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## Faculty News

- SPGS professors Daniel Rothenberg and Reed Wood participated in the Future of War Conference in D.C. last week. To learn more about the event and for recap videos, [click here](#).
- Milli Lake's article: [Building the Rule of War: Post-Conflict Institutions and the Micro-Dynamics of Conflict](#) was published in the journal *International Organization* this month.
- Kenneth Abbott received the first Distinguished Scholar Award from the International Law section of ISA at The International Studies Ass'n conference in Baltimore. They held a panel where 10 leading law and IR scholars discussed Abbott's work and its implications both for scholarship and for the current unsettled nature of world politics.
- [At Stanford, Professor Carolyn Warner will be working on a book manuscript, tentatively titled The Politics of Sex Abuse in Sacred Hierarchies](#). The project aims to understand how and why the Catholic Church and the military, as institutions, have handled cases of clergy child sex abuse and military sexual assault, respectively as they have. The project also looks into the conditions under which states challenge the institutions to address sex abuse. The goal is to provide insight that will inform feasible solutions.
- Jeffrey Kubiak was highlighted in Tom Ricks' widely read Best Defense blog in Foreign Affairs titled [An Army program that helps officers become critical strategic thinkers](#).



# Top political scientist joins ASU as Raul Yzaguirre Chair

Rodney Hero, the former president - and first Latino to hold the position - of the American Political Science Association, will be joining Arizona State University as the Raul Yzaguirre Chair in the School of Politics and Global Studies.

"ASU is gaining an invaluable leader in the field of racial and ethnic diversity in American politics. He is an admired undergraduate teacher and graduate mentor. It is altogether fitting that he will hold the Raul Yzaguirre Chair given his extensive and influential service to his profession over the last 30 years" - Patrick Kenney, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

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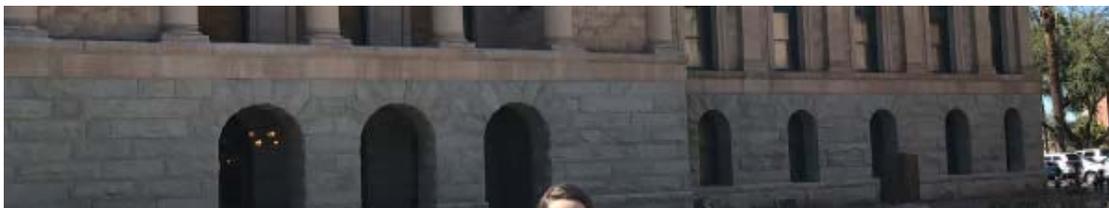
## Q&A: ASU expert talks researching terrorism

A newly published report in the journal *Science* suggests that more field research is needed to understand the fundamental aspects of terrorism.

"There were surprisingly few who had taken the risk to spend time with the 'terrorists' to understand how and why young men and women became involved in such behavior and were ultimately willing to die in acts of violence against others," said co-author Richard Davis, a professor of practice in SPGS.

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## ASU alumna pursues career in public affairs and policy

At the intersection of two bachelor's degrees in political science and journalism plus a Masters of Public Policy, an ASU alumna pursued a career path in the public affairs and policy arena.

"All my degrees had a hand in who I am as a professional," said Carly Fleege, public affairs associate at Hamilton Consulting. "They were all valuable."

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## ASU alumnus receives grant to complete scholarly book

ASU alumnus Christopher Hale first grew an interest in the relationship between politics and religion from SPGS professor Carolyn Warner. Those interests lead him to researching the relationship between the Catholic Church and the Mexican state.

"I noticed an interesting pattern that the church encouraged social movements in some regions but that is also seemed to stifle political activism in others," Hale said. "That observation became the basis of my research question seeking to understand variation in the ability of religious institutions to facilitate political activism."

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