ph.D., The Shriver Center, 200 Trapelo Road, Waltham, MA 02254, or call (617) 642-0293, fax: (617) 642-0238, or on Internet: M.Allard@Suffolk.edu.

Suffolk University Announces Disability Studies Concentration

Suffolk University announces the first disability studies concentration

in a Master of Public Administration program in the United States. The concentration is supervised by David Pfeiffer of the Public Management Department, a nationally known scholar in disability studies who serves as president of the Society for Disability Studies. It is particularly appropriate because the Americans with Disabilities Act applies to all state and municipal governments in the United States as well as to all colleges and universities. For further information contact David Pfeiffer. Suffolk University, Boston, MA 02108-2770.

Readers Highly Recommend Groundbreaking Study

Ambition and Beyond:

Career Paths of American Politicians edited by Shirley Williams & Edward Lascher, Jr. 260 pp, 1993, \$21.95, paper

"A stimulating state of the art collection of articles on political careers in the United States of America. There are enough good ideas here to keep researchers happy for years."--Richard F. Fenno, Jr., University of Rochester

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"Studying political careers is a way of tracing the outlines of the structure of a political system. These essays tell a great deal about the structure of American politics and how it is changing."--Nelson W. Polsby, Institute of Governmental Studies, University of California, Berkeley

A Popular Text for Ethnic Studies

Racial and Ethnic Politics in California edited by Byran O. Jackson and Michael B. Preston 405 pp, 1991, \$19.95, paper

Probes how the growing minority population is remaking politics in America's largest and most ethnically diverse state.

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