

eBulletin - February 2010

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Upcoming Events

March 1 @ 12 noon:
"Collaborative Principles in
Open Source Commons" Faculty
Colloquium with Charles
Schweik, Associate Professor of
NRC and CPPA

March 5 @ 1 PM: "eGovernment
Development in Russia: Key
Success Factors" NCDG Brown
Bag with Evgeny Styrin, SUNY
Albany & Lomonosov Moscow
State University

March 22 @ 1 PM:
"Understanding 'Muslim Women'
as Subjects of New
Technologies & Development
Interventions" NCDG Brown
Bag with Sreela Sarkar, PhD
Candidate, UMass
Communication

All events are in Thompson 620
unless noted. Visit the [CPPA
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information about all our
events.

News & Updates



Senator Rosenberg Visits CPPA

MA Senator Stan Rosenberg stopped by CPPA on February 16. The UMass alum and multi-term Senator spoke to students about effective policy communications. Congressman Barney Frank was on campus the same day to discuss his career the House of Representatives. UMass is truly the place to be to explore and understand

state policy and politics!

Grants Workshop Hosts Daniel Hallin

CPPA's Grants Workshop hosted Daniel Hallin, Professor and Chair of Communication at the University of California, San Diego on February 23. Hallin's presentation, "Comparing Media Systems: Beyond the Western World" extended the analysis on political communication and the role of the media presented in his 2004 book with Paolo Mancini, *Comparing Media Systems*.



CPPA Student Profiles

Your chance to meet some of the first year cohort at CPPA



Christa Drew has been engaged in direct service, teaching, group facilitation, organizing, consulting, coalition-building, grant writing, program development and management, and policy work since receiving her bachelor's degree. She has enjoyed the increasing focus on advocacy and policy in her work for a food policy council and as the current manager of Hunger-Free & Healthy. Her studies are focused on food science policy.

Hasansahib Pinjar joins CPPA from India with a Masters of Science in Agricultural Sciences. He has been living with the poor and underprivileged in underdeveloped rural areas since childhood. Thus he's always been thinking about the ways to help out the poor from problems they face. Currently, he is working with the Karnataka State Department of Agriculture as Agriculture Officer. Farm consultancy, quality control of agro inputs, and subsidy distribution of farm inputs are his regular activities.



Students



Geyer's research published in *Psychological Science*

Josh Geyer, CPPA 2nd year student, is a co-author of the research report "Race Bias Tracks Conception Risk Across the Menstrual Cycle," which appeared in *Psychological Science* in 2009. The complete article is available [here](#).

Faculty



Fountain Examines Paperless EU Agency

Jane Fountain, Professor of Public Policy and Political Science, traveled to Alicante, Spain in February as part of her research on the European Union's "paperless" trademark office, the Office for Harmonization for the Internal Market. While in Spain, Dr. Fountain also spoke at the Escuela de Organization Industriel in Madrid.



Schweik Presents on Open Source Commons

Charlie Schweik, Associate Professor of Public Policy and NRC, presented some of his open source commons research at FOSS 2010: Workshop on the Future of Research on Free and Open Source Software in Newport Beach, California. You can hear more about Charlie's research at CPPA's March 1 colloquium.

Alumni

WMass Alumni Event

CPPA is hosting a local alumni reception on Thursday, April 8 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM in Northampton, MA. Stay tuned for further details – and Save the Date!

News from Alums

Nelson Petrosyan, 2002, has become a partner at Grant Thornton, and is in charge of operations for the office in Tbilisi, Georgia.

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