Letter from the Chair

Dear Alumni and Friends of Rutgers Department of Political Science,

It is my great pleasure to present to you the first edition of our Annual Report! My hope is that this will become an important tradition in the department – a way for us to update our alumni and friends about the many exciting things happening in the Department. 2022 was a year of reconnecting in the Department, as we reacquainted ourselves to in-person classes and events, and we started seeing more of each other in good old Hickman Hall. By now, we are just about back to a ‘new normal’.

As you’ll see in this report, the Department is on a very strong footing. We remain one of the largest majors in the School of Arts and Sciences, and our undergraduate programs are expanding with two new minors. Our undergraduate students are doing amazing things inside and outside the classroom. Our MA and PhD programs are going strong, with our students producing important research and our graduates beginning exciting careers. After some years in which budget austerity left us understaffed, our staff is now back up to full strength. A new team member, Jackie Vinasco, has joined our seasoned veterans – Jovani Reaves, Paulette Flowers-Yhap, Ann-Marie Fiorella-Mullen, and Daniel Portalatin and the team is keeping our department running smoothly with their professionalism.

Our world-renowned faculty continue to win awards for their teaching and research and to make major contributions to the discipline. Our newest Professor is Alex Zamalin, who joined the Department this year in a joint appointment with Africana Studies. Two new lecturers – Bengi Gumrukcu and Douglas Cantor also joined the faculty. While we welcomed newcomers, we also said goodbyes. Our two most recent retirements were long-serving and treasured members of our faculty – Professors Sue Carrol and Dennis Bathory. Sadly, we also lost two retired members of our faculty this year – Professors Michael Curtis and Roy Licklider. They will be dearly missed, and you’ll find profiles of them below in this report.

Please enjoy reading this report, and take note of the section at the end on Supporting the Department. This was a banner year for Department fundraising, thanks to a very generous donor who contributed a substantial sum that will help us continue Professor Ross Baker’s special “Baker’s Dozen” undergraduate seminar program on Congressional elections for years to come. With the University budget tighter than ever, we need the support of our alumni and friends to maintain excellence in research, teaching, and service and create new opportunities for our students. Please contact me if you are interested in supporting the Department financially or in other ways.

Happy Holidays and best wishes for 2023!

Professor R. Daniel Kelemen
Chair, Department of Political Science
The undergraduate Political Science program remains one of the largest in the School of Arts and Sciences. Each year, we welcome hundreds of new students and help them move through the university and on to careers in government service, education, the law, corporate America, and the non-profit sector.

Many of our students go on to graduate school, whether that be for a JD, an MA, MBA, MPA, or other master’s-level work. A handful have recently started doctoral programs with an eye to contributing to the education of more generations of students and advancing our understanding of human behavior in the political space.

Recently, we launched two exciting new programs to expand our undergraduate program. First, working in collaboration with the Departments of Philosophy and Economics, we created a minor in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE). The PPE minor is designed to expose students to the practical problems of organizing and running human society. PPE combines its interdisciplinary perspectives into a coherent framework encouraging students to confront the ethical issues of philosophy, the policy questions of political science, and the quantitative analytical problems of economics in order to address critical decisions facing society.

Second, we launched a Minor in Government and Business aimed in particular at students in Rutgers Business School and the Bloustein School. The minor aims to equip future business leaders and urban planners with a better understanding of the political world with a focus on the relationship between government and business and how this impacts both economic and social outcomes.

Rutgers Political Science undergraduate Cecilia Ritacco received her first ever publication in Pi Sigma Alpha, Undergraduate Journal of Politics with her article, "Virtual Realities: Intersectional and Online Violence Against Women in the 117th Congress".

Additionally, Cecilia also presented an additional article, "Immature Representatives: Age Eligibility Requirements and Youth Representation" at APSA 2022 with Rutgers PhD Student Brit Anlar.

Having graduated in the spring, Cecilia is now pursuing a PhD in Government at Georgetown University.
United Nations and Global Policy Studies, M.A.

The UNMA program is going strong! With enrollment growing and graduation rates high, the department's Master's program continues to be a proud part of our distinguished reputation.

Led by a high-quality faculty with strong academic credentials and extensive experience in their fields of study, the UNMA prepares students to tackle global issues through rigorous teaching and training opportunities.

