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## UI MODEL UNITED NATIONS DELEGATION

For over thirty years, no University of Idaho student participated in the National Model United Nations (MUN) conference held each Spring in New York City. In 2000, however, The Martin Institute revived the program and sent nine UI students to compete on a team representing the Republic of Moldova. Now, for the second consecutive year, a UI delegation is preparing for the MUN conference; in 2001, eleven University of Idaho students and one from Washington State University will represent Paraguay. Once again, the delegation will be sponsored by the Martin Institute.

This year's delegation will be drawn from the group of 28 students who completed the International Studies 200/400 course, which was team taught this Fall by Dr. Rand Lewis and Dr. Bill Smith. Students in the course learned about diplomacy in general and the inner-workings of the UN in particular. In addition to regular class meetings, students attended three Saturday morning sessions which simulated MUN meetings. Also, UN representative Felicity Hill, who specializes in demilitarization and peacekeep-

ing issues, visited the class to discuss ways in which non-governmental organizations might replace armed forces in peacekeeping missions.

Paraguay has proven to be a fascinating country to study in-depth. Together with all UN member states, Paraguay sits on the General Assembly Plenary, the General Assembly First Committee, the Special Session of

the General Assembly Istanbul +5 Review, and the World Conference Against Racism, Racial Intolerance, Xenophobia, and Related Intolerance. In addition, Paraguay serves on three committees deemed of particular relevance to its national interest: the Inter-American Development Bank, the Group of 77,

and the Commission on Sustainable Development. UI delegates must be completely familiar with all aspects of the issue facing these committees while focusing on Paraguay's position in particular.

The delegation will depart Moscow on April 7 and return on April 15. During their stay in New York, they will be also hosted at a dinner by the New York chapter of the University of Idaho Alumni.



Above is the 2001 National Model UN Delegation from UI. In the back row are the delegates going to New York, and in front are the alternates and researchers who will support them. Back row (l-r): Catherine Lewis (Moscow), Christine Duvalis (Eagle), Jennifer Hathaway (Idaho Falls), David Morse (Moscow), Jacob Schanzenbach (WSU student from Pullman), Kelly Greenfield (Post Falls), Mike Kitzman (Traverse City, MI), Jason Pentzer (Culdesac), Lindsay Smith (Salmon), Christina Pinola (Coeur d'Alene), and Paula Almeida (Quito, Ecuador). Front row (l-r): Mitch Wheeler (Idaho Falls), Jesse Martinez (Burley), Noe Olivera (Prosser, WA), Kathleen Lupo (Veradale, WA), Jeff Ramsey (Moscow), Evan Sloyka (Coeur d'Alene), and Lindsey Phelps (Nampa). Not pictured are Amanda Walrath, a delegate from Idaho Falls and researcher Sean Martindale from Moscow.

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## FACULTY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Martin Institute wants to thank those faculty members from UI and WSU who have supported our programs during the fall semester 2000.

**Arie Bialostocki**, Professor of Mathematics, who spoke to the International Affairs Club regarding the Israel-Palestine conflict;

**Kelly Quinnett**, Lecturer in Theater Arts, who visited the Model United Na-

tions class to provide insight into the public speaking process;

**Maria Jankowska**, Reference Librarian, who provided the Model United Nations group with detailed information on researching UN documents;

**John Kicza**, Professor of History at Washington State University, who spoke to the International Affairs Club about the political situation in Peru.

## BORAH SYMPOSIUM 2001 TO ADDRESS ECONOMIC GLOBALIZATION

The Martin Institute will once again assist with the 2001 Borah Symposium. Scheduled for April 24-26, the symposium features keynote speakers Francis Fukuyama and Carlos Fuentes in addition to a panel of local experts, all of whom will address this year's theme, "Economic Globalization: Source of Peace, Source of Conflict?"

In recent years, the expansion of economic models favored by the developed west into the underdeveloped world has provoked harsh debate regarding the impact of such changes on the populace. Many experts argue that economic globalization is a source of peace because the process better prepares developing nations to participate in the modern economy. However, many others contend that economic and social challenges faced by women, children, the indigenous, and other groups as a result of economic globalization make the process a source of conflict. Frequently, these changes are mandated by agencies such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund before loans are extended.

