In Memoriam: Gunnar Nielsson, 77

The retired professor of international relations taught in USC Dornsife for 37 years and served as director of the USC graduate programs in London and West Germany.

By Pamela J. Johnson
July 20, 2011

Gunnar Nielsson, retired professor in USC Dornsife's School of International Relations and expert in European integration, has died. He was 77.

Nielsson died July 10 at a nursing facility in Seal Beach, Calif., after heart complications.

“My father will be missed by all for his humor, intellect and loving spirit,” said his daughter Caitlin Nielsson of Long Beach, Calif. “He epitomized Albert Einstein’s words that ‘intellectual growth should commence at birth and cease only at death.’”

Nielsson joined USC Dornsife in 1968 as professor of international relations and taught for 37 years until his retirement in 2005. During the ’70s he served as director of the USC graduate program abroad in London and West Germany, focusing on the topics of European integration politics and the European Union.

Over the years, he participated in professional conferences and seminars worldwide dealing with the European Union. In December 1990, he organized a conference in Germany, “After 40 Contentious Years: The Two Germanies Since 1949,” sponsored by USC Dornsife’s School of International Relations, Department of History and USC Max Kade Institute for Austrian-German-Swiss Studies.


Nielsson’s research focused on ethnicity and nationalism in world politics. One part involved mapping ethnicity and nationalism into a global database called “ethniecn.” Using that database, he developed a graphic program that showed the geographic maps of ethnic groups and nations in contrast to the state-centric maps typically used. The database enables researchers to study more systematically the process of political mobilization from ethnic categories to nations.

Most recently, he worked with Steven Lamy, professor of international relations and vice dean for academic programs in USC Dornsife, on an educational outreach program centered on nationalism in Europe.
“Gunnar was the first person I met at USC,” recalled Lamy, who arrived in 1982. “He took me on a grand tour of the campus and introduced me to the School of International Relations. He cared about his students, his colleagues and he was dedicated to the School of International Relations. These are characteristics and values sometimes hard to find.

“Gunnar was a true Danish social democrat who put the welfare of the community over individual self-interest. He was a gentleman, a scholar and a great teacher.”

Born in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1933 to Oluf Nielsson and Ellen Pedersen, Gunnar Nielsson was the eldest of six children. He migrated to the United States in 1956 speaking little English and soon began his studies at Los Angeles City College. After completing an associate’s degree, Nielsson studied political science at UCLA and graduated with honors in 1961. That Fall he became a Woodrow Wilson Fellow and in 1963 earned a master’s in international relations from the University of California, Berkeley with a thesis titled “Commonwealth Consultation and Cooperation: A Case Study of the 1956 Suez Crisis.” He earned a Ph.D. from UCLA in 1966 with his dissertation, “Denmark and European Integration: A Small Country at the Crossroads.”

Nielsson began his teaching career at the University of California, Riverside, where he taught several classes in international relations and comparative politics. Upon arriving at USC, he began his role as faculty adviser for the university's Model United Nations, a job he kept until his retirement.

“It was one the most rewarding teaching positions he held,” Caitlin Nielsson said.

Family members recalled that Nielsson loved to talk politics, travel, teach and watch Premier League soccer games. In addition to being part of the Unitarian community in Long Beach, he was an avid ballroom dancer, held season tickets to the Long Beach Symphony Orchestra and never missed a day reading The New York Times.

John Odell, professor and director of the School of International Relations, remembered how Nielsson warmly welcomed him as a new colleague in 1982.

“Gunnar Nielsson was a dedicated and caring teacher of thousands of international relations students during his long career at USC Dornsife,” Odell said. “Many students remember his course on European international relations, another on ethnicity and nationalism, and the fun of playing roles in Model United Nations under his guidance.

“He was my friend and I miss him.”

Longtime colleague Peter Berton, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of International Relations, and his family went on trips to Europe with Nielsson and his family.

“Gunnar introduced me to Heidelberg University in Germany, we cruised on a boat on the Neckar River and toured the oldest salt mine in Europe with our families,” Berton said.

At USC, “I have fond memories of meeting him Saturdays for violin lessons for his daughter Lisa and my son Jonathan, who carried their small three-quarter violins,” Berton said.

Berton said Nielsson made great contributions to USC Dornsife by “being mentor for students in the Model United Nations program, having considerable expertise in European affairs, and directing the school’s England and Germany programs.”