UNMA holds many events throughout the year, such as career talks that bring professionals from international institutions, including the UN and the State Department, to advise students on opportunities after graduation.

Also, UNMA's Global Policy Forums provide students with the opportunity to learn about contemporary issues from experts. This past October 2022 the topic was “The United Nations and Africa” with Daniel Malin of the UN Secretariat joining Rutgers Political Science’s Summer Lindsey, Edward Ramsamy, and Roland Rich for an informative panel discussion.

**COVID-19: Under Democracy and Autocracy**

UNMA Director Roland Rich edited a fascinating ten-country study - based on contributions written by UNMA students taking the Capstone Seminar - comparing how a variety of democratic and autocratic governments from across the globe handled the onset of Covid-19.

Since 2016, the UNMA program has graduated 145 students well-prepared for careers at a variety of institutions and businesses. The program has achieved a 90% job placement rate, and with their unique background and skillset, these students are finding success.

A quarter of these graduates are working in government, for the United Nations, or for other international organizations. Others are busy offering their knowledge and expertise at non-profits, in academia, or in business, and one in ten have continued on to pursue another degree.

No matter where our students go next, the UNMA program and its alums are making an impact on our world!
PhD Program in Political Science

In 2022 Prof. Jan Kubik took over the Directorship of the Graduate Program from Prof. Denis Bathory. The Department is extremely grateful for Prof. Bathory’s many years of extraordinary service in this position. Many thanks also to Prof. Beth Leech for her amazing leadership. The Program is lucky to have Paulette Flowers-Yhap as its Coordinator. In recognition of her exceptional service Paulette was nominated for a 2021 SAS Staff Excellence Award.

Given Dennis’, Beth’s and Paulette’s tremendous skill, devotion, and professionalism it comes as no surprise that the program is in an excellent position, evidenced by the successes of our newly minted doctors from the 2021 and 2022 graduating cohorts.

In 2021 we had four outstanding graduates who quickly moved on to new positions and promising careers.

Alam Zainab is an assistant professor in the Department of Political Science at Howard University. Elizabeth Corredor is a post-doctoral research fellow in the Department of Politics and Public Administration at the Toronto Metropolitan University, while Thomas Reilly currently serves as a Visiting Assistant professor at Marist College. Additionally, we are lucky that Dilafruz Nazarova accepted the position of Director of Development in our own UNMA Program.

The 2022 graduates have already entered promising careers. Meriem Aissa is currently a Post-Doctoral Research Associate at Texas Woman’s University; Sumin Lee serves as an Assistant Professor and a 2022 ACES Faculty Fellow at the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University; while Kathleen Rogers was an APSA congressional fellow and worked on labor policy for the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions under Senator Patty Murray of Washington. She has since moved on to being a Survey Statistician for the Census Bureau.

Among other noteworthy events are:
- Elizabeth Corredor received the 2022 Best Dissertation Award from the Women, Gender, and Politics Section of the American Political Science Association
- Amy Funck’s award from the Rapoport Doctoral Dissertation Survey Research Grant to support her innovative interdisciplinary dissertation research linking attachment style to political attitudes and behavior
- Jayme Schlesinger’s Bevier Dissertation Completion Award
- Burcu Kolcak’s new position in which she is now receiving Optional Practical Training as a Senior Research Specialist at Princeton’s Center for the Study of Democratic Politics.
Graduate Student Achievements

Awards and Publications

Amy N. Benner
- Published “Voter Participation and Turnout: More Diverse Electorate, New Forms of Activism, Record Turnout” in Gender and Elections: Shaping the Future of American Politics (5th Edition), with Susan A. MacManus
- Published “Women and the 2020 Election: Breaking Down Barriers” in The Presidential Election of 2020: Donald Trump and the Crisis of Democracy, with Susan A. MacManus

Michael Fitzgerald and Katie Krumbholz
- Publication in PS: Political Science and Politics, “Gender in the Journals: A Dataset of Gender and Politics Research.” (2022), with Carolyn Barnett and Manika Lamba
  - This publication is the result of a collaboration that evolved from the first Summer Institute in Computational Social Sciences; a related website that houses the dataset should be launching soon

