

Imagining Global Citizenship

A speaker series from the Area Studies Programs at the University of Delaware

Thursdays, 4-5:15pm
Gore Hall 103

September 9: *Broadcasting Global Citizenship: New Media and Resistance in Cuba and Venezuela*

PHILLIP PENIX-TADSEN, Assistant Professor of Spanish at UD, earned his PhD in Latin American Cultural Studies from Columbia University in 2009. His research focuses on the contemporary media, visual arts, popular culture, and political movements of Latin America.

September 16: *Working at State*

JOHN QUINTUS entered the United States Foreign Service in 1980. Having received masters degrees from Harvard University and the University Virginia and a Ph.D. from the University of Delaware, he was posted to Canberra, Bonn, Mauritius, Toronto, Yerevan, Belgrade, Leipzig, and Vienna. He was instrumental in creating the German-American Dialogue Center in Magdeburg, and founded the Vienna Initiative for Central Asia, an Austro-American training program for city managers from Central Asia. During his career in the Foreign Service, Mr. Quintus earned a Superior Performance Award, three Meritorious Honor Awards, two Meritorious Pay Increases, and a Career Achievement Award. He has taught at the University of Delaware since retiring from the State Department in 2005.

September 23: *From Memory to Action: Meeting the Challenge of Genocide*

JEAN FREEDBERG has been Director of Policy and Programs for the Committee on Conscience at the US Holocaust Museum since June 2010 and prior to that, the Museum's Communications Director. In this role, she oversees outreach for the Museum's genocide prevention programs, coordinates the Museum's genocide prevention work with government officials and directs initiatives aimed at advancing the Museum's genocide prevention objectives.

September 30: *With a Still Mind and Heart Ocean Wide*

CHELLIE KEW, CEO and Founder of the Q Fund, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to collaborate with communities in turmoil and build school-centered, self-sustaining environments that nurture, educate and empower vulnerable children by honoring diversity, cultivating creativity, and fostering respect for the earth. <http://www.qfund.org/>

October 7: *Fragile Ego: European Perceptions of Islam and America*

PETER O'BRIEN is professor of political science at Trinity University in San Antonio, TX. He is author of *Beyond the Swastika*, a study of the impact of the legacy of the Holocaust on postwar German immigration policy, as well as of many articles on European views of non-Europeans.

October 14: *New Paradigms for Latino/a Studies: From Cultural to Martial Citizenship*

MIGUEL DÍAZ BARRIGA is Professor of Anthropology at Swarthmore College. His work concerns the US Mexico border, in particular immigration reform, border security, immigration rights, and the visual and symbolic manifestations and repercussions of the border wall.

October 21: *A Journalist's Reflections on Global Citizenship*

JASON BEAUBIEN is National Public Radio's Mexico City Correspondent. In his current job, he covers Mexico, the Caribbean and Central America. Beaubien joined NPR's Foreign Desk in 2002 after volunteering to cover a coup attempt in the Ivory Coast. Over the next four years, Beaubien worked throughout sub-Saharan Africa, visiting 27 countries on the continent. In 2006, Beaubien was awarded a Knight-Wallace fellowship at the University of Michigan to study the relationship between the developed and the developing world. Beaubien currently lives in Mexico City with his family. From Mexico City he has filed stories on politics in Cuba, hurricanes in Haiti, the FMLN victory in El Salvador, the world's richest man and Mexico's brutal drug war.

October 28: *Thinking Global: Why Ideas for Developing Ghana's Transportation Infrastructure Matter to the World*

NII ATTOH-OKINE, is Associate Professor in Civil Engineering at the University of Delaware. His research focuses on the areas of artificial intelligence and decision sciences in civil infrastructure systems, graphical probability models, and the Hilbert-Huang transform. He has published many articles on management of uncertainty in civil infrastructure systems, the use of neural networks in infrastructure deterioration modeling, and the Hilbert-Huang transform.

November 4: *Paradise Lost and Found: How a Jewish kid from L.A. traveled to wartime Iraq in search of roots, identity and his father's improbable life story*

ARIEL SABAR is a Journalist and author of award-winning memoir, *My Father's Paradise*, which won the prestigious National Book Critics Circle Award for Autobiography, and was a finalist for the Dayton Literary Peace Prize, an international award for books of high literary quality that foster global understanding. He also covered the 2008 presidential campaigns for *The Christian Science Monitor* and is an award-winning former staff writer for the *Baltimore Sun* and the *Providence (RI) Journal*. His work has also appeared in the *New York Times*, *The Boston Globe*, the *Washington Monthly*, and many other publications.

November 11: *Loyalty and Citizenship in the Age of One Civilization/Many Cultures*

FARHANG RAJAEI is Professor of Political Science and Humanities, as well as Director of the College of the Humanities at Carleton University in Canada. He specializes in political theory and non-Western traditions, particularly Modern Political Thought in Islam. His research concentrates on identity and the human condition through an understanding of the political, in both Western and non-Western traditions. Professor Rajaei will explore the demands of loyalty on the citizen at the age of globalization when humanity is included in the information civilization.

November 18: *Western Rights and Eastern Values? Defining the 'Human' in Human Rights?*

DARRYL FLAHERTY is Assistant Professor of History and a member of the Asian Studies Program. He specializes in Japanese history and East Asian social and political history, from the nineteenth century to the present. With a B.A. from the History program at The Johns Hopkins University, he received his Ph.D. from Columbia University in October 2001. His current work focuses on the emergence of modern law in Japan and associations of lawyers in modern Japanese politics. Other research interests include questions of law and social change in Japan, U.S. military bases in East Asia, and how public spaces express ideology.

December 2: *Sisters in Islam (title to be confirmed)*

MASJALIZA HAMZAH, Social activist and Programme Manager of the Research and Publications unit at Sisters in Islam (SIS), a nongovernmental Muslim professional women's group in Malaysia whose advocacy efforts support "the rights of Muslim women...based on the principles of equality, justice and freedom enjoined by the Qur'an". Prior to that, Masjaliza Hamzah was a journalist for 10 years with a Malaysian daily. <http://www.sistersinislam.org.my/BM/mission.htm>

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