This year's Borah Symposium will begin with a panel discussion on Tuesday, April 24. Delia Aguilar (WSU Women's Studies), Judy Edmister (private consultant from Lewiston), Sheikh Ghazanfar (UI Economics), Dale Graden (UI History), and Gundars Rudzitis (UI Geography) will all participate. Each panelist will have 5-7 minutes to present their

view of economic globalization, followed by a question and answer session with audience members. The panel discussion will be held in the Law School Courtroom beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Carlos Fuentes, noted author and Mexico's former ambassador to France, speaks Wednesday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. His work deals primarily with Latin America and Hispanics in the United States. Ambassador Fuentes takes a critical view of the effects of economic globalization on Third World countries.

On Thursday, April 26, a brown bag lunch session featuring John Bodley of WSU's Department of Anthropology will be held in the Clearwater Room of the UI Commons. Dr. Bodley studies the effect of economic change on tribal societies.

The concluding speaker for the 2001 Symposium is Francis Fukuyama. The body of Dr. Fukuyama's work deals with democratization and international political economy. His 1999 book *The Great Disruption: Human Nature and the Reconstruction of Social Order* explores the social implications of globalization. Dr. Fukuyama is the director of George Mason University's International Commerce and Policy Program. He also participated in the 1991 Borah Symposium. His lecture will be held at 7:30 p.m. on the 26th, in the SUB Ballroom.

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## NEW PROGRAM COORDINATOR JOINS INSTITUTE



*Dr. Bill L. Smith*

This fall the Martin Institute welcomed Dr. Bill L. Smith as a new program coordinator. His responsibilities will include coordinating logistics for the Borah Symposium, advising the International Affairs Club, working with the Model United Nations class, and some student advising for the International Studies program.

Dr. Smith holds a Ph.D. in history from Washington State University, has taught Latin American history at both WSU and at the University of Idaho and has lived in Mexico, Portugal and Spain. His current Latin American focus will be a great help to International Studies students working on an emphasis in that area of the world.

If you're on the UI campus, please drop by to welcome Bill and get acquainted!

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## MARTIN SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS IS A REALITY AT LAST!

As this issue goes to press, we have just received word from the Idaho Board of Education that the proposal to create a Martin School of International Affairs has been approved. The focus of a great deal of work for many months, this has been an effort since last summer to create a more recognizable, more understandable structure to administer the International Studies major at the University of Idaho. As an interdisciplinary major, there was no academic department to house the International Studies program and no "home" for the growing number of International Studies majors on campus. Recruiting students was made more difficult because the name Martin Institute seemed unrelated to the field of study they wished to pursue – thus the idea to form a School integrated with and yet separate from the Martin Institute.

After discussion in both the College of Letters and Science and the University of Idaho curriculum committees the necessary changes were finally approved in December

and the necessary paperwork forwarded to the UI Board of Regents. With official approval at the state level, we can now continue with the various adjustments this change will entail. Administratively, the Martin School of International Affairs will be part of the College of Letters and Science, but the Martin Institute will be responsible to the office of the UI Provost as is the Borah Foundation (also associated with the Martin Institute). You can look for a new masthead on this newsletter for the next issue, along with further information about how these changes will affect our operations. Also, watch our website for updates on our progress.

We hope you'll share our excitement about the new possibilities open to us within the Martin School of International Affairs, and follow our transformation as we begin this new millennium with a positive move that should enhance our role both within the University of Idaho and in the International Studies arena nationwide.

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## MARTIN FORUMS 2000-2001



Gary Stubblefield

Building on a commitment to provide speakers that are leaders in their fields of international affairs, the Martin Institute sponsored a Martin Forum during the fall semester and has two planned for the spring semester. Our guest this last fall was Gary Stubblefield, a specialist in security. Gary is a 1969 graduate of UI and spent over 20 years in the U.S. Navy as a SEAL. Over the past two years, Gary has been the Chief Operations Officer and President of GlobalOptions, an international security firm. His topic of discussion for the Martin Forum, titled "Russian Nuclear Clean-up: a U.S. Problem?" dealt with his work with the Russians in securing low-grade uranium materials throughout Russia. He visited classes and faculty gatherings, which were held on both UI and WSU campuses and then provided a public discussion at the UI College of Law Courtroom during the evening. Over 150 students, faculty, and community members participated in Gary's presentations.

