

HONORING 20 YEARS OF SERVICE: JAYNE NELSON



"OUR YOUNG, BEST MINDS MUST BE ENCOURAGED TO ENTER POLITICS."
- Robert H. Hinckley



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Honoring 20 Years of Service: Jayne Nelson

In this year's issue of Participation, we celebrate and honor Jayne Nelson's 20 years at the Hinckley Institute of Politics. Jayne is the Assistant Director of the Hinckley Institute, where she manages the Hinckley Institute office, the Hinckley Forums program, the Huntsman Seminar in Constitutional Government for Teachers, the finances of the Institute and the administration of academic scholarships. "Jayne has been the heart and soul of the Hinckley Institute for two decades and I hope that she will serve for another twenty years," said Hinckley Institute Director Kirk Jowers. "Jayne is passionate about providing opportunities to students and getting everyone involved in politics, government, and the community. The Hinckley Institute of Politics would not have achieved such great heights without Jayne's tireless efforts."

"Always help others and keep your integrity," is Jayne's advice to students. Jayne has exemplified this mantra throughout her 20 years with the Hinckley Institute, and has played a central role in fulfilling founder Robert H. Hinckley's vision of engaging students in government and the political process. Of Jayne, former Hinckley Institute Director Ted Wilson said, "Jayne Nelson is part of the history and the culture of the Hinckley Institute. No one follows Robert H. Hinckley's dictum more than Jayne – 'Every student a politician.' Jayne puts the students first. She greets them warmly, becomes a friend, and provides an experience specifically for each student. She seeks the best for each one."

In her tenure, Jayne has arranged more than 1,000 Hinckley Forums, which have benefitted students and the community and solidified the Hinckley Institute's role and reputation as the premier stage for political dialogue in Utah. Jayne has staged forums featuring prominent figures such as Bill Clinton, John McCain, Robert Redford, Harry Reid, Mitt Romney, Brent Scowcroft and Muhammad Yunus. In addition, Jayne has coordinated forums for five Utah governors, over a dozen members of Congress, and ambassadors from over 52 countries. Indeed, by all known accounts, Jayne has hosted more dignitaries than anyone else in Utah.

In addition to her remarkable work with Hinckley Forums, Jayne has overseen the distribution of millions of dollars of academic and internship scholarships to University of Utah students. Jayne's oversight and management has made it possible for thousands of students to participate in life-changing internships in Utah and other states, Washington, D.C., and over 30 countries.

During the last 20 years, Jayne has directly and indirectly influenced the lives of countless students, community members and leaders. Professor, pollster, and political guru Dr. Dan Jones stated, "I have been involved in higher education for over fifty years. I have never met anyone that commands more respect, admiration, and is as likeable as Jayne Nelson." Whether arranging speakers, managing finances, or always taking time to mentor students individually, Jayne has demonstrated how much can be accomplished by committing oneself to helping others succeed. Jayne's contributions to the Hinckley Institute and the University of Utah are immeasurable, and will undoubtedly leave an enduring legacy.

