Political Science Department
2015 in Review

The story begins a little earlier ...
Pres. Banchi: Fair Contracts Now
We have a contract!
But Jan our faithful leader, after pummeling the administration into signing a contract, left us.

And the winter was cold ...
Particularly in Hickman Hall.
• Nonfunctioning doors!

• Two significant floods!

• Plagues of frogs, flies, lice and locusts! (well, mold, anyway!)
But in fairness, the heat did sometimes work in Hickman Hall.
We lost Paul Poast to the University of Chicago.

But Dan Kelemen turned down a huge offer from the University of Pittsburgh to stay with us!
Geoff, Shatema, and Sophia were all reappointed!
And William and Ewan became Assistant Teaching professors!
Alicia and William put on Political Science’s first departmental commencement party.
Summer finally came.

As did the answer to that eternal question, what *do* administrators actually do during the summer?
In staff news,

• Janet retired;

• And Johanna moved to Newark to head the School of Nursing’s HR department.
But we hired Meliseta!

And Lindsey!

And Meg!
And we were able to hire Mike and Yvonne as full time non-tenure track teaching faculty!
The United Nations and Global Policy Study M.A. program took off with almost 50 new students in the Fall.

And a very successful symposium on Youth and the Allure of Terrorism was held in October.
And we finally were allowed to search for two new faculty lines:

• One in Compartive Political Economy;

• And a joint line in American Politics and Criminal Justice.
And finally, we might have gotten what we wished for:

A new home -- the Rite Aid Department of Political Science!
So all in all, 2015 has been a pretty good year.

May 2016 be even better for everyone!