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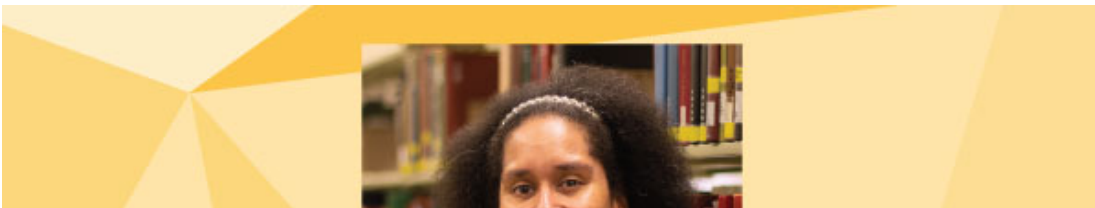


ASU professor awarded Adaljiza Sosa-Riddell Mentor Award

The American Political Science Association (APSA) has awarded Narayani Lasala-Blanco, an assistant professor in Arizona State University's School of Politics and Global Studies, with the 2019 Adaljiza Sosa-Riddell Mentor Award.

Lasala-Blanco was chosen for this award thanks to her work in mentoring graduate students. According to the APSA website, the Adaljiza Sosa-Riddell Mentor Award is named in honor of the first Latina to earn a PhD in political science. The recipient is recognized for their exceptional mentoring of Latina/o students and junior faculty.

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ASU and Capital Scholars program spark career change for alumna

After having the chance to live and intern in Washington D.C. through the Capital Scholars program, ASU alumna Jessica Salow was inspired to pursue a career in a new-found passion.

"It changed my life on a level that is hard for me to explain," said Salow when speaking of the Capital Scholars program. "Not only professionally but personally as well."

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ASU alumna's interdisciplinary path leads to military career

Psychology major Katie Richardson was introduced to the School of Politics and Global Studies and the opportunities they offer during her Political Ideology course taught by Senior Lecturer Tara Lennon.

As a junior she participated in the Policy Design Studio and Internship Program, supported by the McCain Institute.

“Being able to intern for the McCain Institute and New America really opened my eyes to all the opportunities available for someone studying within SPGS.”

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First semester with The College

Growing up some 30 minutes from the Tempe campus, Brooke Zanon first became interested in global affairs in high school.

“We didn’t really have a program for international relations at my school, but I did a lot of research online to see what I wanted to do in the field in the future,” she said. “Before college, I attended a summer camp at Georgetown University that focused on the study.”

Now pursuing a major in global studies in the School of Politics and Global Studies, a minor in political science and a certificate in Islamic studies, Zanon is turning the interests she forged in high school into an academic path at The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

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Faculty News

- Former SPGS Professor Mark Von Hagen passed away in September. He was a prolific academic with expertise in a number of topics ranging from Eastern European history, Holocaust studies and civil-military relations. [A tribute by ASU professor Laurie Manchester.](#)
- SPGS Professor of Practice Daniel Rothenberg and Joseph Hughes from Drexel University were awarded a \$100,000 grant for their project “War and Peace: Creating New Methods

for Researching Severe Conflict and Developing Approaches to Mitigate Harm”.

- Director Cameron Thies gave a keynote address at the Mexican International Studies Association on the topic of populism and foreign policy.
- Associate Professor Thorin Wright served as Program Chair for the International Studies Association, West meeting in Pasadena, CA from Sept 27-28 and will now be taking over as region president for 2019-2020. The event also featured a speech by school Director Cameron Thies in his role as President of the entire International Studies Association.
- SPGS had several graduate students attend and present research at the International Studies Association, West meeting including: Namig Abbasov, Weining Ai, Peyman Asadzade, Ted Combs, Cagla Demirduzen and Chirasree Mukherjee.
- Anand Gopal, professor of practice with SPGS and the Center on the Future of War, received a Conflict Research Fellowship with the [Conflict Research Programme](#) at the London School of Economics and Political Science.
- Peter Singer, professor of practice with SPGS, recently published an article in the New York Times titled, “[The Future of War is Already Here.](#)”
- University Professor Craig Calhoun taught an international master class in Lisbon on “Polanyi’s The Great Transformation and Transformations Today”.
- Dr. Magda Hinojosa was invited to present her work at Temple University in Philadelphia (September 23) and at Occidental College in Los Angeles (September 27). Hinojosa spoke to both audiences about her co-authored work with Dr. Miki Kittilson which examines the effects that increased female representation in government has on citizens.
- Candace Rondeaux, professor of practice with SPGS, recently published an article titled, “[How Much Damage Will Trump’s Scandal Do to Zelensky in Ukraine?](#)” Her column for World Politics Review appears every Friday.
- On September 10-12, University Professor Craig Calhoun made a keynote presentation to the 2019 Congress of the Swiss Sociological Association, Neuchâtel.
- On September 18th, the Center on the Future of War cosponsored the [Special Operations Policy Forum](#) in Washington D.C., with McCain Institute of Arizona State University (ASU), the Global SOF Foundation, and the Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Army War College. This purpose forum was to convene senior U.S. government leaders, leading academics, and national security policy professionals on how to confront the unconventional threats facing Special Operations Forces and how the U.S. military and U.S. government should respond to these threats. Among the presenters were Daniel Rothenberg, co-director for the Center on

the Future of War and professor of practice in SPGS; Peter Bergen, co-director for the Center on the Future of War; Peter Singer, professor of practice in SPGS; and Candace Rondeaux, professor of practice in SPGS

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