Michelle Irving
- Presented "Supreme Court Nominees: Political Implications of Motherhood Rhetoric" working paper at the Center for C-Span Scholarship & Engagement Conference and was awarded a C-span Scholarship & Engagement Research Grant for this ongoing project
- Awarded the Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Doctoral Fellowship from the Canadian government

Katie Krumbholz
- Stanley H. and Claire A. Friedelbaum Graduate Student Fund Award
- Kneller Fellowship

Jayme Schlesinger
- Publication in Terrorism & Political Violence, "Terror, Political Risk, and Effect on Foreign Direct Investment" (2022) with Prof. Andrey Tomashevskiy

Kathryn Shapiro

Michael Strawbridge
- Publication in PS: Political Science and Politics, "House Republican Decision Making Following the Capitol Riot." (2022), with Prof. Richard Lau
- Wrote an op-ed for the Washington Post's Monkey Cage on House Republicans, Voter Fraud, and Racial Demographics, with Richard Lau
- Participated in the National Conference of Black Political Scientists Founder's Day Symposium at the Annual Meeting in March 2022
- Presented at APSA 2022 on the paper: “Plus ca change … Redux? The New 2016-2020 ANES Election Study Panel
2022 Doctorates Awarded

An impressive group of four young scholars successfully defended notable dissertations in 2022. Congratulations and well done!

Meriem Aissa – “Women and Politics in Algeria: Essays on Political Representation”
- Committee: Mona Lena Krook, chair, Susan J. Carroll, and R. Daniel Kelemen.

Rebecca Kuperberg – “Worldwide Wrongs: Discrimination and Online Violence Against Women in Politics”
- Committee: Mona Lena Krook, chair, R. Daniel Kelemen, and Kira Sanbonmatsu.

Sumin Lee – “Gender Justice for Whom? Domestic Accountability for Wartime Sexual Violence”
- Committee: Manus I. Midlarsky, chair, Michael Kenwick, Summer Lindsey, and Mona Lena Krook.

Kathleen Rogers – “The Role of Emotions in the Symbolic Representation in US Politics”
- Committee: Kira Sanbonmatsu and Susan Carroll, co-chairs, and Richard Lau.
Our outstanding faculty had many publications and presentations over the past year. Here is a small sample:

Milton Heumann
- Presented "Strange Sentences, Unusual Sentences, Creative Sentences: Evolution of Inquiry into ‘Out of the Proverbial Box’ Criminal Sentencing" at Global Meeting of the Law and Society Association with Rutgers’ own Kyle Morgan, Katie Krumbholz, and Alice Militaru and Attorney Lance Cassak

R. Daniel Kelemen
- Published “Seeing Europe like a State,” with Kathleen McNamara in Journal of European Public Policy
- Published “Will Brussels Stop Funding Autocracy?” in the Washington Post
- Published “Russia’s Invasion of Ukraine is Remaking Europe,” with Kathleen McNamara. Washington Post
- Published “The Curious Case of the EU’s Disappearing Infringements,” with Tommaso Pavone in Politico Europe
- Served as Visiting Professor at the University of Zurich and ETH Zurich
- Presented “Federalism and Democratic Backsliding in Comparative Perspective,” with Robert Kaufman and Burcu Kolcak at APSA
- Presented “Where Have the Guardians Gone? Law Enforcement and the Politics of Supranational Forbearance in the European Union,” with Tommaso Pavone at European Union Studies Association Conference,

Jan Kubik
- Published “Beyond ‘Making Poland Great Again.’ Nostalgia in Polish Populist and Non-populist Discourses.” in Sociological Forum, with Marta Kotwas
- Published “Anti-Authoritarian Learning: Prospects for Democratization in Belarus Based on a Study of Polish Solidarity.” in Nationalities Papers, with Tatsiana Kulakevich
- Presented at Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland as part of the 'Masters of Sociology’ series. The essay based on this talk, “The Mythologized Populist Imagination, Carnival Rebellions, and the Fate of Liberal Democracy,” was published in A Sociological Agora. Master Lectures from Poland. The English-language version is forthcoming.