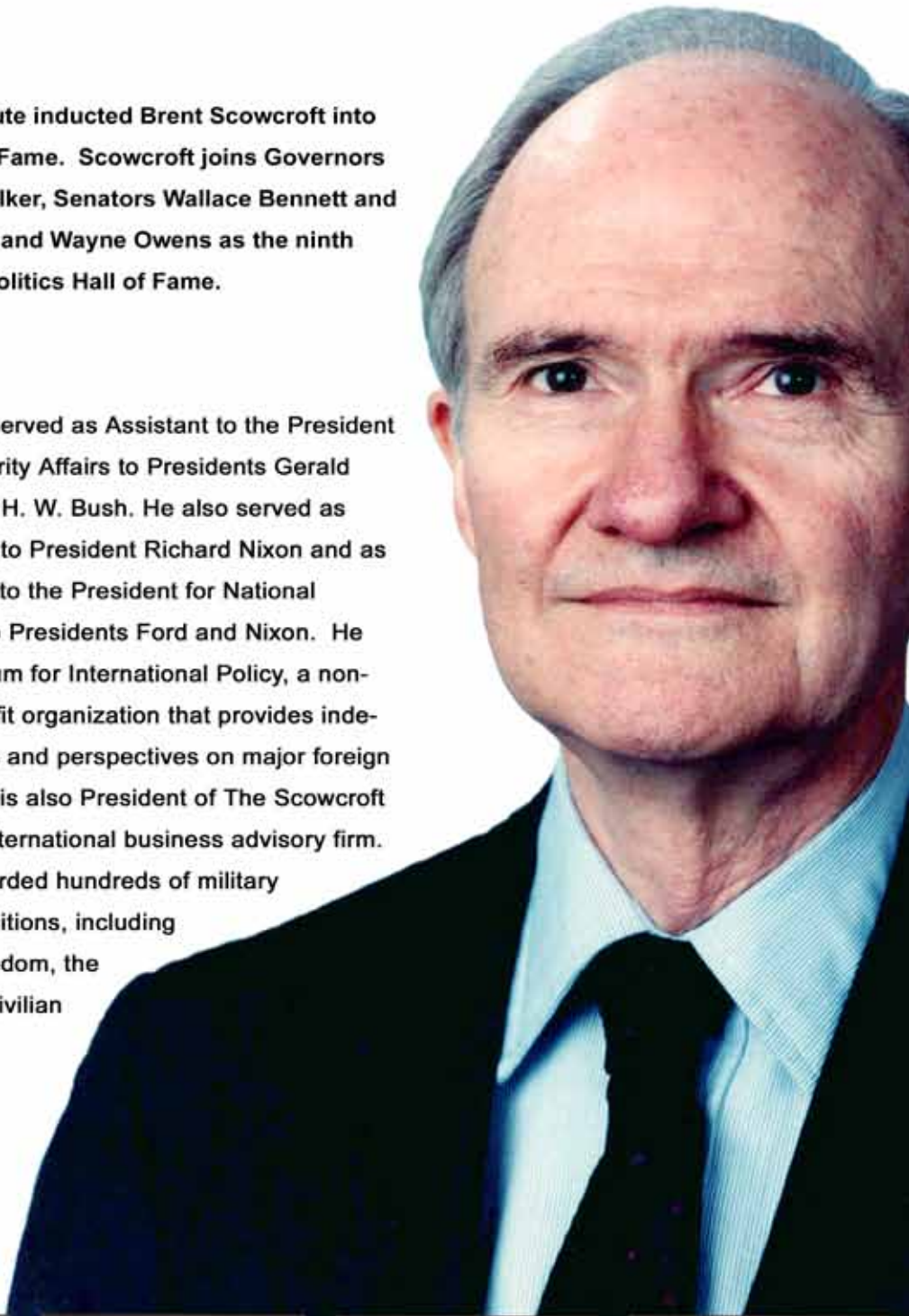
Some of Jayne's Memorable Hinckley Forum Guests:

Ralph Becker	Norman Bangerter	Robert Bennett
Joe Biden	Rob Bishop	David Broder
William F. Buckley, Jr.	Chris Cannon	Christine M. Durham
Russ Feingold	Gerald Ford	Jake Garn
Barry Goldwater, Jr.	Lee Hamilton	Orrin Hatch
James Hansen	Husain Haqqani	Hubert Humphrey
Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.	Joseph Kahn	Perezi Kamunanwire
Edward Kennedy	William Lawrence	Michael Leavitt
Richard Lugar	Thomas E. Mann	Jim Matheson
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Pierre-Richard Prosper	Yitzhak Rabin	Calvin Rampton
Harry Reid	Robert Redford	George Romney
Karl Rove	Larry Sabato	Brian Schweitzer
Brent Scowcroft	Ken Star	Ben Stein
Pierre Vimont	Olene Walker	Sir Arnold Wolfendale
Mitt Romney	The Dalai Lama	Muhammad Yunus

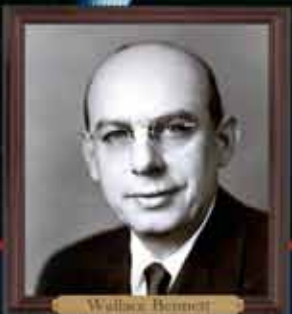
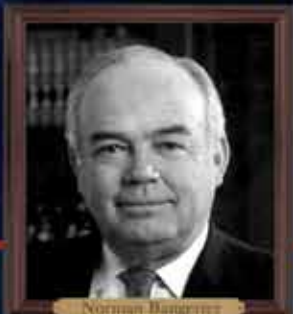
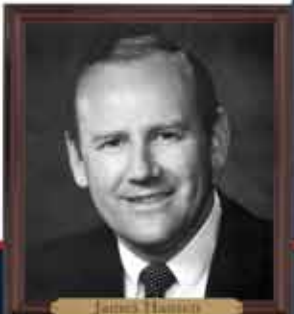


Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft Inducted Into Hinckley Institute Hall of Fame

On October 23, 2008 the Hinckley Institute inducted Brent Scowcroft into the Hinckley Institute of Politics Hall of Fame. Scowcroft joins Governors Bangerter, Matheson, Rampton, and Walker, Senators Wallace Bennett and Frank Moss, Congressmen Jim Hansen and Wayne Owens as the ninth inductee into the Hinckley Institute of Politics Hall of Fame.



Brent Scowcroft served as Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to Presidents Gerald Ford and George H. W. Bush. He also served as Military Assistant to President Richard Nixon and as Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to Presidents Ford and Nixon. He founded The Forum for International Policy, a non-partisan, non-profit organization that provides independent analyses and perspectives on major foreign policy issues. He is also President of The Scowcroft Group, Inc., an international business advisory firm. He has been awarded hundreds of military and policy recognitions, including the Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award.



2008 Hinckley Fellows: Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft and Dr. Dan Jones

The Hinckley Institute of Politics Fellows program invites distinguished elected officials, academics, commentators, and public servants to spend several days at the Hinckley Institute lecturing in university classes, meeting with students, faculty, and community leaders, and speaking to the public at a Hinckley Forum.



Dr. Dan Jones: Hinckley Fellow, April 4, 2008

For more than 50 years, Dan Jones has played a prominent role in Utah politics as a teacher, pollster, mentor, and political guru. Thousands of Utahns have been inspired while listening to his passionate lectures on U. S. Government. Many of Utah's leaders - in business and politics - trace their careers back to a class and/or early mentoring by Dr. Jones. In addition to being honored as the Hinckley Institute's Spring 2008 Hinckley Fellow, The Hinckley Institute, Doug Foxley and Frank Pignenelli hosted a luncheon to raise money for the newly created "Dan Jones Future Leaders Scholarship." The scholarship will be awarded to two local interns per semester who are committed to public service and demonstrate outstanding academic accomplishment and leadership potential. Additionally, Utah Governor Jon Huntsman Jr. declared April 4, 2008, "Dan Jones Day." Prominent politicians from around the state packed a banquet room in Rice-Eccles Stadium to pay tribute to Jones' career. Senator Orrin Hatch stated, "I think Dan Jones is the best pollster in the country. He has never been wrong in 30 years." When Jones took the stage, he outlined many of the challenges facing democracy in the United States. His passionate speech drew a standing ovation from the audience. Dr. Jones said, "I predict democracy will not only survive, it will prevail." The audio of Dan Jones' speech is available at www.hinckley.utah.edu.

Hinckley Journal of Politics

The Hinckley Institute continues its leading role as one of the only institutes to publish an undergraduate journal of political science – the Hinckley Journal of Politics. As a student authored and edited journal, the Hinckley Journal Board selects 7-10 scholarly papers of exceptional caliber each year. Local political leaders also are invited to contribute articles that address salient state, national, and international issues.

The 2008 edition of the Hinckley Journal of Politics (Vol. 9), edited by Shawn Strong and Anastasia Niedrich, featured articles by Salt Lake City Mayor Ralph Becker, Salt Lake City Councilman Luke Garrott, and Utah State Senator Howard Stephenson. Undergraduate articles addressed issues such as nuclear weapons proliferation, human trafficking, and equal employment laws in Utah. To view the 2008 Hinckley Journal of Politics as well as past editions go to www.hinckley.utah.edu.



Hinckley Institute is a Proud Editor and Contributor of G8 Magazine

The Hinckley Institute is pleased to continue its partnership with The Cat Company and the S.J. Quinney College of Law in the editing and production of the G8 Magazine. The G8 Magazine is the official publication of the G8 Summit and features stories on member nations and articles on issues facing the international community such as global warming and ethnic conflicts. Hinckley interns and University of Utah students Taylor Morgan, Ingrid Price, and Andrew Jensen were featured in the 2008 edition. Kirk Jowers and Courtney McBeth continue as editors of the magazine.



