

Fall 2009 Political Economy Lecture Series October 21 and 22

Schedule of Speakers (You are required to attend one of these sessions. You may attend any session that interests you. You are not bound to the one scheduled for the same time as your class.) Attendance will be limited to the capacity of the room. If too many people wish to attend a session, you may be asked to go to another session.

Wednesday, October 21, 2009

8.00 to 9.20

Robert Bond

Topic: "From Missionaries to Marines: Aspects of American Involvement in The Middle East"

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC-1)

(Robert Bond is adjunct professor of History at Palomar College and Mesa College. He earned his PhD in History from UCLA. He is a research specialist in Ottoman historiography, intellectual & bureaucratic history, and the Ottoman Empire & its relationship with the Black Sea. Previously, Professor Bond served as Assistant Professor of Middle East History at Youngstown State University.)

8.00 to 9:20

Mark Abajian

Topic: "Origins of the NCAA Role on Campus Economics and College Sports"

ROOM: P-32

(Mark Abajian is Associate Professor of Economics at Mesa College. He has also taught at Palomar College and the University of San Diego. He received his Bachelors and Masters Degrees at San Diego State University after graduation from Palomar College. He teaches a course on Sports Economics at the University of San Diego.)

9.30 to 10.50

Kathy Grove

Topic: "Health-Care Reform: Cure or Curse?"

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC -1)

Kathy Grove is Associate Professor of Sociology at Palomar College. She holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from UCSD and is the author of the book "Building Bridges" as well as several articles on women and HIV/AIDS. She has been a multiple finalist for the Distinguished Research Award and the Distinguished Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching at Palomar.)

9.30 to 10.50

Christine Moore

Topic: "Mid-Term & Federal Elections in Chiapas, Mexico, 1995-1997"

ROOM: P-18

(Christine Moore is Adjunct Professor of History at Palomar College and Mira Costa College. She is also Lecturer in History at Cal State San Marcos. She holds an M.A. in History from San Diego State University. She is Regional President of the American Association of Women in Community

Colleges. She has been invited to lecture for the Oxford University Roundtable Lectures.)

9.30 to 10.50

Michael Mufson

Topic: “American Dream 2.0 – What’s Become of the American Dream and Is it Time For an Upgrade?”

ROOM: D-6

(Michael Mufson is Associate Professor of Drama & Performing Arts at Palomar College. He holds an M.F.A. from UC Irvine.)

11.00 to 12.20

Erik Gartzke

Topic: “The Causes of Peace; Futility of War”

Room: P-18

(Erik Gartzke is Associate Professor of Political Science at UCSD, where he has been on faculty since 1997. He was previously both Assistant and Associate Professor of political science at Penn State University and Columbia University. He holds both M.A. and Ph.D degrees in political science from the University of Iowa. His research interests and areas of expertise are in Globalization, International Relations Theory and Democratic Peace Theory. He is the author, or co-author, of over 30 published, peer-reviewed articles.

11.00 to 12.20

Sarah Cristal

Topic: “Volkswagen, Daimler-Benz, Ford Motor Co. and General Motors: The Driving Force Behind the Third Reich”

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC -1)

(Sarah Cristal is an historian and Holocaust researcher. She earned her BA in history from Hofstra University (New York). She holds an M.A. in History from San Diego State. Cristal is the grandchild of Holocaust survivors and she has dedicated her academic and professional career to the advancement of Holocaust education and research. She worked for the Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, located within the United States Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C.. She is the editor and producer of the 2008 documentary, “The March of the Living,” which is shown in junior-high schools and high schools across the nation.)

12.30 to 1.50

Glen Clabaugh

Topic: “Political Oversight of Military Actions through History: Who Should be in Charge of the Military?”

ROOM: P-18

(Glen Clabaugh is a military historian. He holds an M.A. in military history from Norwich University. He currently is a director for the Sylvan Learning Centers in San Diego.)

12.30 to 1.50

Martin Japtok

Topic: “Why Globalization has Failed in Africa”

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC – 1)

(Martin Japtok is Associate Professor of English at Palomar College. He is the Editor of Postcolonial Perspectives on Women Writers from Africa, the Caribbean, and the United States

(2003) and author of *Growing Up Ethnic: African-American and Jewish American Nationalism and the Bildungsroman* (2005).