Yalidy Matos
- Published a book review in the American Prospect, “Confronting Latino Anti-Black Bias”, on Civil Rights Lawyer Tanya Kateri Hernández’s "Racial Innocence: Unmasking Latino Anti-Black Bias and the Struggle for Equality"

Jack Levy
- Published “Systemic Effects of Economic Interdependence and the Militarization of Diplomacy: 1914 and Beyond.” in the Journal of Strategic Studies, with William Mulligan
- Participated in a roundtable commemorating Robert Jervis at the International Society for Political Psychology
- Commentator for the workshop “Crisis Diplomacy and War: Lessons for World Politics.” at McGill University.

Ava Majlesi
- Wrote an Op-Ed for the Star-Ledger/NJ.com, From New Jersey: “Thoughts and prayers’ to the people of Iran” on her reflections as an Iranian American about the mass protests that women in Iran have been leading since the killing of Mahsa Amini

Roland Rich
- Published a new book, "The United Nations As Leviathan: Global Governance in the Post-American World"

Kira Sanbonmatsu
- Co-edited the CAWP Series in Gender and American Politics at the University of Michigan Press
- Published “Studying Legislatures at the Intersection of Gender and Race: The View from the 114th Congress.” in P.S.: Political Science and Politics, with Kelly Dittmar and Catherine Wineinger
- Published “Women Voters and the Utility of Campaigning as ‘Women of Color.’” Journal of Women, Politics, & Policy, with Rutgers’ Stacey Greene and Yalidy Matos
- Published “The Persistence of Gender in Campaigns and Elections.” in Cambridge Handbook of Political Psychology, with Rutgers PhD Kathleen Rogers
- Published “Women’s Election to Office in the Fifty States: Changes and Challenges.” in Gender and Elections: Shaping the Future of American Politics, with Maria Wilson

Andrey Tomashevskiy
- Published “Terror, Political Risk, and Effect on Foreign Direct Investment” in Terrorism and Political Violence with Rutgers Jayme Schlesinger
Faculty Achievements & Awards

Susan Lawrence was named Interim Executive Dean for the School of Arts and Sciences: A faculty member in Political Science since 1985, Lawrence is the author of the award-winning book, “The Poor in Court: The Legal Services Program and Supreme Court Decision-Making” and for her teaching, she received the 2001 FAS Award for Distinguished Contribution to Undergraduate Education. As SAS Vice Dean for Undergraduate Education since 2016, she oversaw recruitment, curriculum, instruction, advising, and academic support for the more than 21,000 undergraduates in the School of Arts and Sciences.

Professor Mona Lena Krook received the 2021 Distinguished Award for Civic and Community Engagement from the American Political Science Association: This award honors significant civic or community engagement activity by a political scientist, alone or in collaboration with others, which explicitly merges knowledge and practice and goes beyond research to have an impact outside of the profession or the academy.

In addition, Professor Krook received the 2022 Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order: In recognition of her book, Violence against Women in Politics (2020). With the largest monetary prize in political science, the award recognizes “those who have taken on issues of world importance and presented viewpoints that could lead to a more just and peaceful world.”

Professor Ava Majlesi received the 2022 SAS Award for Distinguished Contributions to Undergraduate Education: An Associate Professor of Professional Practice and Director of the Center for Critical Intelligence Studies, she received the honor for, according to the selection committee, "the clear attention you devote to your teaching and your students, especially during a period when teaching and learning has been more difficult than usual. We are proud to celebrate your contributions to our undergraduate curriculum in the School of Arts and Sciences."
Faculty Achievements & Awards

Professor William Field received the Special Award for Pandemic Pedagogy (2021): Successfully navigating the pandemic and the switch to online learning required significant work from every member of our department. The successful transition was thanks in large part to the organizing skills and effort of William Field, who has directed our undergraduate program since 2013. He mobilized resources to help our faculty and graduates return from break ready to help the students into this new environment. In the words of Dean Lawrence, Prof. Field earned the award for “making extraordinary efforts to ensure that the department’s entire teaching faculty was able to successfully navigate the move to virtual modality.”

Other Notable Awards and Achievements

Professor Jack Levy received the Distinguished Scholar Award for Lifetime Achievement from the International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association.

Professor Yalidy Matos received several honors this past year:
- American Political Science Association Distinguished Junior Scholar in Political Psychology
- Russell Sage Foundation Pipeline Grantee
- Early Career Faculty Fellowship from the Institute for the Study of Global Racial Justice
- City University of New York Dominican Studies Institute Fellowship


Professor Milton Heumann received acclaim this year when news came out that the newest member of the U.S. Supreme Court, Associate Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson had cited Professor Heumann extensively in her thesis at Harvard University. She wrote that Heumann's research into the role of plea bargaining in the U.S. criminal justice system broke new ground in the field.

