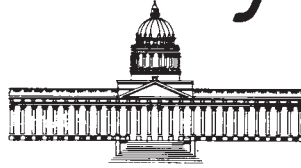


# Politics at the Hinckley Institute



Fall 2000

## Hinckley Institute Reaches Many Milestones in its 35th Year



*Pat Ryan and Ted Wilson*

### *From the Director*

The Hinckley Institute has reached many milestones in this, its 35th year.

Pat Ryan, our Intern Director since 1990, decided to retire July 1st. Home, family, and opportunities await Pat. As Pat leaves the institute, she can be assured the many students she served over 15 years will always look to her as an important part of their lives at the University of Utah. Pat capably managed over 200 internships a year including 90 to 120 in Washington, D.C., 35 at the Utah State Legislature and the rest in local internships. Pat handled this great responsibility with dignity, poise, and with a true love for each and every student with whom she came in contact. We will miss her greatly.

The Institute was extremely fortunate to recruit Dr. Tim Chambless to replace Pat Ryan as Intern Director. Tim has served on the institute's advisory board and has been an enthusiastic participant in Hinckley Institute activities. Tim has a

Ph.D. in U.S. Political History and is an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Political Science.

Over the years, the Institute has seen a change come over our students. As the world goes global in business, trade, and politics, more and more of our students are asking to serve in internships and experiences relating to the international world. As such, the institute is deeply grateful to former University of Utah Political Science Professor Sam Rich. Sam has generously contributed money to launch the Sam Rich Program in International Politics.

The institute, under the Rich Program, has begun international internships. Ernestine Johnson served in the Tibetan Government in Exile in Dharamsala, India for a semester assisting the Dalai Lama's government with communications. Four students, Sheridan Sullivan, Nicholas Mark, Lindsay Krantz, and Sunny Stringham, have served in Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem, Israel. Unfortunately, because of violence and terrorism in Israel and surrounding areas, we asked the students to return from the internships before the end of the semester. We are sure, however, they learned a great deal from the experience.

In addition to preparing two students to serve as interns in New Delhi, India, as part of our International Seminar – The Kotwara Project, we will send 15 to 20 students to India next Spring Semester to continue the work done by 12 Hinckley Institute students who traveled to India last December and January. The Kotwara Project has blossomed into a new program that will consist of 8 weeks of intensive academic work, 3 weeks of academic and service travel in India, and 4 weeks back on the university campus to de-brief the experience and write academic papers.

Plans are also developing to send

interns to serve in Britain's Parliament in London and in the French Parliament in Paris. The Institute seeks to meet the challenge of the new global political world by providing more internships and expeditions of students to study politics in foreign lands.

Recognizing the need to continually refresh the \$7.5 million Hinckley endowment, the institute will begin a capital campaign next January with a targeted goal of \$2 million. Businesses, individuals, and former students will be contacted to assist the institute in reaching this goal. As new opportunities are presented; such as, the need for international experiences for students, the Institute wishes to increase its revenue base to make sure all students are included.

As we move into the 2000-2001 academic year, the Hinckley Institute stands prepared not only to meet our traditional goals, but also to expand our opportunities to learn politics in ever changing ways.



*Tim Chambless*

## Life on the Hill — Six Students Chosen as Outstanding Interns



Bob Bennett and Kenneth Jackman

**Kenneth Jackman**, a senior majoring in Political Science, interned with Senator Robert F. Bennett (R-Utah) both Spring and Summer Semesters 2000. Jackman worked in a wide variety of areas including, education, immigration policy, high-technology issues, and defense. He was responsible for tracking legislation, conducting research, writing and presenting issue briefs, and responding to constituent mail in these; and other, areas. On different occasions, Jackman had the opportunity to draft language that was to be introduced as an amendment on the Senate floor. He said, "It was rewarding to do real, substantial work that was good public policy." Another highlight of his internship was drafting talking points for Senator Bennett as he gave a speech commemorating the sesquicentennial of the University of Utah.

Jackman commented, "Senator Bennett has a very knowledgeable, competent staff working with him that really try to do what is best for the citizens of Utah. My eight months working with these individuals taught me much about public policy and effective government. This experience was definitely an integral part of my college education. I gained knowledge that could not be gained solely in a textbook or lecture hall. Without this internship, my degree in political science would not have been complete. I am grateful to Senator Bennett's office and the Hinckley Institute of Politics for making my internship possible."

**Amy Akerlow**, a junior majoring in Political Science and Communications,



Amy Akerlow

served her internship over the summer of 2000 for Senator Orrin Hatch on the Judiciary Committee. During the first half of her internship, Amy worked in the front office answering phone calls from concerned voters spanning across the nation. "I really felt as though I knew what was going on with legislation and judicial nominations," Akerlow commented, "I loved being able to help others understand the process of getting a bill passed, explaining that all subjects of legislation are important to Senator Hatch and the Committee, and each bill receives careful consideration."

Midway through her internship, Amy was transferred to the crime unit on the Committee. This unit deals with various areas of legislation from post-conviction DNA testing to flag burning and drug related bills. "I think this is where my internship really picked up, when I could actually see the work that went into making a bill into a law," Akerlow said. In this office, she helped answer constituents' letters and helped the counsels research certain topics for upcoming legislation. Akerlow understood the importance of legislative work when she began working in the crime unit. "It hit me when I started working in the crime unit that I was working with the people who constructed future laws. Never before had I been so close to something that really affected my future, and the generations that follow me. The detailed process of drafting amendments and bills is incredible. I was excited to give my input and views as to how victims of crime should be treated," Akerlow commented. She

always felt needed and accepted at the Judiciary Committee. The Committee was dedicated to making sure that her intern experience was the best it could be. Over the summer, she learned more about politics and the work and effort that goes into every piece of legislation, than she could possibly have learned elsewhere.

**Pat Moench**, a junior studying philosophy, spent the summer of 2000 interning for Senator Orrin Hatch. Moench was assigned to work and assist with the functions of the Senate Judiciary Committee. "I did whatever they asked me to do, which got to be pretty interesting," said Moench about his job on Capitol Hill. "It was a hands-on work experience with some of the most compelling issues in national politics."

Moench's primary responsibility was to help Senator Hatch plan and prepare for Judiciary Committee hearings. The Committee's summer schedule was filled with Senate hearings on a variety of



Pat Moench

issues that included post-conviction DNA testing, international terrorism, and investigations into campaign finance misconduct.

During the recent controversy surrounding the sharing of MP3 files over the internet and online companies; such as Napster, it was Moench's responsibility to find potential witnesses for a congressional hearing. An effort that yielded testimony from online music and recording industry executives; as well as, artists from the rock group Metallica and the Byrds.

Other aspects of Moench's work for the Judiciary Committee involved obtaining written testimony for the Senator in an ongoing espionage investigation at Los Alamos, New Mexico, and

the review of nomination hearing protocol with the federal judicial nominees. "It was a very rewarding experience, Moench offered, "My expectations at first were optimistic—but even those expectations were exceeded."

**Sarah Gilbert** was selected to do an internship with Congressman James V. Hansen for Spring Semester 2000. Gilbert said that the opportunity she had to work in Washington D.C. was the greatest experience of her entire college career. Gilbert mentioned that while working in D.C. she had been able to meet many amazing people, including the Congressman and those of his staff. She was able to be involved in many ways in Congressman Hansen's office. She gave VIP tours of the U.S. Capitol Building, greeted many of the Congressman's visitors, wrote and researched letters, and



*Sarah Gilbert*

attended briefings and receptions. Gilbert said "The people on the Congressman's staff were great! They helped me succeed in my internship and they offered me many opportunities to further my understanding of how our government works." Gilbert also said that the staff was very helpful in giving her the time and resources to learn more about certain political issues that were of great interest to her.