One of Nielsson’s past students is Marc Mund, who earned his bachelor’s degree in 2005. Mund was so fond of Nielsson’s teaching he started a Facebook page for former students described as “a group dedicated to the IR School’s finest, Dr. Gunnar Nielsson.” The page is titled, “Gunnar Forever.”
Nielsson is survived by daughters Lisa, Christina and Caitlin and five grandchildren Adrianne, Zachary, Sophia, Raphael and Isaiah. He is also survived by his family in Denmark including two brothers Jorgen (with sister-in-law Bitten) and Nils, and his sister Lissi (with brother-in-law Bob), as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

A memorial service to celebrate the life of Gunnar Nielsson will be held at 5 p.m., Sunday, July 24, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Long Beach, 5450 E. Atherton St., Long Beach, Calif., 90815. For more information call (949) 233-1790.

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**School of International Relations and U.S. Air Force Host National Security Conference**

*The event included 25 scholars from 14 West Coast universities and think tanks. U.S. Air Force Secretary Michael Donley, a USC Dornsife alumnus, led the discussions among scholars and other Air Force officers.*

By Pamela Johnson, John Odell and Rebecca Rice  
July 7, 2011

In a recent conference held at USC, United States Air Force Secretary Michael Donley, an alumnus of the school, said that today’s military must integrate knowledge from multiple disciplines and called for help from academia. Sponsored by USC Dornsife’s School of International Relations, the conference was led by Donley, an alumnus of the school.

“After two successful Air Force national security scholars’ conferences on the East Coast — first in Washington and then in Boston — it was time for a conference on the West Coast,” Donley told the participants. “What better place to have it than USC.”

Donley was among 16 Air Force officers including five generals who spent the day discussing national security issues with 25 international relations and engineering scholars from 14 West Coast universities and think tanks.

In the opening session, Albert Carnesale, UCLA’s chancellor emeritus, asked Donley and Gen. Edward Rice, Jr., commander of Air Education and Training Command and recently commander of U.S. forces in Japan, about important issues facing the Air Force.

“How do we now think about the economic entanglements and social and cultural entanglements as elements of deterrence?” asked Donley, underscoring the need for a multi-discipline emphasis in the Air Force. “Where do we go with deterrence theory for what one might call non-state actors or non-traditional actors on the international scene?
“And how do we think about global trends in regional and local contexts? What does globalization mean to the greater Middle East right now as we look at the ‘Arab Spring’ and the impact of communications technologies, and the cultural influences from the West?”

During an afternoon panel on the strategic future of Asia and the Pacific, participants included Lt. Gen. Herbert “Hawk” Carlisle, Air Force deputy chief of staff for operations; David Kang, director of the Korean Studies Institute and professor of international relations in USC Dornsife and professor of business in the USC Marshall School of Business; University of California, Berkeley professor Michael Nacht; and Stanford University professor Scott Sagan.

The threat of terrorists obtaining nuclear weapons from Pakistan was on the minds of several participants. One speaker said the risk is low as long as the Pakistani military keeps its weapons on its bases. However, if the Pakistani military deployed into the field in a crisis, the possibility could be high, the speaker said. On base, the Pakistani military would be better able to maintain the security of the weapons, but in the field it could prove difficult to prevent spies among them from transferring a weapon to terrorist confederates outside.

Nacht, who served recently as assistant secretary of defense for Global Strategic Affairs, highlighted security consequences of the U.S. federal budget deficit. Political deadlock in the U.S. has rendered it seemingly incapable of reaching an agreement to substantially reduce the deficit, Nacht contended.

As a result, Washington may have to reduce permanent deployments of U.S. forces overseas. It may also force new alignments, such as closer relations with Southeast Asian countries to counter the growth of China’s increasing power.

On another matter, Kang noted that while most governments are planning for the eventual collapse of North Korea’s state to spur massive immigration, “in fact huge population movements are unlikely,” he said. The conventional wisdom that when North Korea collapses, hundreds of thousands or millions of North Koreans will flood the borders over to South Korea and China is incorrect, he said. “Research in other famines and civil wars shows that most citizens stay close to home,” he said, referring to the possibility of North Koreans staying inside their state.

“The people don’t want to leave their home,” Kang said. “And in fact much of the planning we’ve been doing based on certain scenarios, based on massive flows — that is probably a less likely scenario.

“Even now, for example, at the height of the famine, maybe 100,000 North Koreans have left,” he said. A final panel discussed fundamental game-changers and discontinuities that might emerge globally over the coming decades.