The Women & Politics faculty were selected as the new editorial team of Politics & Gender, the official journal of the Women, Gender, and Politics Section of the American Political Science Association, for 2022-2025.

- Professor Mona Lena Krook serves as Lead Editor and Professors Nikol G. Alexander-Floyd, Kelly Dittmar, Elena Gambino, Summer Lindsey, and Kira Sanbonmatsu as Associate Editors. Brit Anlar, Ph.D. Candidate, is the Book Review Assistant, and Michelle Irving, Ph.D. Candidate, is the Graduate Editorial Assistant.

UNMA Associate Program Director Dilafruz Nazarova was promoted to Assistant Teaching Professor after several years as a lecturer. Additionally:
- Nominated for the role of the Academic Integrity Facilitator for the Political Science Department and more recently for the University Hearing Board.
- Presented her papers “Fieldwork in Tajikistan: Legal Risks and Insiders’ Perspective” and "Vicious Circle of Patronalism: Constitutional Court Power in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan" at academic conferences in the US and Europe.
Departmental Conferences

Summer Institute in Computational Social Science

In June 2022, the department hosted a partner site for the Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS), which brought together 18 doctoral students and early career scholars from across the social sciences at Rutgers and several other universities. The program provided two weeks of free training in text analysis, digital trace data, surveys and experiments, and machine learning, among other computational social science techniques, as well as opportunities to launch participant-led collaborative research projects. Several doctoral students in the department participated in the program.

Past SICSS-Rutgers participants have gone on to launch their own SICSS sites and publish research that originated at SICSS-Rutgers, including doctoral students Michael Fitzgerald and Katie Krumbholz, who presented their work on gender and politics in academic publishing at the 2022 event.

Professors Michael Kenwick, Katie McCabe, and Andrey Tomashevskiy organized the 2022 event with doctoral students Michael Strawbridge and Jeffrey Coltman-Cormier serving as teaching assistants.

Political Economy of Risk Conference

Last June 2022, Professors Xian Huang and Andrey Tomashevskiy hosted a hybrid conference, Political Economy of Risk and Inequality: Government Policy, Firm Strategies, and Public Opinion. The conference included presentations from many distinguished scholars in the fields of International Political Economy (IPE) and Comparative Political Economy (CPE) on how the trends of globalization, market dualization, and automation since the 1980s have increasingly exposed individuals, firms, and governments to unprecedentedly high risks of economic crisis, labor market dislocation, and demographic transformation.

Professor Tomashevskiy presented his current project "Buying Opportunities: Corruption and Foreign Direct Investment", while Professor Huang presented on her current research interests "Economic Inequality, Distributive Unfairness, and Regime Support in East Asia".

This conference aimed to contribute to a deeper understanding of the political economy of risk management by governments, firms, and individuals and promote collaboration and cooperation in political science research across universities.
This year we were happy to bring the Center for Critical Intelligence Studies (CCIS) into the Department. CCIS is a gateway for students to educational offerings, internships, research opportunities, and careers in the fields of intelligence and national security.

Rutgers became a federally designated Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence in January 2015 through a grant award from the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI). Since that time, CCIS has established a minor in Critical Intelligence Studies and developed educational, research, and internship programs to prepare students for potential careers within the intelligence community and other related fields.

Students in the program also learn to think critically and analytically about the delicate balance between security and civil liberties.

With approximately two hundred students in the program, the minor continues to attract students from a variety of academic disciplines, including students with majors in computer science, information technology and informatics, cognitive science, history, political science, public policy, geography, and other disciplines.