Shantou University, HIP Political Journalism Program

The Hinckley Institute was honored to participate in a groundbreaking program in collaboration with Shantou University which was generously sponsored by the Li Ka Shing Foundation. Seven students and three professors from the Cheung Kong School of Journalism at Shantou University in China and five students from the Hinckley Institute travelled throughout the United States covering the 2008 Presidential Election. The students learned about each others' cultures, how the U.S. media functions in elections cycles, and worked side-by-side, building relationships and learning from each other.



Campaign Management Minor

Hinckley Institute Stands Alone in Offering Coveted Minor

The Hinckley Institute of Politics is the only institution in the nation offering a minor in campaign management. Established in 2005, the interdisciplinary minor offers undergraduate students the opportunity to learn the theory and practice that will enable them to become effective leaders of election and advocacy campaigns.



Political Forum Series Course

Students can receive academic credit for attending Hinckley Forums by enrolling in the Political Forum Series course - Political Science 3910. Taught by Hinckley Institute Director Kirk Jowers, the course affords students the opportunity to attend Hinckley Forums at their convenience and requires them to write analytical papers on the forums they attend. For more information, please visit www.hinckley.utah.edu.



Sam Rich Program in International Politics

The Sam Rich Program in International Politics, made possible by the generous contribution of Sam G. Rich and Gloria Rich Hendricks, brings national and international elected officials and prominent academics to the University of Utah to speak on a broad variety of international topics. This year, the Sam Rich Program featured several prominent speakers, including Hinckley Fellows Dr. Dan Jones and Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, and U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Thomas Griffith.



Sam Rich

Huntsman Seminar on Constitutional Government



In 2008 the Hinckley Institute resumed the Huntsman Seminar on Constitutional Government. The Huntsman Seminar seeks to improve the quality of civic education in Utah schools by providing teachers with an intense and interactive week with the state's leading elected officials, academics, and public servants. Participants learn from experts in local, state, and national government as well as various commentators and professors. For more information about the 2008 Huntsman Seminar, visit www.hinckley.utah.edu.

2008 Hinckley Institute Straw Poll

On September 29, 2008 the Hinckley Institute announced the results of its 2008 straw poll. The poll showed an interesting bipartisan split. University of Utah students overwhelmingly supported Democratic presidential contender Barack Obama and incumbent Republican Governor Jon Huntsman Jr. In addition to finding high levels of support for Obama and Huntsman on campus, the poll also discovered that students preferred Democrats to be sent to Congress. The poll was the Hinckley Institute's second annual University-wide poll. In 2007, Mitt Romney edged out Barack Obama for a straw poll victory.



Students Attend National Campaign Conferences at Harvard University

The Hinckley Institute sent students Marko Mijic, Thomas Jarvis, Jonny Spendlove, Dustin Gardner, Heather Berg, Oakley Gordon, and Ben Dailey to Cambridge, Massachusetts to attend the National Campaign for Civic Engagement's spring and fall conferences held in April and September, 2008. The conferences were hosted by the Harvard Institute of Politics at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, and featured topics such as student engagement in the 2008 Presidential Election, voter registration and participation.

State and Local Interns 2008

Utah State Legislature

The Utah State Legislature Internship Program offers students unparalleled access to Utah's legislative process. Legislative interns serve as full-time assistants to legislators, lobbyists, and the media during the 45-day legislative session each spring. An intern may be asked to track legislation, write speeches, attend committee meetings, research issues, or analyze bills - all in a single day! Legislative interns are required to take the Legislative Intern Preparation Course taught by Dr. Dan Jones of the University of Utah and Jerry Howe of the Utah State Legislature Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

2008 Featured Utah State Legislature Interns



Zach Fountain: Zach graduated after interning for Senator's Scott McCoy and Ross Romero and attending the Washington Encounter Seminar. This opportunity helped Zach find a job as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Legislation and Communication in the Murray City Mayor's Office where he continues to be involved in the state legislative process and electoral politics. He is grateful for the support from Dr. Dan Jones and the opportunities from Hinckley Institute of Politics Internship Program.



Autumn Orme: During the 2008 legislative session, Autumn served as Senator Patricia Jones' intern. Senator Jones fostered Autumn's desire to speak for those who are rarely heard and those whose voices have been muffled by poverty, inequality, or poor education. Autumn will graduate from the University of Utah in May 2009 with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science. Following her graduation, Autumn plans to move to Washington, DC to pursue a Master's Degree in Public Social Policy at the University of Maryland. She hopes to work as a public policy advisor upon completion of her Master's Degree.