Gilbert enjoyed living in Washington D.C. and being a part of what goes on there. She said that she found a love for politics which she had never had before. Gilbert commented that she appreciated learning about the history of our government through a hands-on experience, rather than reading about it in a textbook. She also enjoyed sharing that acquired knowledge with those to whom she gave tours of the Capitol Building. Some of the highlights of Gilbert's intern-

ship were meeting the Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert, and having her picture taken with him, getting a behind the scenes tour of the White House, and being able to listen to and observe the proceedings of Congress. Also, while helping at a fundraising dinner for Congressman Hansen back in Salt Lake City, Gilbert was able to meet Charleston Heston. Gilbert came home from D.C. in time to graduate from the University of Utah with a degree in Organizational Communication.

**Joshua Erekson**, a junior double majoring in Economics and Political Science, with a minor in Business, learned invaluable lessons about our nation's government while doing an internship in Congressman Chris Cannon's office. "It was a time for me to experience what textbooks taught me all those years. The internship is truly what you make of it," he recalls. In addition to receiving guests, answering phones, and keeping the office in order, Erekson also had the opportunity to write letters and a speech for the Congressman. The speech, which introduced legislation sponsored by Congressman Cannon, was presented to the House Resources Committee and later on the House Floor. He says that being published in the Congressional Record was a fulfilling experience.

**Katie McOmber**, a senior majoring in Violin Performance, served her internship in Congressman Merrill Cook's Washington, D.C. office during the 2000 Spring Semester. McOmber quickly assumed a role as a member of the staff, and was given many varied responsibilities and opportunities. Some of her responsibilities included working as tour coordinator for the office, running the front desk, responding to constituent mail, writing letters, and representing the Congressman at events.



*Katie McOmber*

McOmber commented, "The Congressman's staff consisted of five very intelligent, professional individuals who enabled me to become a part of all the duties and functions in the Congressman's office, and helped stretch my personal abilities. The internship added a unique dimension to my undergraduate education, which would not have been possible without the Hinckley Institute."

Following McOmber's internship, she was hired as staff in Congressman Cook's district office in Salt Lake City, where she worked as the scheduler, again handling constituent mail response and assisting with casework. McOmber offered, "Working on the hill has given me a heightened appreciation of our system of government and has impressed upon me the necessity of involvement in the legislative process at every level. This incredible opportunity has enriched my understanding of others and has augmented my personal aspirations."

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The journal features excellent undergraduate political essays and research papers. It offers students the opportunity to publish on the undergraduate level and provide new thought to the political process and to political issues.

## The Sam Rich Program



Because of the great generosity of Sam and Speed Rich, the Sam Rich Program in International Politics has enjoyed a fast start at the Hinckley Institute. Sam is a favorite, former Professor of Political Science. His career began as a Foreign Service officer for the United States State Department and ended as a cherished member of the Political Science Faculty. The Rich's are concerned that a new world of rapidly changing technology and global trade patterns will greatly change the nature of politics. They want students to have experiences in practical politics and, as part of their academic preparation, to learn the politics of a new age.

Several key elements of the Sam Rich program have already been accomplished. Last December 12 students, with the assistance of the International Student Center, flew to New Delhi, India. They spent a week in India's capital city studying the politics of India from key Indian political and community leaders. The second week of their journey took

them to Kotwara, a small village in the Ganges River basin. In Kotwara, the students joined over 200 Indian school children. They played with, instructed, and mixed with the children. The Hinckley students also spent time each day laying bricks and working to build a new school for the Indian children, who were studying on the ground. The service was encouraged and assisted by the Lowell Bennion Center at the University of Utah. The final experience of the expedition focused on cultural visits to Varanasi, the sacred Hindu city of the Ganges, and to Agra, the site of the famous Taj Mahal. All 12 students returned to Utah with a deeper and more meaningful understanding of the challenges of politics and development in the Third World.

The Kotwara Project was carefully debriefed. Along with foreign study representatives from the campus, an entirely new concept of international education was developed. Now dubbed the International Semester, the program is generic and could be applied, for example, to physics students traveling to Cambridge, England; music students to Vienna; or dance students to Russia. The Hinckley Institute also seeks to increase student travel and study in the First World. Currently, planning and work is progressing to establish permanent internships in the British and French Parliaments.

The Sam Rich Program, in addition to international travel and internship opportunities, also schedules international speakers at the Institute. Examples from Fall Semester include the American Ambassador to Britain and Consul Generals from Russia and Israel. Thanks to Sam and Speed Rich, the institute now has the momentum and the goal of making the challenging new political world more understandable and exciting for our students.

## Bill Rishell Memorial Outstanding Intern

**Jason VandenAkker**, an Economics and Political Science major, worked as an intern during Fall Semester 1999 for PaL-Tech, Inc. PaL-Tech (Planning and Learning Technologies) is a small non-profit management and technology consulting firm, which focuses on the public sector. The firm specializes in servicing the contractual needs, both domestic and international, of government agencies. VandenAkker offered, "Interning with PaL-Tech was one of the best learning experiences I had while attending the University of Utah. I received valuable instruction from senior level management and obtained extensive hands-on training in many different areas of business and politics."

While interning at PaL-Tech, VandenAkker was given a broad range of assignments. Working closely with Omar Kader, a former Hinckley intern and the current CEO of PaL-Tech, VandenAkker performed extensive research on a number of social and political issues. Kader used VandenAkker's research in presentations to various organizations and universities, including Weber State College and Utah Valley State College. Under direct supervision of the Director of Business Development, VandenAkker also conducted target-market research and built a database to track the progression of new business contracts. He helped coordinate a fundraiser for a local political campaign, assisted in the network set-up of a new contract site, and worked at a number of different contract locations.

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"Working as an intern for PaL-Tech provided me with an initial foundation of business experience and skills. The training and instruction I received will be extremely beneficial as I make the transition from education to vocation," said VandenAkker. He now works for a software company in Boston, Massachusetts. The Bill Rishel Memorial Fund was established by Virginia Rishel to honor her father. It is intended to provide loans and internships to students involved in public service.



Front row left to right: Ted Wilson, Kati Anderson, Joyce Stuart, Sejal Desai, Christopher Patch. Back row left to right: Cody Johnson, Jessica Drury, Andrea Weist, Chris Parker, Martha Poelman, Jill Burton, John Ure, Todd Hess.

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## Margaret Rampton Munk Public Policy Intern

*Steve Clayton*, worked in Governor Mike Leavitt's office during Fall Semester 1999 and Spring Semester 2000. During his time at the Governor's Office, Clayton was able to receive the Ambassador of New Zealand, welcome a trade group from Japan, and speak with immigrants dealing with naturalization issues. Of these experiences, Steve related, "Meeting these people reminded me of the hope and opportunity America continues to provide for the world."

While at the Governor's Office Clayton worked on education issues. He had the opportunity to assist in reviewing hundreds of teachers' suggestions for needs and improvements in education. Clayton remembers listening to the Governor speak about the educational process and new programs and policies; such as, the New Century Scholarship. Clayton also had the opportunity to attend meetings of the Board of Regents. In addition, he interviewed Con Rowley, the Governor's advisor on education. Clayton recalls that many of these experiences helped to shape his own philosophy about education.