Each semester, Rutgers students are competitively selected to join the Network Contagion Lab at Rutgers (NC Lab at Rutgers), an immersive training program in which students are trained in cutting-edge, open-source intelligence-gathering techniques to identify and forecast cyber-social threats to better protect vulnerable communities from hate-based violence. 2022 Reports with contributions from Rutgers students include "Self-Harm and Suicide Growing Rapidly on Twitter" and "Anti-Hindu Disinformation"

In addition to internship and job offers from ODNI, DIA, CIA, DHS, FBI, Department of Energy, and other federal agencies, Rutgers students have also had the opportunity to serve as research fellows/interns with the U.S. Coast Guard Intelligence – Sector New York, the National Intelligence University, the Miller Center Pandemic Task Force, the Environmental Investigation Agency, and The NYU Global Security Operations Center

Visit intel.rutgers.edu for more information about the Center for Critical Intelligence Studies and opportunities available to students interested in intelligence and national security.
Ann Marie Fiorella-Mullen received the SAS Staff Excellence Award (2021): Regarded as an outstanding administrator, she was recognized in particular for her efforts on behalf of the UNMA Program. With her dedication and commitment to the students, the program has experienced impressive growth. Based on her extensive prior experience in the corporate world and academia, Ann Marie has created a wide variety of new services for UNMA students and faculty. Additionally, her efforts to assist faculty in developing new UNMA courses has contributed to improving the program curriculum and meeting the growing needs of the program’s student body.

Jacqueline Vinasco joined the Department of Political Science as Senior Program Coordinator Supervisor:

Prior to Political Science, Jackie spent time working for the Rutgers Business School MBA Program and in the School of Public Health's Epidemiology & Biostatistics departments. At SPH, Jackie was a coordinator in charge of helping with all event planning, convocation ceremonies logistics/execution, academic support, database management, logistics/planning, faculty recruitment and onboarding activities, public relations, fundraising activities, course scheduling, expense management/processing, and assisting faculty, students and administrators for the various departments.

Jackie has also worked at NJIT (Newark, NJ) & Kean University (Union, NJ) respectively where she was a Program Assistant and an Assistant to the Chair.

From everyone in the department, we thank our amazing staff for all they do to make our students and faculty successful members of the Rutgers community!
Other News and Celebrations

In future Annual Reports, we would like to include a section with major career and life updates from Rutgers Political Science alumni, if you have something to share please send it to news@polisci.rutgers.edu for next year's report.

For now, here are a few examples of updates on the professional achievements of some of our graduates:

Graduate Students:

Marika Dunn was promoted to Executive Director of Research Development at Rutgers Office for Research.

Benjamin Dworkin has been named one of the most important influencers in New Jersey Higher Education by the business media company ROI-NJ. Dr. Dworkin is the founding director of the Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship at Rowan University.

Undergraduate Students:

Aniket Kesari is a research fellow at NYU’s Information Law Institute who studies privacy, cybersecurity, and consumer protection. Next year, he will join the faculty of Fordham Law.

Sivaram Cheruvu recently started a position as an Assistant Professor of Political Science in the School of Economics, Political & Policy Sciences at the University of Texas at Dallas.

Eric Ortega is currently the creator and showrunner for VICE’s political series ‘Breaking the Vote’ and ‘Field Notes’ while acting as Senior Producer for the news organization’s primetime program ‘VICE News Tonight.’ In 2021 he won two News & Documentary Emmys for Best Overall Newscast and for Best Breaking News Story for his part in covering the George Floyd protests.

Tiffany Kaszuba has joined a federal consulting firm where she leads an executive communications contract for the Under Secretary for Health and Chief of Staff of the Veterans Health Administration.

Victoria Field, a 3L at Fordham Law School, has founded the Law Student Mental Health Alliance. This first-in-the-country organization is a network of law students from across the United States and Canada who are joining together to share resources and engage in mental health advocacy.

Two members of our department family welcomed new members to their own this year!

Professors Andrey Tomashevskiy and Christine Cahill welcomed a new baby boy to their family, Felix Joseph Tomashevskiy, on January 5th, 2022.

Professor Katherine McCabe and her husband Winston Chou welcomed their first child, Oscar Andre Chou on October 24th, 2022.
Dr. Alex Zamalin joined the University as a Professor of Africana Studies and Political Science in Fall 2022.

Professor Zamalin is also a co-editor of a collection of scholarly essays aimed at reinterpreting the American political tradition, American Political Thought: An Alternative View (2017). His scholarly essays have appeared in various edited book collections and journals, and he has been a guest on NPR and MSNBC. His work has been featured in The Guardian, Literary Hub, Religion Dispatches, ESPN’s Undefeated, and YES! magazine.