Lt. Gen. William Lord, the Air Force’s chief of warfighting integration and chief information officer at the Pentagon, and Dean Peter Cowhey of the University of California, San Diego, led a discussion of the security implications of information technology innovations.

The conversation focused on U.S. vulnerability to cyber warfare with one participant suggesting that the rest of the world feels even more vulnerable. Some countries consider the latest innovations — mobile devices and cloud computing (delivering hosted services over the Internet) — as a new reassertion of American power, the participant said.

“The discussions were quite thought-provoking, especially because this gathering was unusual in several ways,” said John Odell, professor and director of the School of International Relations and conference co-host. “Scholars enjoyed a rare chance to share insights with top leaders informally, while Air Force leaders left the Pentagon to listen and influence the academic agenda. The meeting brought together academic tribes that rarely sit at the same table. And it gave students rare direct contact with players in the events they are studying.”
“It was a terrific opportunity for us all.”

During lunch, Donley spoke to international relations students about his experiences since his time at USC Dornsife, including posts as a national security leader in the Congress’s staff, the White House and the Pentagon.

Rather than expecting to plan an entire career, he encouraged students to “bloom where you are planted,” and always leave an organization better than when you arrived.

“Work hard at what you do, learn all you can about an organization, make a contribution, and be open to new opportunities,” Donley said.

While at USC, Donley also visited with members of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 060. Some students named the April 26 conference and visit as a highlight of their academic careers.

“The opportunity to meet with Secretary Donley was a defining moment of my three years at the University of Southern California,” USC Dornsife international relations junior Anna Phillips said. “It was an opportunity that I will carry with me for a lifetime.”

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**Report from Abroad**

**June 22, 2011**

SIR Student Travis Glynn is currently participating in a State Department Critical Language Program in Lucknow, India.

"As many of you know I am the recipient of a Department of State Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) to study Urdu in Lucknow, India. Because of my studies in international relations and my cultural anthropology minor with a focus in this region, I applied and am very excited to have been selected for this program."

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**SIR Student Speaks at UNHRC**

**June 20, 2011**

SIR student Rebecca Wertman is participating in our SIR Geneva Program this summer, and is interning for the UN Watch. She recently addressed the UN Human Rights Council on behalf of UN Watch.

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**Report from Abroad**

**June 16, 2011**

Professor Kosal Path is in Cambodia for a Problems without Passports course with several USC students. They are keeping a blog of their experiences, which you can read [here](#).
Report From Abroad

June 14, 2011

Danielle McLaughlin (Assistant to the Directors) just returned from Brussels where she was helping students settle in. She filed this report:

"The program began on Sunday, May 29 with the arrival of the students to Brussels and check-in at the Hotel Adagio. On Monday, we traveled as group for an orientation at VUB’s Institute for European Studies where the students will attend class. That afternoon, each student met with their internship coordinators to get acquainted and familiarize themselves with their internship assignments. The group interned full time the first week and used the evenings to see the city. We were also fortunate enough to have unseasonably warm weather and a holiday on Thursday so we ventured out of Brussels to Antwerp to enjoy the sites. In the coming weeks the students will be visiting the European Commission and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace’s Europe Center."

New Article by Prof. Hayward Alker

June 9, 2011

A new article by Professor Hayward Alker was in review at the time of his death in 2007. The article is entitled "The powers and pathologies of networks: Insights from the political cybernetics of Karl W. Deutsch and Norbert Wiener," and is in the June 2011 issue of *European Journal of International Relations*. Thomas Biersteker and SIR Professor Ann Tickner revised it in light of the referee reports and James Der Derian provided an introduction. You can read the article [here](#).

Report from Abroad

June 6, 2011

Student Advisor Katrina Miranda has been busy with two summer abroad programs, on in Washington, DC, the other in Geneva. She filed this report.

"The students arrived in Geneva on Saturday, May 28. Our check-in at the Hotel Drake went well, and we had a group dinner with all 14 students on our first evening so I was able to meet and talk to the two students who are not staying with us at the hotel. The weather was nice our first weekend, and we were able to go to the little beach area on the lake on Sunday. The students interned full time this week, and everyone seems to be enjoying their internship so far. The Grad Institute hosted a Welcome Event for us on Monday, which went really well. The students will be starting this course on Monday."
SIR Alumna Nanci Nishimura Appointed to the Commission on Judicial Performance by Gov. Brown

May 18, 2011

NANCY E. NISHIMURA, a partner with the law firm of Cotchett, Pitre & McCarthy, LLP, has been appointed by GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN to the Commission on Judicial Performance. The Commission consists of eleven members: one Justice of a Court of Appeal and two Judges of Superior Courts appointed by the Supreme Court; two attorneys appointed by the Governor; and six public members appointed by the Governor and the Legislature. Members are appointed to four-year terms.