Clayton commented that his internship afforded him numerous opportunities to work with local and national issues. Governor Leavitt's work as the Chairman of the National Governor's Association allowed Clayton to work on



*Steve Clayton*

many national issues of direct import to Utah. Overall, Clayton's time spent in the Governor's Office was an integral part of his college education. In Clayton's words, "My internship at the Governor's Office made learning relative, active, and enjoyable. It is a highlight in my educational experience at the University of Utah."

The Margaret Rampton Munk Public Policy Internship is for students serving in the Governor's Office. It was established in 1995 through a generous donation by former Utah Governor, Calvin Rampton, and former first lady, Lucybeth Rampton. The bequest is in honor of their late daughter Meg.

## Carrie Burton chosen as the R.J. Snow Public Policy Intern

*Carrie Burton* worked as a Spring Semester intern for the Committee for Education Funding. The Committee is a coalition of 95 education organizations advocating adequate federal support for the nation's students.

While working as a legislative and communications intern, Burton was able to attend congressional hearings concerned with education budget and appropriations issues. Burton also assisted in coordinating events such as the Committee's annual retreat, budget workshop, and the release of the Committee's annual Budget Alert Book, a position statement on Capitol Hill. Burton also assisted in disseminating press releases, servicing Committee members, collection of membership dues, and membership renewal for 2000. "I enjoyed all my experiences while working for the Committee, but there were definitely some highlights. Some of those highlights included: attending a



*Carrie Burton*

meeting at the Department of Education to hear Education Secretary Richard Riley speak at the President's Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Request release, and hearing President Clinton speak with AOL CEO, Steve Case, about the importance of closing the Digital Divide," Burton said. "I learned more than I ever would have imagined in that one semester in D.C. I now believe that serving an internship is an essential part of higher education. I was able to learn a lot about myself and to develop my interests in ways that cannot be accomplished in a classroom." A senior at the University of Utah, Burton is originally from Naperville, Illinois. In the spring she will graduate with a B.S. in Mass Communications: Public Relations and a minor in English Literature. Burton has previously had experience working on a state senate campaign, and has been involved with issues such as child abuse and illiteracy within the United States.

The R.J. Snow Internship was established in 1986 by former Hinckley interns to honor Dr. Snow, Director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics from 1975 to 1985.

## Abrelia Clarissa Hinckley Graduate Scholarships Awarded to Dallis Nordstrom & Emily Merchant



*Dallis Nordstrom*

The Abrelia Clarissa Hinckley Graduate Scholarship was established by Robert H. Hinckley in 1975 as a memorial to his wife, who strongly encouraged him to found the Hinckley Institute of Politics. The Scholarship is awarded to graduate students whose interests, formal training, and life goals include a commitment to politics and community service—ideals that guided Mrs. Hinckley's life.

**Dallis Nordstrom**, a third year law student at the University of Utah, received her undergraduate degree in Political Science. During the year between her undergraduate studies and law school, Dallis did government relations work, including lobbying the Utah State Legislature.

Although Nordstrom believes there is much reform needed in the political process, she has been hooked on the political process ever since her first political science class with Dr. Dan Jones. Concurrent to Dr. Jones' class, Dallis was assigned to work on the Coordinated Campaign of the Democratic Party by Pat Ryan. Since that time, Dallis has been actively involved with the Hinckley Institute of Politics. Nordstrom commented that, "the service the Hinckley Institute provides is invaluable." Nordstrom mentioned that the institute supplemented her education with real-life learning that cannot be taught in the classroom.

Dallis remains as active in Democratic campaigns as her law school schedule will allow. She plans on pursuing a career in criminal or public interest law following law school. She is most flattered and

ecstatic to be this year's recipient of the Abrelia Clarissa Hinckley Scholarship.

**Emily Macdonald Merchant** was awarded the Abrelia Clarissa Hinckley Graduate Scholarship for Women. Merchant received her bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Utah, and is beginning work in the Masters of Public Administration Program. Merchant plans to focus on non-profit organizations. She is interested in how services can be integrated across sectors so that they are more useful for the designated client populations. Merchant served an internship during the Summer Semester of 1999 at the Committee for Education Funding, a lobbying group for over ninety education organizations. During the Fall of 2000, she worked as a volunteer on the Jim Matheson for Congress Campaign. In addition to her direct involvement, Merchant feels that much of her political focus is evidenced in her commitment to community service and community



*Emily Macdonald Merchant*

issues. Active involvement in organizations designed to address the needs of immigrants, the poor, and disabled children are an expression of her political ideals. Merchant is honored to receive a scholarship that promotes political involvement and community service. She believes that, "funding such scholarships for women helps them to gain an education which encourages them to take their passions and concerns and use them to create more responsive political and social institutions. I am honored to be a part of the great legacy of the Hinckley family and their support."

## Sejal Desai Awarded Bae B. Gardner Public Policy Intern



*Sejal Desai*

**Sejal Desai**, a Finance major, was named this year's Bae B. Gardner Public Policy Intern. Desai served her internship for the Department of Treasury, Office of the Curator, during the Summer Semester of 2000. Her core responsibility was to coordinate public and private tours of the Treasury Building. Along with her basic duties, Desai worked with co-workers on creating an exhibit and a complimentary website about the 200 years of history of the construction at the Treasury Building. She also worked with internal management offices on special and executive events like Diversity Day and former Secretary of the Treasury Robert Rubin's official portrait unveiling.

Desai learned a great deal about the management and public service demands involved in working at the Treasury Department. "My experience of working at the Treasury allowed me to identify and use many of the skills we were taught in business courses, and question others," Desai said. "The people I worked with were wonderful and made my summer that much more exciting."

The Bae B. Gardner Internship for Public Policy was established in 1990 to

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honor the former Hinckley Institute assistant director. Past interns have contributed over \$18,000 towards the endowment fund.

## The Governor Simon Bamberger Internship in State Policy



*Chris Budge*

**Chris Budge** graduated from the University of Utah in August of 2000 with a B.S. in Political Science. Chris served as a legislative intern during the 1999 legislative session and as the Intern Coordinator for the 2000 session. "Of all the experiences that I had at the U, my time at the legislature was the most educational and the most beneficial. It gave me the opportunity to see the process from the inside and learn about it in a way that could not be reproduced in a classroom."

As the intern coordinator, Budge helped arrange guest speakers for the 2000 Legislative Preparations class and assisted in grading assignments and assigning interns to their respective legislators. Throughout the session, she helped advise the interns and helped with occasional problems. "It was great to be a part of the legislative session for a second year. I really enjoyed working with the interns of the 2000 session. I felt very lucky to be able to help them and also learn with them. I believe that no matter how long you have been at the legislature, there is always more to learn."

Budge plans on attending graduate school at the U, but will take some time off to work, and spend time with her family. "I will continue to stay involved politically. During my time at the University, I was able to work on several campaigns and thoroughly enjoyed it. After the experiences that I have had through the Hinckley Institute of Politics, I don't think I could ever watch an election from the sidelines."

The Governor Simon Bamberger Internship in State Policy is funded through a grant from the Herbert I. And Elsa B. Michael Foundation, a longtime benefactor of the University of Utah. Elsa Bamberger Michael is a direct descendant of Simon Bamberger, Utah's fourth governor, 1916-1920.