Prior to his arrival at Rutgers, Professor Zamalin was the director of the African American Studies Program and an associate professor of political science at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Dr. Douglas Cantor joined our department as a lecturer in Fall 2022.
With a Ph.D. from the University of Illinois at Chicago with a specialization in Urban Politics, he brings 10 years of teaching experience at a number of universities. Doug recently moved from Los Angeles, and Rutgers is quite the homecoming for Doug, as he is originally from New Jersey. He lives in Highland Park with his wife, Victoria and baby daughter, Lana.

Dr. Bengi Gumrukcu joins the Department as a visiting lecturer.
She has been affiliated with the Department for a few years, including last year at the Center for European Studies. Great to have you with us again Bengi!
We will miss two valued and distinguished members of the Department that recently retired:

**Dr. Susan J. Carroll**

As a pioneer in the study of women and politics, not only at Rutgers but within the discipline of Political Science at large, Professor Susan Carroll had many enduring accomplishments during her four decades in the Department. Perhaps foremost among them was her integral role in founding the Women and Politics Program in the Department in 1986. The program has defined this field of study in the United States and graduated 75+ PhDs across all subfields of political science. In addition, Professor Carroll was a senior scholar for The Center for American Women and Politics (CAWP) at the Eagleton Institute, through which she made numerous contributions to the study of women and American politics. Sue was also a founding member of the Women and Politics Research Section of the American Political Science Association (APSA).

An alumna of Miami University (Ohio) and Indiana University, she joined the Department in 1981. The author of countless scholarly articles and five books during her decades-long career at Rutgers, she received the Lifetime Contribution to Political Studies Award from the Political Studies Association and the Outstanding Professional Achievement Award of the Midwest Women's Caucus of Political Science.

Above all, Sue has been a deeply valued colleague and mentor to countless students.

**Dr. Dennis Bathory**

Having joined the Department in 1971, Professor Bathory spent five decades as an integral and trusted colleague. He was the founding director of the Lloyd C. Gardner Fellowship Program in Leadership and Social Policy, and for nearly twenty years, from 1988 until 2006, Dennis served as the Graduate Director for the Department, a role he graciously resumed for a short period at the end of his tenure in 2021. Always dedicated to departmental service, he also served as Chair of the Department from 2006 to 2009.

Dennis’ contributions stretch well beyond his leadership roles, as he was a well-respected expert in political theory from Plato and Aristotle to Tocqueville. His well-known books include Leadership in America: Consensus, Corruption, and Charisma (1978) and Political Theory as Public Confession: The Social and Political Thought of St. Augustine of Hippo (1981).

He had also been the Chair of the SAS Curriculum Committee since 1994 and the senior Commencement Marshal for the Graduate School since 1995.

Professor Bathory demonstrated extraordinary dedication and mentorship to his students throughout his career and contributed in numerous ways to the Department and Rutgers University.
In Memoriam: Dr. Michael Curtis

Rutgers Distinguished Professor Emeritus Michael Curtis, a public intellectual and eminent scholar on Europe and Middle East politics died on Monday, October 3, 2022. He celebrated his 99th birthday on September 11. Dr. Curtis taught at Rutgers from 1963 until the early 1990s.

Curtis graduated from the London School of Economics with a double major in economics and political science. Having already published his first book in the UK on British politics, he came to the United States in 1954 on a Cornell University postgraduate fellowship to study American political systems. He was teaching at University College London and few in England knew anything about American politics. He met his first wife, the late Laura Goldsmith Curtis, at Cornell and eventually became an American citizen.

His interest in international politics was evident by the time he was 13 years old. In 1936 he participated in the famous incident when the Jewish population along with other residents of London’s East End prevented the Fascists led by Oswald Mosely from marching down Cable Street, one of the major thoroughfares in the East End. His service during World War II in the Royal Artillery Corps led him to stations in Germany and Trieste, further contributing to his interest in international politics.

His first book after coming to the United States was Three Against the Third Republic (1959). This book is considered the definitive study of early 20th century French politics and the rise of the Right after the Dreyfus affair. In 2014 he was honored by the president of France as Chevalier of the French Legion of Honor for his contributions to the study of the history of French political thought and 20th century French politics.