Ms. Nishimura received her B.A. (1975) and M.A. (1978) from the University of Southern California. She attended Waseda University in Tokyo and worked at the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI). While earning her M.A. in International Relations at USC, she studied at the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland.

Ms. Nishimura received her Doctor of Laws from The Columbus School of Law (1989) at The Catholic University in Washington, D.C. She clerked at the U. S. Overseas Private Investment Corporation, the International Trade Commission, and served as a Legislative Aide to U.S. Senator Daniel Inouye. She has appeared before the United States Supreme Court in a precedent-setting privacy case and was named one of 2010's Top 100 Women Litigators by the Daily Journal in California. She serves on the Board of Governors for the California Women Lawyers and is the Second Vice President. She served as a Commissioner on the State Bar Judicial Nominees Evaluation Commission (2004-2008) and serves pro tem as needed.

She serves on the San Mateo County Bar Association, Conference of Delegates, is a Trustee of the California Science Center Foundation, and former President of the Board of Directors of The Muses of the California Science Center. Her parents spent World War II in the Heart Mountain, Wyoming Internment Camp and she actively supports Japanese-American associations and the Asian-American Bar Assn.

SIR Student Awarded Global Scholar Prize

May 10, 2011

School of International Relations senior Brandon Miliate has been named a Global Scholar. At the 2011 commencement, the university will recognize 53 seniors as USC Global Scholars. Each student spent at least ten weeks outside the U.S. as part of their undergraduate experience in their field of study with a grade point average of 3.5 or better. Of the 21 graduating scholars who were selected as prize finalists by their school, eight have been nominated to receive a $10,000 prize.

Emeritus Professor Michael Fry Publishes a New Book

April 2011

Emeritus Professor Michael Fry has published a new book called, *And Fortune Fled*. The First World War was the defining event of the twentieth century and the Paris Peace Conference the most important such conference. The four years following the war helped determine whether the world would find peace or face another war. In December 1916 David Lloyd George became Prime Minister of Britain and came to dominate wartime diplomacy and postwar international affairs. Although he resigned in October 1922 and never held high office again, he was the pre-eminent liberal statesman of the twentieth century. Arguably Lloyd George was the equal of Winston Churchill as a war leader and indisputably superior as a creative, ingenious, and visionary statesman.
Prof. Lowenthal Named Visiting Scholar at Harvard

April 2011

Professor Abe Lowenthal has been appointed the Central American Visiting Scholar of the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies (DRCLAS) at Harvard University for 2011-2012.

Prof. Tickner has a Forthcoming Book: "Feminism and International Relations"

April 20, 2011

Feminism and International Relations: Conversations about the past, present and future, edited by J. Ann Tickner & Laura Sjoberg (SIR alumna) will be published June 8, 2011 by Routledge.

Feminist International Relations scholarship in the United States recently celebrated its 20th anniversary. Over those years, feminist researchers have made substantial progress concerning the question of how gender matters in global politics, global economics, and global culture. The progress has been noted both in the academic field of international relations and, increasingly, in the policy world.

Celebrating these achievements, this book constructs conversations about the history, present state of, and future of feminist International Relations as a field across subfields of IR, continents, and generations of scholars. Providing an overview and assessment of what it means to "gender" IR in the 21st century, the volume has a unique format: it features a series of intellectual conversations, presenting cutting-edge research in the field, with provocative comments from senior scholars. It examines issues including global governance, the United Nations, war, peace, security, science, beauty, and human rights and addresses key questions including:

- What does viewing the diverse problems of global politics through gendered lenses look like in the 21st Century?
- How do feminisms accommodate differences in culture, race, and religion?
- How do feminist theoretical and policy analyses fit together?

These conversations about feminist IR are accessible to non-specialist audiences and will be of interest to students and scholars of Gender Studies, Feminist Politics and International Relations.