On April 3, 2001, the Martin Institute will be sponsoring Gary Vest, a UI graduate and presently the Principle Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environmental Security. Gary will present a number of classroom discussions during the week, culminating in a public forum at the College of Law Courtroom at 7:30 p.m. on the evening of April 3. The title of his evening presentation will be "Environment and Security in an International Context: Challenges and Opportunities."

The final Martin Forum for this academic year will be held on May 3, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Law Courtroom. Ambassador Jacques Klein, senior State Department representative in Bosnia, will provide a talk on peacekeeping in the Balkans. Ambassador Klein will be coming from Bosnia for this visit and will provide an up-to-date overview of issues facing the international community in this region of the world.

## MARTIN INSTITUTE JOINS UI INFORMATION ASSURANCE EFFORTS

UI President Robert Hoover was instrumental in incorporating Idaho into the efforts to assure information security into the next century. Through the Computer Science department's Center for Secure and Dependable Software (CSDS), UI has become one of the leading universities in the United States in the development of secure computer systems. Over the past four years, CSDS has worked on research projects for the National Security Agency, totaling over \$4 million. President Hoover and the co-directors of CSDS saw the opportunity to expand efforts in the information security field and the result was a conference in Sun Valley in early July 2000. The Martin Institute was invited to attend. Although not knowing initially how we could participate, it soon became evident that UI was interested in pursuing related issues, including national security interests and international ramifications of computer and network security. Seeing this as an opportunity to develop a niche in research at UI and to obtain grant monies, MI agreed to work with CSDS in developing projects and ultimately an institute at UI that

would continue pursuing Idaho prominence in information security.

As of February 1, 2001, the Martin Institute has co-sponsored or joint-sponsored a number of grant proposals with NASA, Corps of Engineers, the State of Idaho, and NSF, totaling over \$10 million. Although not all of these projects are expected to come to fruition, we are in final consideration for two and the NASA project has been finalized with UI through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in December 2000.

This is the first time that the Martin Institute has been involved in major research grant proposals. We anticipate a continued relationship with the Computer Science department and the newly organized National Information Assurance Institute, providing us with an opportunity to impact policy and international security issues into the future. Of course, the opportunities to provide operating income and to build the existing endowment are available through this initiative. We are looking forward to our role in this precedent setting program at UI.

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## PACIFIC NORTHWEST MODEL UNITED NATIONS

This Spring, the Martin Institute will sponsor the first annual Pacific Northwest Model United Nations (PNMUN) conference. The event, scheduled for April 20-21, will draw students from high schools throughout Idaho and eastern Washington to the University of Idaho campus.

### PNMUN 2001 SECRETARIAT

Secretary General	Christine Duvalis, Eagle
Security Council	Mike Kitzman, Traverse City, Michigan
General Assembly 1st	Jake Schanzenbach, Pullman, Washington
UN High Commission-Refugees	Kelly Greenfield, Post Falls
UN Environment Programme	Amanda Sharp, Riverdale, New York
UN Commission on Human Rights	Amanda Walrath, Idaho Falls
UN Children's Fund	Stephanie Hancock, Idaho Falls
Logistics	David Morse, Moscow
Grant Proposal	Leah Hubbard, Moscow

Although the PNMUN is officially co-sponsored by both UI and Washington State University, the majority of the work is being done by International Studies majors and overseen by Dr. Bill Smith.

The PNMUN is conceived of as a way for area students to participate in the diplomatic process while gaining hands-on experience in negotiations, public speaking, the preparation of position papers, and the functioning of international organizations. Each school delegation

will represent a UN member nation and represent that country's concerns on key issues.

In addition to benefiting delegates with increased knowledge regarding issues of global importance, this event will serve as a valuable recruiting tool for the UI's International Studies major administered by the Martin Institute. The program will be the only one of its kind in the region.