Inspired by the French Nazi hunter Serge Klarsfeld’s book of photos of hundreds of French children murdered during the Holocaust, Curtis turned to an examination of France’s complicity in that horrific event. The result, Verdict on Vichy, came out first in 2002 and was named one of the best books of the year by The Daily Telegraph. It went on to be published in the United States in 2004 and was also translated into Italian and Czech.

Curtis was the author of more than 35 books. In addition to his work on French politics, his books cover the fields of political theory, comparative government, Western European politics, the European Union, and the United Nations. He has long been known for his writing on antisemitism, totalitarianism, the Middle East, and Israel.

Additionally, Curtis received numerous awards and commendations, taught and guest-lectured at many universities throughout the world, served on the board of multiple international organizations, and from the mid-1990s published almost daily columns in The New English Review and The American Thinker.

Curtis was also admired by many for his comprehensive knowledge of the history of jazz and the Great American Songbook. He often played with lines by famous lyricists like Ira Gershwin, Cole Porter, or Dorothy Fields in the opening sentences of his articles. For years, he and his second wife, artist and curator Judith Kapstein Brodsky, hosted jazz greats like Fred Hersh and Bill Charlap to give concerts in their Princeton home.

In addition to his second wife, Curtis is survived by two sons. Dr. Anthony Curtis, a patent lawyer living in Illinois and Michael D. Curtis, the Communications Director, Republican Party of New Mexico. Curtis is also survived by two step-children, John B. Brodsky and Dr. Frances M. Brodsky, six grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and one great grandchild.
In Memoriam: Dr. Roy Licklider

Rutgers Professor Emeritus Roy Eilers Licklider, 81, died on Thursday, November 10, 2022, after a yearlong battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig’s disease).

The son of Agnes Eilers Licklider Kenton and Woodburn Jennings Licklider, Roy was born and raised in western Colorado and central Arizona, instilling in him a deep and abiding love for the open desert. He attended the Orme School in Prescott, AZ, Boston University for his BA, and Yale University where he received his PhD in International Relations.

After teaching at Tougaloo College in Jackson, MS for a year, he began his storied 50-year career at Rutgers University from which he retired as Professor Emeritus. He then taught briefly at Columbia University, where he was also associated with the Saltzman Institute.

As a Westerner transplanted to the East, Roy famously wore Navajo turquoise belt buckles and watchbands as reminders of his Western identity. After his first book The Private Nuclear Strategists (1971), Roy wrote about the strategic use of oil reserves in Political Power and the Arab Oil Weapon (1988). Roy then turned his attention to civil wars in Stopping the Killing: How Civil Wars End (1993). In 2006, he edited with Mia Bloom a collection of articles studying how countries move on after civil war, Living Together After Ethnic Killing, followed in 2014 by New Armies from Old: Merging Competing Military Forces after Civil Wars. Even though he often described his main interest as “guns and bombs,” he was recently beginning to study large migrations of peoples across continents and the political and social effects of such migrations.

For over 20 years, Roy attended the graduate seminars of Charles Tilly at the New School as a professor, following Tilly when he moved to Columbia. Roy was known in this and other professional settings for asking, “So what? Why is your work significant? Why does it matter?”

He leaves behind his beloved wife of 51 years, Patricia Minichino Licklider, his beloved daughter and son-in-law Virginia and Andrew Still, and his adored twin grandchildren. His much-loved sister Nan Rucker Kenton predeceased him in 2019.

Roy and Pat were avid travelers, especially with friends. They were planning to celebrate their golden anniversary with a river cruise to Normandy when ALS struck. We will sorely miss his warmth and his zest for good friends, good music, and good food and wine. His generosity was extraordinary: he always carried a few five-dollar bills in his pocket for street solicitors with a good story. We are only now learning of his many acts of invisible kindness. He felt a great responsibility to share the gifts and privileges he had been given. And we will miss his great booming laugh.

No obituary can do justice to Roy. He was an incredibly special man of a very rare breed. We miss him more than words can say.

A service was held at Riverside Memorial Chapel on Thursday, November 17. A recording of this service will be available at https://www.legacycelebrated.com/roy-licklider for the next year. A memorial celebration of Roy’s life will be planned in the new year. In lieu of flowers, donations in Roy’s name may be made to the International Rescue Committee (https://www.rescue.org), the Food Bank of New York City (https://www.foodbanknyc.org), or the American Indian College Fund (https://collegefund.org).
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