From Professor Ann Tickner:

Laura Sjoberg and I recently received this message from Christine Swedowsky, The US-based Marketing Manager for Politics at Routledge which contained the following:

- Your outstanding book "Feminism and International Relations" has caught my attention at the ISA, where it was one of our bestsellers (despite not having published, I might add). I would very much like to give the title an extra amount of tailored promotion and would appreciate the opportunity to discuss further marketing for your book with you. I am looking forward to working with you on the promotion of your title - I do believe it has great potential.

The book was the outcome of a CIS workshop in April of 2010, organized by Jane Jaquette of Occidental College, Laura Sjoberg of University of Florida and myself, entitled "Twenty-years of Feminist International Relations: Conversations about the past, present and future." Conference papers, which are now book chapters, are all written by former (recent) USC Ph.D students and former CIS postdoctoral fellows. Commentaries are provided by senior scholars in the field, all of whom have some prior association with USC through participation in earlier CIS conferences or as postdoctoral fellows. The conference was sponsored by CIS, SIR, and the College of Letters Arts and Sciences (now the Dana and David Dornsife College).
I am so pleased that this book generated such interest at the International Studies Association Annual Conference that Routledge has flagged it as one of their potential best sellers. It is a real tribute to our graduate and postdoctoral programs and especially to the young scholars who have come through these programs whose work is generating such excitement at an early stage in their careers. I would like to thank all those who participated in the conference and who have worked so hard on this project. The speed with which it has come to publication is due to the untiring efforts of Laura Sjoberg, my former student whose own recent Ph.D student, Jessica Peet, is an author in the volume and who will be teaching at SIR next year.

Ann Tickner

Congratulations!

CIS would like to congratulate this year's competition winners

April 19, 2011

*CIS Dissertation Fellowship 2011-12*

RON OSBORN, Politics and International Relations Phd candidate, USC
"Revolutionary Apocalypses: Re-Conceptualizing 'Religious Violence' in the Cases of the Lord's Resistance Army and Shining Path"

KATE SVyatETS, Politics and International Relations Phd candidate, USC
"Energy Cooperation: Economic Potential, Geopolitical Considerations, and Domestic Interest Groups in the Cases of U.S.-Russia, U.S.-Azerbaijan, and Russia-Germany"

*CIS Essay Competition Winners*

THIEN-HUONG NINH, Sociology Phd candidate, USC
"God Has Been Bordered: Vietnamese Caodaists in Cambodia Struggle for Religious and Ethnic Integration Across National Borders"

SAURABH SINGHAL, Economics Phd candidate, USC
"The Economic Costs of Naxalite Violence and the Economic Benefits of a Unique Robust Security Response"

*CIS-CIBER International Business Dissertation Award 2011*

FABIAN BORGES-HERRERO, Politics and International Relations Phd candidate, USC
"Towards a Theory of the Political Economy of the Latin American Welfare State"

*CIS-CIBER Asia/Pacific Business Outlook Conference 2011 Awards*

YING HUANG, Master of Planning candidate, School of Policy, Planning and Development, USC
Research interest: regional growth and economic development in the Pacific Rim

GLORIA KOO, Politics and International Relations Phd candidate, USC
Research interests: international political economy of East Asia, particularly government-business relations and transnational economic cooperation
SIR Student Awarded Renaissance Prize

April 18, 2011

School of International Relations senior, Zara Lukens has been awarded the Renaissance Prize. At the 2011 commencement, the university will recognize 329 seniors as USC Renaissance Scholars. Each student has completed a major and a minor, or a double major, in two disparate fields with a grade point average of 3.5 or better. Each Renaissance Scholar is also entitled to enter the Renaissance Scholar Prize competition. Of the 103 graduating scholars who chose to compete, ten have been nominated to receive a $10,000 prize. The ten prize recipients form an exemplary group. Zara has majors in international relations and neuroscience and a minor in Spanish. Congratulations!

IR 385 Students Present Papers at a Research Conference on the EU

April 12, 2011

The European Union Center of California held the Ninth Annual Claremont-UC Undergraduate Research Conference on the European Union on April 7-8. Students from universities across the US gathered, "for an interactive conference focusing on European issues and student research." Seven students from Assistant Professor Mai'a Davis Cross' "European Foreign Policy and Security Issues" (IR 385) class applied and all were selected to present. Six of the students attended, and Professor Cross acted as a discussant for one of the sessions. The students and the titles of their papers are: Maya Swissa, "Future Stability in the European Union: Realism, Constructivism, and Institutionalism," Catherine Veeneman, "Establishing Europol," Nadia Kim, "The Evolution of Terrorism in the European Union," Kellogg Brengel, "The External nature of European Power: The Relationship between the EU and Africa and the Cotonou Agreement," Myles Lock, "A Democratic Attempt at Supranationalism," and Kimberly Brown, "The Transatlantic Alliance." Maya Swisa's paper was selected as one of the top four of the conference. Her paper will be published in a special volume of conference proceedings, and she will tour the EU institutions in Brussels for one week this summer.