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## Tyler Burton selected as the Ben D. Wood Intern

University of Utah junior **Tyler Burton** has been awarded the Ben D. Wood Internship for his work as an intern at the Heritage Foundation. Burton spent Spring Semester of 2000 working in the President's Office along side Dr. Edwin J. Fuelner and his office staff. The Heritage Foundation is a conservative public policy think tank in Washington D.C. Spending time at the Heritage Foundation gave Burton a greater respect for the importance of being politically involved in our country. He found it very educational and of great worth to spend time in one of the country's most respected think tanks learning about public policy and its development. He listened to speakers from a variety of political areas—from foreign policy and national defense to government relations and family studies. He also participated in lectures given by political officials such as the Majority Whip Tom DeLay

and Florida's Governor Jeb Bush.

Burton explained, "My internship in the President's Office was incredible. It enhanced my knowledge and helped me to understand the importance of being politically active. It also allowed me the privilege of working in an office with great individuals whose goals were to improve America." Burton is pursuing a double major in Business and Communication. Upon his graduation, he plans to continue his education in obtaining a Masters in Business Administration.

The Ben D. Wood Endowment was established in 1984 to recognize outstanding students serving policy internships in Washington, D.C. Funding was provided through a grant from Wood, a long-time friend of Robert H. Hinckley, with matching funds donated from IBM. Wood dedicated much of his career to education, serving for twenty-five years



*Tyler Burton*

as Director of the Bureau of Education. He also served with Mr. Hinckley as a member of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration.

## Students Chosen as Rocco C. Siciliano Public Policy Interns



*Lenox Robb Finlinson*

Five outstanding Hinckley interns have been selected as Rocco C. Siciliano Interns: Lenox Robb Finlinson, Laura Buxton, Kelly Wessels, Joseph Boud, and Meagan Marriott. The Siciliano Internship was set up by ARA Services, Inc. to honor Rocco C. Siciliano. Siciliano is a University of Utah alumni and recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award. His public service career includes a stint as President Eisenhower's Special Assistant for Personnel Management, Secretary of Commerce, and Assistant Secretary of Labor. He also served on the Federal Pay Board from 1971 to 1973.

**Lenox Robb Finlinson**, a senior, served as an intern for Marcus G. Faust, P.C. this past Fall Semester. Marcus Faust is a prominent Washington lobbyist representing a number of clients located throughout the Western states including Nevada, New Mexico, California, Utah, Montana, and Oregon. While most of Marcus' work is related to water, power, and aviation issues, he also represents a variety of other interests as well, including The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. As an intern for Marcus, Finlinson had many first-hand opportunities to see and learn the complex political processes of the federal government and meet all sorts of national figures. Part of his duties as an intern included attending staff briefings and congressional hearings in the House and the Senate, as well as bi-weekly meetings at several organizations of shared interest. One of his favorite "jobs" as an intern was attending fundraising dinners for various incumbents seeking reelection. During the semester, Robb was able to witness several notable events such as Earth Day, the WTO meeting and protests, the famous cherry blossoms,



*Laura Buxton*

and the Elian Gonzales affair. "Considering that my exposure to politics had been so miniscule up to this point in my life, I found my internship not only provided me with a much better understanding of the political systems of our nation, but more importantly a fascinating appreciation for the necessary role they play in the lives of all Americans. Being in such a politically-charged atmosphere was intoxicating. It was a great time to be in Washington!"

**Laura Buxton**, a junior majoring in Communications, interned Summer Semester 2000 at Medical Care Development International. MCDI is a non-profit organization that works to create medical facilities and programs overseas. Funding for these projects comes from groups such as the World Bank and USAID. One of the aspects that Buxton enjoyed the most about her internship was learning how non-profit organizations work and how much work there is to do to help people in Third World countries.

Buxton performed an assortment of tasks and had the opportunity to work with everyone in the office on various projects. Her duties included conducting research, preparing materials, running errands, and helping to prepare proposals and other documents.

"I really enjoyed working with such a diverse group of people, as well as the chance to live and work on the East Coast," said Buxton. "I got to travel and see some amazing places as well as gain great experience. Working there really opened my eyes to the horrible problems that Third World countries face, and I'm so grateful for the part that I had in helping, as small as it was. I will never



*Kelly Wessels*

forget the experiences I had there, or the people I met."

**Kelly Wessels** is a senior majoring in Political Science and Women's Studies at the University of Utah. She served her internship during Fall Semester 1999 at the Supreme Court of the United States in Washington D.C. While working at the Court, Wessel had a number of responsibilities, including giving public tours and lectures, processing requests for photographs from the Court's archives, and (her favorite) researching the role of the spouses of the current and former Justices. Having always been interested in the law, and planning to one day become a public interest lawyer, Wessel really enjoyed the opportunity to get an "up close and personal" look at the day to day business of the nation's highest court. One of her favorite activities was observing the verbal sparring between the Justices and attorneys during the oral arguments conducted at the Court. Wessel particularly enjoyed living in our nation's capital. She loved the city's ambitious atmosphere and being around so many people who really believed they could make a difference in the world. Wessel was so impressed by Washington's political culture that she plans on returning to the area to attend law school and take advantage of the virtually unlimited opportunities to impact the nation's debate on important social issues by being politically active in a city which commands the world's attention.

**Joseph Boud**, a junior majoring in Business Management, interned Fall Semester 1999 with the Mitchell Group, a non-profit international development firm. The Mitchell Group is involved with managerial, educational, and development projects in Africa, Asia, Latin





Joseph Boud

America, the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, and the newly Independent States. Well know organizations; such as, the World Bank and the U.S. Agency for International Development provide funding for these projects.

Some of Boud's responsibilities with the Mitchell Group included attending news conferences, completing important research, managing computer databases, and working closely with consultants on developmental contracts. One of Boud's most rewarding experiences included his involvement with the company's first newsletter.

Boud enjoyed his time in Washington D.C. Though busy at the Mitchell Group, Boud found time to enjoy the ambiance of the historic capital city and explored



Meagan Marriott

the east coast with fellow University of Utah students. Boud recollects on experience by offering that his time spent in Washington D.C. "was a blast, I made some of my best friendships while I was back there. I would highly recommend it to anyone."

**Meagan Marriott** served during the Fall Semester of 1999 as an intern in the Broadcast Division of the Republican National Committee (GOP-TV), which does a variety of things to serve Republicans in Washington and throughout the nation. Producing Internet newscasts, highlight videos, Republican commercials, and covering local press conferences are just some of the things they do.

Marriott spent most of her time attending press conferences in the congressional buildings and at the capitol, writing press releases, running the teleprompter, transcribing tapes, and picking bites for the Internet news cast. Throughout the internship she also had the opportunity to learn a lot about writing, running the camera, and a great deal of the other production operations.

The most memorable experiences that Marriott had during her stay in Washington were meeting Republican leaders. Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT), Former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, Majority Whip Tom DeLay (R-TX), and Representative J.C. Watts (R-OK) were just some of the leaders she was able to meet. Her greatest day on the hill was the day she walked along side her favorite representative, J.D. Hayworth (R-AZ), and talked about the University of Utah basketball team and its coach Rick Majerus.

Her most rewarding experience was the offer she had to return a year later and work for GOP-TV during the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia, and then stay on board until after the Election.

Marriott loved her experience in the capitol city, she learned so much, met so many people, and made some incredible friendships. "Washington D.C. is a fun atmosphere for anyone, whether wanting to be involved in politics or not. I thought GOP-TV was especially great because they didn't treat me like temporary help, they treated me like a full-time employee who had a lot to contribute."