12.30 to 1.50

Joe Sheffo

Topic: “California’s Budget: How it is Assembled, Problems with the Process, How these Issues Affect You, and How to Fix It”

ROOM: P-30

(Joe Sheffo was Deputy Director of Communications for U.S. Senator Gordon Smith (R-OR.), and Policy Aide to San Diego County Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (3rd District). He has also been Senior Assistant to Assemblyman Mark Wyland (74th State Assembly district), and Assistant Opinion Editor for the North County Times.)

2.00 to 3.20

Yaja Boren

Topic: “Experiences from a Concentration Camp”

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC – 1)

(Yaja Boren is a Holocaust survivor, having spent her youth in five different concentration camps, including Auschwitz. She is the author of two books: “We Only Have Each Other,” and “There are No Strangers.”)

2.00 to 3.20

Darren Schreiber

Topic: “Your Brain on Politics: Political Psychology and Voting Behavior”

ROOM: P-18

(Darren Schreiber is Assistant Professor of Political Science at UCSD. He holds a Ph D in political science from UCLA and is a specialist in political psychology, cognition theory, and American politics.)

Thursday, October 22, 2009

8.00 to 9.15

Yvonne Anderson

Topic: “They Overthrew the Tsar of All the Russias: How Did their Socialist Dream Morph into Animal Farm?”

ROOM: P-18

(Yvonne Anderson is Professor Emerita of History at Palomar College, where she taught world history and western civilization for 20 years. She is a specialist in Russian History and Politics. She holds an M.A. in history from Andrews University.)

9.30 to 10.50

Edmund Malesky

Topic: “Nodding or Needling: Measuring Delegate Responsiveness in an Authoritarian Parliament”

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC -1)

(Edmund Malesky is Assistant Professor of Political Science, in the School of International Relations & Pacific Studies at UCSD. He was previously an Academy Scholar at the

Harvard Weatherhead Center of International Affairs. Musky has been a consultant for the Asia Foundation, USAID, World Bank and the United Nations Development Program. He is the author, or co-author, of over 20 peer-reviewed articles. He is a noted specialist in the political development in Vietnam and China, comparative political economy in Southeast Asia, as well as economic transitions in developing economies, especially Southeast Asia.)

9.30 to 10.50

Kenneth McMullen

Topic: “The Political and Economic History of the Vietnam War”

ROOM: P-18

(Kenneth McMullen is Adjunct Professor of History at Palomar College. He is also Adjunct Professor of History at Central Texas College, Camp Pendleton Branch. A Vietnam War veteran, Professor McMullen lectures every semester on the role of the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War for A military history course at Cal State Fullerton. He holds a B.A. degree in political science, and an M.A. in history, both from Cal State Fullerton.

11.00 to 12.20

Gary Jacobson

Topic: “A Tale of Two Wars: Public Opinion on the U.S. Military Interventions in Afghanistan and Iraq”

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC – 1)

Gary Jacobson is Professor of Political Science at UCSD. He earned his PhD in Political Science from Yale University. Professor Jacobson is widely regarded as the nation’s most eminent authority on Congressional elections. He is the author or co-author of numerous books and articles, including *The Politics of Congressional Elections*, *Money in Congressional Elections* and *The Logic of American Politics*.

11.00 to 12.20

Jonathan Smith

Topic: “Experiments in Economics: A Brief Survey of Experiments that Test for Self-Interests, Probabilistic Sophistication and Rationality”

ROOM: NS-312

(Jonathan Smith is Assistant Professor of Economics at Palomar College. He holds an M.A. in economics from UCSD. He specializes in the fields of behavioral economics and econometrics.)

12.30 to 2.00

Jeff Lindstrom

Topic: “Hope or Hindrance? How Your Generation in Russia Perceives Democracy & Capitalism”

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC – 1)

(Jeff Lindstrom is Adjunct Professor of Economics at Palomar College. He holds a Ph.D in economics and an AbD in political science. He is a specialist in Russian politics, economic policy and political economy.)

12.30 to 2.00

Teresa Laughlin

Topic: “Immigration: Myths & Realities”

ROOM: P-18

(Teresa Laughlin is Professor of Economics at Palomar College. She specializes in both Environmental and labor economics – the latter of which she has authored a text-book chapter. Professor Laughlin holds degrees in the Political Economy of Natural Resources (B.A.) and Economics (M.A.), respectively, from U.C. Berkeley and Cal State Fullerton.)

2.00 to 3.20

Matthew Aschbach

Topic: “The U.S., the Yucatan, Henequen and the International Harvest Company”

ROOM: Governing Board Room (SSC – 1)

(Matthew Aschbach is Adjunct Professor of History at Palomar College. He specializes in Latin American history.)