TIRP High School Leadership Conference 2011

April 5, 2011

240 high school students in teams with 60 USC mentor volunteers in a day of strategic planning to address "Failed States" - How will the fate of the bottom billion ever change?

For more information on this year's conference see the TIRP website.

ISA Prize Named for Professor Tickner

March 29, 2011

The Tickner award was established in 2011 to recognize J. Ann Tickner for her pathbreaking role within the International Studies Association and in the discipline of International Relations more generally. This award recognizes someone who, in Tickner's footsteps, consistently combines bravery in pursuing high-quality, pioneering scholarship that pushes the boundaries of the discipline with a deep commitment to service, especially teaching and mentoring.
Professor James Receives the Susan S. Northcutt Award

March 29, 2011

The executive board of the Women's Caucus for International Studies has voted to award the 2011 Susan S. Northcutt Award to Professor Patrick James of the University of Southern California. The committee received thirty-eight letters of support from women and minority members. The Susan S. Northcutt Award was established in 2003 by the Women's Caucus for International Studies (WCIS) to honor the Caucus' founder, Susan S. Northcutt. The award recognizes a person who actively works toward recruiting and advancing women and other minorities in the profession, and whose spirit is inclusive, generous and conscientious. Furthermore, the recipient has made significant contributions through service and competence in the profession of international studies and to the International Studies Association. The award is made annually on the basis of nominations by member(s) of the ISA and selection by the Executive Committee of WCIS. The award will be presented formally in Montreal at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA).

SIR alumna Tatiana Ramirez invites IR majors to intern in Shanghai at the Jane Goodall Institute-Shanghai

March 17, 2011

Tatiana Ramirez has been working at the Jane Goodall Institute Shanghai for the last 3 years, and is launching a US-China student summer internship program that may be of interest to other IR students, specially those with a focus in China. It offers students a six week exchange program in China with a dual focus: Improve existing Chinese language skills, and work as an intern in a Chinese NGO, or in a MNC office. Cross cultural, language focus, community service theme, all managed by the only foreign affiliated environmental NGO legally registered by the PRC. Contact Linda Cole (lcole@usc.edu) if you are interested.

Student Interns at Mayor's Office

February 9, 2011

SIR student Anna Phillips has been accepted as an intern in the Mayor's Office on Homeland Security.

Professor Lamy Publishes New Textbook

January 31, 2011

Professor Steven Lamy has published a new textbook on international relations, *Introduction to Global Politics*, with John Baylis, Steve Smith and Patricia Owens. It is published by Oxford University Press. The first U.S. textbook to offer students a truly global approach, *Introduction to Global Politics* brings together an expert team of international scholars who provide a current, engaging, non-U.S. perspective on international relations. Authors Steven L. Lamy, John Baylis, Steve Smith, and Patricia Owens help students to identify patterns, to apply theories, and to see "the whole chessboard" of global politics. The book's unique organization facilitates this global approach by dividing typical course coverage into several core areas of study—"Foundations," "Theories," "Actors," and "Issues"—allowing not only for maximum teaching flexibility but also for more thoughtful classroom discussions on various theories, transnational actors, and timely global issues. Adding interesting features and critical thinking questions throughout each chapter, the authors take the global approach one step further, encouraging students to develop their own informed worldviews.
USC IR Undergraduate Research Journal

January 21, 2011

Deadline for submissions: January 31st
Interested in submitting a piece to the USC International Relations Undergraduate Research Journal? The journal is a branch of the IRUA and is completely student-run. Our goal this academic year is to revive the journal (the last issue was published over four years ago). We plan to publish an issue in April 2011 and it will consist of 5-10 research pieces written by USC undergraduates. For submission guidelines as well as the application, please email uscirjournal@gmail.com. Don't miss out on a great opportunity to be published!

To share any news updates please contact Ashley Bonanno at bonanno@usc.edu