## John Norman receives the Robert H. Hinckley Graduate Scholarship

The Robert H. Hinckley Graduate Scholarship for men was awarded to **John Norman**. Norman graduated from the University of Utah with a degree in Political Science and now attends the University of Utah College of Law. During his undergraduate studies, Norman was heavily involved with the Hinckley Institute completing two internships, one at the White House during the spring of 1998, and the other at the Utah State Legislature during the 1998 session. He then served as the student Intern Coordinator during the 1999 Legislative Session. Ever since taking Dan Jones' Introduction to American National Government class, Norman has tried to volunteer and be an active participant in local politics.

The scholarship was established in 1983 by Dr. Ben D. Wood, a long-time



John Norman

friend of Robert Hinckley, and is awarded to graduate students who share Mr. Hinckley's ideals and who seek careers or professional involvement in government or politics.

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## Richard Gurgel and John Patrick Torgenson Receive the Scott M. Matheson Leadership Forum Scholarship

The Matheson Leadership Forum was established in honor of the late Governor Matheson, with the goal of enabling former elected officials to reflect, write, and speak out about their experiences once they leave office. The Forum has since been broadened to offer scholarships to students and encourage them toward public service and extraordinary leadership in the tradition of Scott M. Matheson.



*Richard Gurgel*

**Richard Gurgel** is currently a senior studying Biology at the University of Utah. After he graduates in Spring 2001, he hopes to attend medical school and pursue a career in medicine. Ultimately, Richard would like to practice medicine clinically, teach courses at a medical school, and work for the Department of Health.

One of Gurgel's most significant leadership experiences during college was his opportunity to serve as the President of the Mortar Board Honor Society. Coordinating the efforts and working with some of the University's top student-leaders was a highlight in the Mortar Board. Gurgel has also been the Treasurer and Vice-President of Alpha Epsilon Delta, the pre-med honor society. Currently, he is working as a Project Director for University Service Corps, a project affiliated with the Bennion Center that is responsible for university-wide service projects.

Of the Scott M. Matheson leadership scholarship, Gurgel says, "It was a great honor to receive this generous scholarship from the Hinckley Institute and the Matheson family. The scholarship is

unique because of its personal nature. My favorite aspect of the application process was actually meeting with various members of the Matheson family. They showed genuine interest in me as a person, and that helped me feel connected with the scholarship and the great leader for whom it is established."



*John Patrick Torgenson*

**John Patrick Torgenson** is pursuing a B.A. in Speech Communication with an emphasis in Pre-Law. As an undergraduate at the University of Utah, Torgenson has served as a Special Projects Director in the Associated Students of the University of Utah and as a group leader in the Alumni House High School leadership conference. He is currently a Presidential Intern in the office of President J. Bernard Machen with extended responsibilities as a research assistant for Michael Benson, Special Assistant to the President.

Torgenson is an active member of St. Catherine's Catholic Newman Center and is serving his second term as a Peer Minister. In his role as Peer Minister, Torgenson is striving to enhance community service and increase social justice efforts at the Newman Center. In order to accomplish these goals, Torgenson has attended the Campus Ministry Leadership Institute at the University of Notre Dame on two occasions. In conjunction with the Newman Center, John has volunteered at St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen, the Salt Lake shelter, and as an overnight host for the Interfaith Hospitality Network. During the past two Spring breaks,

Torgenson has been involved in the Alternative Spring Break program on an Indian reservation in Southern Utah, and in South Central Los Angeles. John has also found great satisfaction with his involvement in the Big Brother/Big Sister Program of Utah. Other accomplishments for Torgenson this year include being a recipient of a Young Alumni Scholarship for the 2000-01 academic year. Outside of school and Newman-centered activities, Torgenson enjoys spending his time in the outdoors and works as a white water raft guide through the Grand Canyon during the summers.

"I feel privileged and grateful to receive this award," said Torgenson, "and I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Matheson family." Torgenson will graduate in the Spring and plans to pursue a degree in law.

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## Wayne Horiuchi White House Internship Awarded to Patrick Thurman



Patrick Thurman

**Patrick Thurman** spent Spring Semester 2000 working in the White House. He was assigned to the Staff Secretary's Office, located in the famed West Wing. This office is responsible for most of the paper work that the President sees on a daily basis. Because of the complexities of the office, many staffers within the office have been there for over 20 years. "It was great to talk with my co-workers who have been here so long and have seen so many changes take place at the White House," Thurman recalls.

Thurman handled many documents that were either headed to the president or that came back from his office. These included memos from the Chief of Staff, memos from the military, as well as the President's census form. Patrick was fascinated by the comments that the President would make on documents that came back from the Oval Office in the margins or on a separate sheet of paper. "The President had a comment and opinion on almost everything, and he always seemed to be up on every issue and the importance it had on the American people," says Thurman.

One of the highlights for Thurman was seeing how decisions are made in the White House. "There are so many issues and so many staffers that are working on each one, yet there is order and a great deal of work is accomplished in a short amount of time," Thurman commented. "There are still many great people that are working very hard to make America better."

The Wayne Horiuchi White House Internship was established in 1997 to recognize the outstanding Hinckley White House Intern from the many who serve in the White House each year. Wayne Horiuchi is a former Hinckley Intern who has been active in Utah politics. He has had a close relationship with the White House over the years and donated the funds to the Hinckley Institute to acknowledge the top intern for their efforts.

## Janice S. Hinckley Internship

**Olivia Fletcher** served at the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA) Spring Semester 2000. As an intern, she worked on influencing environmental policy. "The environment is something that I care a great deal about," commented Fletcher. Fletcher explained, "Interning for SUWA was an excellent opportunity for me to further this cause for which I feel so strongly." Throughout her internship, Fletcher was able to lobby the public and elected officials on behalf of the organization. This internship was an excellent opportunity for Fletcher to learn more about environmental policies and the affect that organizations; such as, SUWA can have on public policy.

The Janice S. Hinckley Public Policy Internship on the Environment was established in 1997 through a generous endowment contribution from Jim and Lyn Hinckley, to honor their mother. The environment has always been a great love and concern to Janice Hinckley, and this internship's purpose is to assist interns who serve the environment.



Olivia Fletcher

## Anne H. & John S. Hinckley Scholarship Awarded to Rachel Reiser



Rachel Reiser

**Rachel Reiser** is a junior at the University of Utah majoring in History Teaching. She hopes to spend time acquiring first hand knowledge in the public education system and carry that information into a local political career with a strong education emphasis. She loves both history and politics because she feels that the past exercises great influence upon the present and that "politics is merely history in action."

Reiser is a big believer in active, responsible citizenship, which is why she has committed herself to community involvement and service. She has served on the Salt Lake County Commissioners Youth Council, volunteered in several elections, and worked on various projects with the Bennion Center. She recently returned from an internship in Washington, D.C., with the Committee for Education Funding. This was a valuable

experience for her because she was able to work closely with a politically active portion of the education community.

Reiser commented, "The students of the University of Utah are incredibly lucky to have a program like the Hinckley Institute of Politics that makes it easy for students to become involved in their community. I appreciate their many efforts. I know that they have enriched my university experience and provided a strong foundation for my commitment to future political involvement."

The Anne H. and John S. Hinckley Scholarship was established by Anne Hinckley to honor her late husband John, a leader in Utah politics. The scholarship is awarded to undergraduate students who display excellent scholarship and intend to serve the public through political involvement.