In addition to the Martin Institute, many university entities are supporting the PNMUN. These include Financial Aid at both UI and WSU (scholarships for top delegates), Food Services (complimentary lunch for all delegates) at UI, and Housing Services (reduced room rates and breakfast for interested delegates) at WSU. Other support is anticipated.

The students in the box at left form the organizing board for the 2001 PNMUN. This "secretariat" is responsible for selecting which issues will be discussed, preparing briefs to send to participants, running committee meetings during the conference, and ensuring that the first annual PNMUN is a success. All are volunteers and donate their time outside of any class framework. They have done a fantastic job in priming the PNMUN to be a success.

## SECOND ANNUAL WASHINGTON D.C. GATHERING PLANNED

June 2, 2001 is the day scheduled for the second annual BBQ/alumni & friends gathering at Orval and June Hansen's home in Arlington, Virginia. Last year we enjoyed the company of over 30 UI alumni and friends. Although the weather was wet, a group of hearty souls agreed to cook burgers and hotdogs for a ravenous crowd of Vandals. This coming June, Orval promised good weather, which will enhance our opportunities for social interchange. Our guests will be hosted by the Hansens, Rand and Sharon from the Martin Institute, Jason Pentzer, a graduating senior in International Studies, and Kate Lovan and Jennifer Seetin, recent graduates now working in the D.C. area. Our students will provide insight into the activities of the Martin Institute and UI. In addition, this year the Alumni Association director, Harold Gibson, will join us.

Over 140 alumni and friends have been invited. Our goal is to develop a network in the D.C. area that is interested in supporting the MI and UI students in international affairs. We want to provide our students with increased opportunities for internships and full-time employment in international and national affairs. The themes for this coming gathering will be "internships in the D.C. area" and "the growing interest in information security."

We look forward to seeing as many as can make it to Orval and June Hansen's house in Arlington, Virginia, on June 2, 2001, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you'd like to attend but haven't received an invitation, please call or send us an e-mail and we'll send you information right away! Join us in an afternoon of visiting, eating, and getting to know our UI students.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDIES STUDENT HONORED

Christina Pinola, a senior International Studies student from Coeur d'Alene, was recently honored by the University of Idaho Alumni Association with their Award for Excellence. The award recognizes UI seniors who have outstanding academic records (a GPA of 3.51 or higher) and also noteworthy campus citizenship.



*International Studies senior Christina Pinola is congratulated on her Alumni Award for Excellence by (L-R) Director of Alumni Relations Harold Gibson, Professor of Economics Ashley Lyman (selected by Christina as her most inspirational professor), and UI Provost Brian Pitcher.*

Christina, who is also part of the UI Honors program, was chosen not only for her exceptional academic achievement, but also for her

involvement in campus and community activities. She is an active member of the International Affairs Club and the Assoc. of Latin American Students (OELA), has been part of our delegation to the National Model United Nations Conference for two years, is a member of the UI marching band, has been a tutor in both mathematics and Spanish language courses, and started a group on campus to raise money for victims of Hurricane Mitch in Nicaragua.

We are proud to have Christina as a member of our International Studies "family!"

### OTHER ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED BY THE MARTIN INSTITUTE

- The Martin Institute continued to sponsor the International Affairs Club and its associated activities.
- UI participation in the World Food Day Teleconference, featuring Nobel Laureate Dr. Amartya Sen, was organized by the Martin Institute in October, 2000.
- To assist our IS students with an area emphasis in Europe, the Martin Institute helped pay for visiting professor Phil Eyre of Dullin, France, who taught a course on the European Union in January and February, 2001.
- The Martin Institute organized a campus lecture by Dr. Joy Gordon of Fairfield University on the ethics of economic sanctions, March, 2001.

***Yes, I want to help the Martin Institute become a leader at UI in International Affairs!***

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- Train undergraduate students in the structure of the international system and the global interaction of cultures
- Provide educational programs to promote and inform the public on foreign affairs and peaceful resolution of conflict
- Support research directed toward better understanding of ways in which human societies can resolve conflict
- Provide education in conflict resolution through mediation and negotiation courses.

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