ASU senior awarded prestigious Rhodes Scholarship

Arizona State University senior Nathaniel Ross has been awarded the coveted Rhodes Scholarship to pursue postgraduate studies at the University of Oxford.

Ross is the first ASU student awarded an American Rhodes Scholarship in more than 20 years. He is graduating in December with bachelor’s degrees in biological sciences, political science, applied quantitative science, and history.
ASU alum returns as distinguished guest of SPGS

Robert Bond, who graduated from ASU with a Bachelor of Arts in political science in 2006 and a Master of Arts in political science in 2007, returned to Tempe to serve as this year’s Distinguished Alumni Speaker for the School of Politics and Global Studies.

“Robert was an excellent student at ASU and he has excelled as a scholar, and I am glad that we are able to recognize Robert's achievements with the Distinguished Alumni Award,” said Foundation Professor Kim Fridkin.
ASU alum honored as civic leader

Political science alum Jenna Lyon has been a mentor, boss and friend to hundreds of ASU students in her role as Deputy Sergeant at Arms and Constituent Services Liaison for the Arizona State Senate.

Her work has not gone unnoticed. Thanks to the nomination of her chief page, Lyon was recently awarded a Gabe Zimmerman Public Service Award in the category of Civic Leader from the Center for the Future of Arizona.

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4 outstanding ASU alumni honored as
The College Leaders of 2022

On Nov. 18, four outstanding alumni from The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Arizona State University were recognized and celebrated for their accomplishments with an induction into The College Leaders.

Included in this year’s group of leaders is Steven Gillen, who received three Bachelor of Arts degrees in political science, history and Russian in 1993. Gillen credits his undergraduate study of political science at ASU with preparing him for his specialty track as a political officer in the foreign service.

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Other news

In early November, the Center for Latinas/os and American Politics Research (CLAPR) rolled out fresh data from a survey of Arizona voters. The survey included views on candidates in the 2022 midterm elections for office of Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, and U.S. Senate. It was covered by Univision, AZ Central, and more.
Associate Professor Timothy Peterson co-published the article “Does Punishing Sanctions Busters Work? Sanctions Enforcement and U.S. Trade with Sanctioned States” in *Political Research Quarterly*.

On October 21, 2022, University Professor Craig Calhoun was a guest on the *Democracy in Question* podcast, hosted by renowned social anthropologist and CEU President and Rector Shalini Randeria. Professors Calhoun and Randeria discussed the current crisis of U.S. American and global democracy and potential remedies.

On October 12, Professor of Practice Robert Schmidle conducted a workshop on “Organizing for 21st Century Warfare” at the ASU center in Washington DC. The focus was on countering Chinese Cognitive Warfare.

On November 4, 2022, University Professor Craig Calhoun participated in the panel *The Future of Knowledge*, as part of the 20th Anniversary Symposium of the Program on Science, Technology & Society at Harvard University. This panel, which also included ASU President Michael Crow, addressed changes in institutions, forms of knowledge, and relations between science and other dimensions of society.

On October 24, the School of Politics and Global Studies hosted Matt Jacobs, a Public Affairs Specialist at the Department of State and an ASU global studies alum, where he discussed the importance of digital diplomacy.

On October 17, Professor of Practice Robert Schmidle was the keynote speaker at a classified conference at the National Security Agency on the relevance of the discipline of Psychology for Cyber Operations.

On November 10, 2022, SPGS hosted an online discussion of *Degenerations of Democracy*, a book by University Professor Craig Calhoun, Dilip Gaonkar, and Charles Taylor. Assistant Professor Anna Meyerrose moderated a discussion that also featured Foundation Professor Michael Hechter.

On October 17, Professor Keith Brown moderated the Phoenix Committee on Foreign Relations event “An Evening with Antrim and Newtownabbey, Northern Ireland.”
Professor of Practice Peter Singer will serve as the narrator for iHeart Radio’s “LikeWar” podcast which covers how war, technology and conflict all collided on social media.

On October 20, 2022, University Professor Craig Calhoun led a panel discussion at UCI on Protest and Repression in Hong Kong and Iran, 2019-2022. This featured Nathan Law, Pardis Mahdavi, and its organizer, Jeffrey Wasserstrom.