## Ronald Mortensen Internship Awarded to Amy DeFrank

**Amy DeFrank** served her internship Spring Semester 2000 at the Department of State, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs. The office in which she worked, International Security Operations, is involved in a wide variety of foreign policy issues and military activities. This diverse portfolio allowed DeFrank to become involved in numerous aspects of the workings of the State Department, and she was given a significant amount of responsibility in her position. She drafted the briefing memoranda for the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs's meeting with the Army Chief of Staff, and co-drafted the papers for the Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs's meeting with the Commander in Chief of U.S. Pacific Command. DeFrank also assisted in laying the groundwork for negotiations with Panama for an important new military agreement. Moreover, DeFrank joined a U.S. delegation to London as an administrative assistant, and attended political-military talks with the British concerning the strategically important island of Diego Garcia. She also became involved

in obtaining authorization for humanitarian operations, deployments and exercises by the U.S. military, and "Cross Servicing Agreements." In addition, DeFrank attended a reception at the Russian Embassy, a working lunch with the Foreign Minister and Ambassador from Georgia, and another such lunch with the Commander of the U.S. Fifth Fleet and representatives from thirteen embassies.

The Ronald Mortensen Internship is funded through a grant from Dr. Ronald Mortensen, who holds three degrees from the University of Utah, including a Ph.D. in Political Science. Dr. Mortensen retired from the United States Department of State in 1997 after serving for 19 years as a Foreign Service Officer. While assigned to the French Embassy in Paris, he managed the embassy's large intern program that included interns from the University of Utah, Utah State University, and Brigham Young University. In 1991, he was the recipient of the Una Chapman Cox Fellowship and spent a year at the University of Utah as a visiting scholar.

## ABC News Intern Gains Hands On Broadcasting Experience

Jessica Harrington is a broadcast journalism graduate from the University of Utah. Fall Semester of 1999, she completed an internship with ABC News Nightline in Washington, D.C.

Harrington remembers, "My heart pounded the first time I rode the elevator to the third floor and walked into Nightline's newsroom. I was about to meet the best of the best, the people who defined excellence in news-gathering, fair reporting, critical interviews, and in-depth coverage of the world's news. I was going to have the rare opportunity to work with them and learn from them. I thought my expectations for my internship were high, but as the internship unfolded, I realized I had no idea how wonderful it would be."

Harrington was only in D.C. for five months, but she found those five months to be invaluable. "The daily tasks taught me more about the inner workings of the newsroom, and performing them well just gave me more freedom to do the things I really wanted." During her internship, she had the opportunity to write a few stories for the website, find guests for the show, help organize televised town meetings, and go on multiple shoots and interviews. In addition, Harrington recalls, "I went to the White,

House, the Pentagon, FBI, foreign embassies, and presidential events. It was a wonderful experience to taste news from the source, on both a national and international level."

Two months into her internship, Jessica was offered a full-time position as desk assistant; however, she decided to finish school instead. Nightline then hired her as a production coordinator for the remaining month and a half before she went home. Harrington commented, "Everyone at Nightline was willing to help me with my career. It was the perfect environment for personal and professional growth." Jessica now works at National Geographic Today in Washington, D.C. She was hired by the show's Executive Producer, a former Senior Producer at Nightline.

The William H. Lawrence Internship provides students with a political/communication emphasis the opportunity to spend a semester in Washington, D.C. at the ABC News Bureau. The internship was established in honor of William Lawrence, a political reporter for ABC. Lawrence was a close friend of Robert H. Hinckley - Mr. Hinckley was one of the founders and first Vice Presidents of ABC.

## Jenny Nicholas Selected for the James Madison Fellow



*Jenny Nicholas*

**Jenny Nicholas** has been selected as a 2000-01 James Madison Fellow. She will attend Boston University beginning June 2000 as a graduate student in the School of Education, and will receive a Masters of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree in May 2001.

Nicholas graduated from the University of Utah in August 1999 with a Bachelor of Arts in History and Spanish. She served her Hinckley internship during Fall Semester 1999 at the Department of the Treasury. She worked within the Office of the Curator and was responsible for creating historical displays, cataloging a photographic database and coordinating tours of the Treasury Building. Of that experience Nicholas says, "It was one of the most educational opportunities of my life. Being amongst the political and historical excitement of Washington was a thrill for me. I'll always be grateful to the Hinckley Institute for sending me to one of the best 'classrooms' our nation has to offer."

The James Madison Memorial Fellowship was established by Congress in 1986 for the purpose of improving teaching about the United States Constitution in secondary schools. The Foundation honors James Madison, the fourth President of the United States, who is generally acknowledged as the "Father of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights." One fellow is chosen from each state and receives a \$24,000 award.

## Spring Week in Washington D.C.



Front, L-R: Sharla Dunroe, Jena Robinson, Nanda Brock, Sophie Flichy. Back: Courtney Garay, Rod Garay, Tim Chambless, Cory Jensen, Ted Wilson, Jeff Holman, Jeana Lewis

This year's 2000 Spring Break in Washington, D.C. gave nine University of Utah students a full week of stimulating meetings with prominent political figures and the opportunity to explore many historic places. The experience reflected what Mr. Hinckley had hoped for all students who became involved with the Hinckley Institute — to participate in

government and help make it work for and serve its citizens.

Students attended oral arguments for two cases at the U.S. Supreme Court and met with three of Associate Justice David Souter's Law Clerks. The interns had a VIP tour of the United States Capitol and the White House and were able to question U.S. Senate staff and members of

Utah's congressional delegation. They interviewed White House Special Assistant, Mickey Ibarra, Diane Shust, Director of Government Relations for the National Education Association, and Cindy Gillespie, Vice President for Federal Relations for the Salt Lake Olympic Committee. Students also met with Laura Murphy, Washington director of the ACLU, Wayne Owens, President of the Center for Middle East Peace & Economic Cooperation, and with Omar Kader, President of PaL-Tech.

The students were also given tours of C-SPAN and National Public Radio headquarters, and engaged in a stimulating question and answer session with investigative reporter and columnist Jack Anderson.

Spring Week offered students the opportunity to tour many places rich in history. They were also taken on tours of the Treasury Building, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Museum of Broadcast news, and the Gettysburg National Battlefield Park.

This year's participants saw famous places, talked with important people, and were inspired to become involved in future public policy making. The Institute looks forward to the upcoming new century and continuing the Spring Week in Washington program, which offers students the opportunity to explore Washington, D.C. and participate actively in government. It is made possible by the Rocco C. Siciliano Fellowship.

## George S. Eccles Internship in Business Policy Awarded to Jill Horton

"My experience at Mendez England & Associates was unforgettable. The incredible opportunities I had working in and around Washington, D.C. were ones of adventure and learning of which I could have never experienced on campus," says **Jill Horton** of her Fall 1999 internship.

Working with the Food for Peace Office (FFP) of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) was a major duty in working with the office of ME&A. Horton had the opportunity to be a part of projects dedicated to the relief efforts of Third World countries around the globe. Once a week, she would attend meetings in the Ronald Reagan Building, which were especially helpful in achieving a greater insight into the workings of the federal government. In working with the FFP, her other duties included updating charts and other materials. She prepared and completed

the filing of all charts for the 1998-99 fiscal year, and assisted in the preparation and presentation of a course for individuals from around the world working for FFP.

When Horton wasn't working for the FFP, she had other tasks ranging from secretarial duties to working in the accounting department. She was also involved in the preparation of manuals needed for seminars given by ME&A, and completed research necessary for the preparation of proposals for contracts with the federal government.

Horton advises fellow students to also serve internships. She stated, "I highly recommend taking advantage of the opportunities the Hinckley Institute has to offer. The experience I had in Washington D.C. was an adventure I will never forget."

The George S. Eccles Internship in Business policy is funded through a



Jill Horton

grant from the George S. and Dolores D. Eccles Foundation. The internship honors Eccles distinguished career in Utah business.

## Karen Shepherd Internship Fund

When former Utah Congresswoman **Karen Shepherd** closed down her 1994 re-election campaign, she had roughly \$50,000 in her account. In keeping with a 1989 federal law that restricts members from taking money for personal use she set a precedent by giving it to the Utah State Democratic Committee to be used for student internships. This Fall Semester will mark the fifth year of the program. The program recruits interns from colleges and universities along the Wasatch Front to work for Utah's Democratic candidates and work on issues which Shepherd feels strongly about; namely, campaign finance reform, gift ban legislation, and lobby disclosure initiatives. By using the funds in this way, she is keeping faith with the original contributors to her campaign and is furthering the causes for which she is an advocate.

Since its establishment in 1996, 38 University of Utah interns have participated in the program. Interns are paid a stipend based on the length of their internship commitment. They typically work 12 to 15 hours per week and submit a written evaluation of their experience upon completion of the internship. Academic internship credit is awarded through the Hinckley Institute of Politics.

Each Spring, Shepherd returns to Utah from London to host a luncheon for the interns. This provides a wonderful opportunity for the interns, and also for Shepherd, to have a meaningful exchange of ideas. The 1999-2000 Karen Shepherd Interns were: Nicole Barber, Anastasia Boyko, Tyler DeLaHunt, Ashley DiAna, Danica Farley, Alex Helfer, Kenneth Jackman, Hailey Johansen, Stephen Oliver, David Owen, Brock Veltri, Spencer Young.

Karen Shepherd is currently working as the U.S. Executive Director for the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.



*Karen Shepherd*

## Harry S. Truman Scholarship Given to Jeffrey Merchant

**Jeffrey Merchant**, senior in Political Science, has been awarded the 2000 Harry S. Truman Scholarship. Congress established the Harry S. Truman Scholarship in 1975 as a living memorial to President Truman. Students given the honor of receiving this scholarship must demonstrate outstanding leadership potential, plan to pursue a career in public service, and wish to attend graduate school. The award is given to one person in each of the fifty states. The scholarship will provide up to \$27,000 for graduate work in a public service related field. In addition to covering tuition, books, fees, room and board, and living expenses, the Truman Foundation holds a week-long seminar on leadership and public service in Independence, Missouri.

Merchant is a member of many honor societies, works on the Political Science Student Advisory Committee, and is an editor for the Hinckley Journal of Politics. In addition, he has interned for the Heritage Foundation in Washington, D.C., the Utah State House of Representatives, and Jim Matheson for Congress Campaign.

Additionally, Merchant has studied Chinese at one of Asia's premier universities, Beijing University. He has taught English to middle school students in China, and worked with refugees from Sudan through the International Rescue Committee. Merchant is currently working on a research project on India, which



*Jeffrey Merchant*

will culminate in a three-week humanitarian expedition to Kotwara, India.

Merchant plans to go to graduate school in International Relations and then to law school. He has a particular interest in international organization and regional and international security, as they pertain to national and international law. He would like to practice law and eventually work in academia.

Merchant is the twenty-first Truman scholar from the University of Utah. He attributes his success to the dedication of the Hinckley staff.

## Udall Named Paul A. Porter Intern

**Sarah Jane Udall** is a senior at the University of Utah with a double major in Political Science and English. Udall interned at Global Village Communications Spring Semester 2000. Global Village is an independent, international video production company which works on projects both in the D.C. area, and globally in countries like Puerto Rico, Iceland, South Africa, and New Zealand. As an intern Udall learned about promotional media through hands on experience in filming and editing. Through researching several projects, Udall was able to learn more about the U.S. government, as well as other cultures. During her internship, Udall also learned to edit, run audio, do voice-overs, and work with state-of-the-art production equipment. One of her favorite memories was working on a research project at the Library of Congress.

While an intern, Udall worked on projects ranging from documentaries, television shows, promotional videos for major consulting firms, researching, and writing

for an online newspaper. Udall explained, "One of my favorite experiences was participating as the media arm to a Veterans' group centered in the D.C. area." Udall was able to help them put together a major project to lobby Congress.

Udall recalled of her overall experience in D.C., "Mostly it was just fun to live in D.C. and to be involved in and see firsthand all that goes on there." Udall also commented, "I truly loved the people that I worked with and the atmosphere of the office. I felt very lucky to have been given the opportunity and experience that I had there."

The Paul A. Porter Internship was established in 1975 in honor of Mr. Porter, a prominent Washington, D.C. attorney and former Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission. Friends and business associates of Porter offered the endowment, because of his longstanding friendship with Robert H. Hinckley and his interest in developing political interest among students.

# Huntsman Seminar in Constitutional Government for Teachers



Front, L-R: Pat Ryan, Sue Boswell, John Braithwaite, Candice Taylor, Amy Robinson, Amy Morgan, Hollie Barenz, Donnalee Eisenhart, Dan Jones, Ted Wilson, Mark Mulford, Craig Bjorklund, Jayne Nelson. Second: Gale Johnson, Stephen Perschon, Robert Lewis, Cathleen Edwards, Claudia Stillman, Harold Hoyal. Back: Jeff Alexander, Cody Henrichsen, Eric Wall, Jim Hodges, Jason Hansen, James Mossel, Matt Zollinger, Laird Small

Twenty-four elementary and secondary school teachers from throughout Utah gathered at the Hinckley Institute of Politics in June to participate in the 2000 Huntsman Seminar in Constitutional Government for Teachers. The exciting and educational eight days of political study, co-directed by Ted Wilson and Dan Jones, gave teachers a first hand glimpse into the inner workings of politics and helped them learn how to share their knowledge with their students.

Fifty-three distinguished individuals involved in politics addressed the Huntsman teachers. Among this year's guest speakers, were: J.D. Williams, former director of the Hinckley Institute; State Republican and Democratic Chairs, Rob Bishop and Meghan Holbrook; Representatives, Michael Styler, Brent Goodfellow, Marty Stephens, Ralph Becker; Utah State Senators Michael Waddoups, Howard Stephenson; U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch; Governor Michael Leavitt; and Mayor Rocky Anderson. Other participants, included: local lobbyists; state and federal candidates; political reporters; city and county officials; Utah Supreme Court and District Court Justices and local attorney's.

The Huntsman family generously donates the funds necessary to run the program each year. Because of their support, many teachers are given the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the Constitution of the United States and greater insight into the two-party political process. At the completion of the Huntsman Seminar, graduation ceremonies were held at Huntsman Corporation.. John Romney, Jake Garn, and Robert H. Hinckley, Jr., addressed

the teachers and presented them with their Certificates of Completion. The teachers were left with the challenge to share their knowledge with others and to become more active in the system that makes our country an example to the world.

The 2000 Huntsman Seminar was undoubtedly a tremendous success. Teachers expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to re-ignite their love for politics and the desire to teach their students about this great country. Craig Bjorklund, a U.S. Studies teacher at Layton High School said, "I have attended many seminars and educational programs over the years but this seminar was 'head and shoulders' above all of them. The speakers were tremendous and very informative." Jason Hansen, a U.S. Government and Law teacher at Millcreek High School in Washington, Utah, agreed by saying, "It was positive, relevant, exciting, well prepared, and we had excellent access to elected officials." Huntsman teachers will take with them, back to the classroom, a new experience and many new ideas, which will benefit their students for many years.

A Utah Studies teacher at Bennion Jr. High, Stephen Perschon, expressed his gratitude for being able to participate in the Huntsman seminar by saying, "It has renewed my energy and I am excited to teach the information that I have learned." Many teachers agreed with him. Laird Small, a U.S. and World History teacher at Tooele Valley High School, summarized his experience in one simple phrase, "This was the best educational experience of my life!"

## Coffee & Politics

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### Fall Semester 1999

Hosts: Kenneth Jackman III and Steve Spencer

#### *Foreign Service Careers*

Ronald Mortensen, retired Foreign Service Officer

*Iran: Assessing the Khatami Presidency*  
Shaul Bakhash, Clarence J. Robinson  
Professor of History, George Mason University

*The Challenges Facing the Russian Orthodox Church in the New Millennium*

Archbishop Dmitri of Tobolsky and Tyumensky

*The Sharks in Utah's State Budget; Prisons, Medicaid and Roads*

Michael Christensen, Executive Director, Utah Foundation

*Weapons Under Fire (book review)*

Lauren Holland, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, U of U  
*The State of U.S. Interests and Policies in the Middle East*

Phyllis Oakley, Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research

*The Power and Potential of Non-Violence*  
C. Peter Dougherty, Catholic Priest of the Diocese of Lansing, Michigan

*Salt Lake City Mayoral Debate*

Rocky Anderson v. Stuart Reid



Ralph Nader



*Rocky Anderson*

*Salt Lake City Council Debate*

“Archie” Archuleta, Linda Lepreau v. Nancy Saxton

*How Microcredit Will Help 100,000,000 of the World’s Poorest People by 2005*

John Hatch, Founder, Foundation for International Community Assistance

*Politics in South Africa*

Norm and Colleen Bangerter, former LDS Mission President, South Africa (1996-99); former Governor and First Lady of Utah

*New Zealand-U.S. Relations*

Right Honourable James Bogler, ONZ, Ambassador, New Zealand

*How Might the Presidential Campaign Focus the Health Care Debate?*

Philip R. Lee, M.D. Professor Emeritus and former Chancellor, School of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco

*Recent Developments in the Arab-Israeli Peace Process*

Nafez Nazzal, BYU, Jerusalem Center

*Ukraine in the System of European and World Security*

Anton Buteiko, Ambassador of Ukraine to the United States

**Spring Semester 2000**

Hosts: Tracy Murray and Christopher Patch

*The Mormon Church & Utah Politics*

Rod Decker, reporter KUTV News

*The Politics of Hunger*

Jan Poppendieck, Professor of Sociology and Director, Center for the Study of Family Policy, Hunter College, New York

*Utah Legislature 2000; Issues for Latinas/os*



*Rocco Siliciano*

James Gonzales, former Executive Director, Utah Coalition of La Raza

*Global Class and State Formation*

Christopher Chase-Dunn, Sociology Professor at Johns Hopkins University

*Public Foundations: An Alternative to Public Land Bureaucracy?*

Tim Tilton, Professor, Political Science and West European Studies, Indiana University

*The U.S. Role in the Middle East*

Wayne Owens, former U.S. Congressman

*Miracle at Philadelphia*

J.D. Williams, Professor Emeritus, Political Science, U of U

*A Town Meeting*

Governor Michael O. Leavitt

*Utah’s Education Paradox*

Michael Christensen, Executive

Director, Utah Foundation  
*The Bill of Rights: Introduction and Overview*

Scott M. Matheson, Jr., Dean, College of Law, U of U

*Taking Direct Action for Peace in the World Through Non-Government Organizations*

Judith Jenya, Executive Director and Founder, Global Children’s Organization

*Middle East Peace Process*

Hasan Abu Nimah, permanent representative, United Nations, New York

*The Current Situation in South-East Europe*

Erich Polh, Academic Director, Center for the Teaching of Foreign Languages and Cultures, University of Heidelberg

*Implementing Envision Utah’s Strategies*

Stephen Holbrook, Executive Director of Coalitions for Utah’s Future

*Vision for Salt Lake City’s Future*  
Mayor Rocky Anderson, Salt Lake City

*Egypt 2000: Challenges and Options*  
Ibrahim Karawan, Associate Director, Middle East Center, U of U

*International Financial Institutions*

Karen Shepherd, U.S. Executive Director for the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

*Transit: Vision for the 21st Century*

John English, General Manager of Utah Transit Authority

*A Town Meeting*

Ralph Nader, Green Party Presidential Candidate



*Legislative Wrap Up with Rep. Susan Koehn, Sen. John Valentine, Ted Wilson, Sen. Paula Julander, and Rep. Dave Jones.*





*Ted Wilson, Kevin McCarthy, Theresa Martinez, James Clayton, David Salisbury.*

## Forums

### Fall Semester 1999

#### *Should Local Government Place Restrictions on Firearms?*

Salt Lake City Mayoral Candidates, Rocky Anderson, Jim Bradley, Steve Harmsen, Dave Jones, Stuart Reid, Mike Zuhl

#### *Kosovo War: Now What? Implications and Prospects for International Security*

John Francis, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, U of U  
Mary Hampton, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, U of U  
Ibrahim Karawan, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, U of U  
Philippos Savvides (moderator)

#### *Investigating the President -From Watergate to Interngate*

Lanny A. Breuer, former White House Special Counsel to the President Clinton  
Fred F. Fielding, former Counsel to the President (1981-1986)  
Thomas B. Griffith, former Senate Legal Counsel of the United States Senate (1996-1999)

Kirk Jowers, attorney; Truman Scholar; former Hinckley Intern

#### *You Too Can Be a Hinckley Intern*

Ben McAdams, ASUU President; Advance Team for President Clinton; former Hinckley Intern  
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#### *The Rocco C. Siciliano Forum -Population Dynamics and Their Implications for the New Millennium*

Kevin F. McCarthy, Manager, International Studies, RAND  
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#### *You Can Make a Difference*

Irene Fisher, Director, Lowell Bennion Community Service Center  
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#### *Canada-U.S. Partnership in the Continent and the World*

Raymond Chrétien, Canadian Ambassador to the U.S.  
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Roger Rieber, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, U of U  
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#### *Veterans' Day Commemoration*

10th Mountain Division, five veterans share recollections of their days in the mountain troops  
War in the Pacific, five veterans of action in the Pacific look back more than fifty years

#### *Russia Today*

Gene Fitzgerald, Professor, Language Department, U of U  
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#### *China & Taiwan*

Yanqi Tong, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, U of U  
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#### *What Role Should Religion Play in Government and Politics?*

William S. Evans, Public Affairs, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

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#### *Kotwara Project in India-Service and Soul*

Ted and Kathy Wilson, project directors

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#### *How Congress Really Works*

Barbara F. Vucanovich (R-NV, 1983-97)

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#### *Lobbying for Higher Education*

Dave Buhler, Salt Lake City Councilman  
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#### *ASUU Presidential & Vice Presidential Debate*

Jess Dalton & Emilie Decker  
Brennan Moss & Steve Warner

#### *Contested Landscape: Wilderness Policy in Utah and the West (book review)*

Daniel McCool & Doug Goodman, co-editors  
Tina Compton, David Harward, Christa Powell, Richard Warnick, student authors

#### *Legislative Wrap Up*

Senator Paula Julander (D)  
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#### *Ratification of the Convention to*

*Eliminate Discrimination Against Women*

Nancy Haanstad, member Amnesty International; Professor, Political Science, Weber State University  
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