2008 Legislative Interns:

Representative Carol Spackman Moss.....	Megan Bitner	Representatives Roger Barrus and Fred Hunsaker.....	Hadley Moss
Representatives Lynn Hemingway and Christine Johnson.....	Lauren Carpenter	Representative Steven Mascaro.....	Tyler Moss
Representative Karen Morgan.....	Kevin Clyde	Representatives Janice Fisher and Rebecca Chavez-Houck....	Bryan Murray
Representatives Eric Hutchings and Paul Ray.....	Scott Coleman	Senator Pat Jones.....	Autumn Orme
Representative Lorie Fowlke.....	Ian Conway	Representative Phil Riesen.....	Christine Poleshuk
Senators Ross Romero and Scott McCoy.....	Zach Fountain	Senators Mark Madsen and Allen Christensen.....	Robert Pyper
Representatives Paul Neuenschwander and Gage Froerer.....	Brett Hampton	Senators Kevin VanTassell and Wayne Niederhauser.....	Ryan Richards
Representatives Curt Webb and Mark Walker.....	Jeffrey Henrie	Representatives Larry Wiley and Mark Wheatley.....	Blake Royall
Senators Darin Peterson and John Hickman.....	Michael Hock	Representatives Tim Cosgrove and Jackie Biskupski.....	Patrick Salaz
Representatives Lou Shurtliff and Roz McGee.....	Sabrina King	Representatives Stephen Sandstrom and Kevin Garn.....	Elliot Scruggs
Representatives Kerry Gibson and John Mathis.....	Nicholas Loveless	Representative Gordon Snow.....	Robert Spjute
Senator Sheldon Killpack.....	Philip Malugade	Representative Curtis Oda.....	Aaron Stinson
Senators Gene Davis and Mike Dmitrich.....	Stephen McKeone	Representative Brad Dee.....	Paul Wennerstrom



Utah State Legislature 2008 Interns

Panel Back: B-23: Shana Mecham, Sabrina King, Megan Bitner, Christine Poleshuk, Autumn Orme, Lauren Carpenter, Amy Code

Second Row: Dr. Dan Jones, Chase Clyde, Ian Conway, Philip Malugade, Paul Wennerstrom, Tyler Moss, Joey Nations, Brett Hampton, Blake Royall, Ryan Richards, Patrick Salaz

Third Row: Jerry Howe, Bryan Murray, Nick Loveless, Stephen McKeone, Aaron Stinson, Robert Spjute, Zach Fountain, Hadley Moss, Robert Pyper, Jeff Henrie, Elliot Scruggs, Michael Hock

Local Government Offices and Campaigns

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The Hinckley Institute offers part-time internships with local government, lobbying, and nonprofit organizations such as the Utah Governor's Office, the Utah Attorney General's Office, and the Salt Lake City Mayor's Office. A local Hinckley internship is a unique academic opportunity that allows students to step out of the classroom and gain real-world experience.



Spring 2008 Local Interns

(L-R) Front Row: Carine Foly, Lori Peterson, Emily Jasperon, McKenzie Newton **Second Row:** Luis Garza, Kaitlyn Janowiak, Anna Lee Lord, Denise Castaneda, Burgan Hobbs, Mona Tausinga, Taylor Clough **Third Row:** Amy Code, Daniel Black, Andrew Burton, John Eversole, Matt Arneson, Bryan Rodgers, Connor Arrington, Ricky Cheney, Mark Hollaar and Mark Erierson



Summer 2008 Local Interns

Front Row (L-R): Anna Thelin, Lauren Hansen, Anna Thompson, Erin Palmer, Liz Clark
Second Row: Jordan Andrew, Paige Marquardt, Christopher Thresher, Misty Johnson, Vanessa Resendiz, Marie Djagba, Amy Code
Third Row: Gary Tingey, Matt Clark, Greg Bates, Robert Costa, Sam Sargent, Chris Robinson, Tori Ballif, Zain Siddiqui, Drew Lowry

Featured Local Intern: Anna Thompson



Anna Thompson spent her summer in the Salt Lake City Mayor's Office of Human Rights as a local intern, and then spent her fall in Brussels with the EPP-ED Party of the European Union as an international intern. She will begin a graduate program in English in the fall of 2009.

Spring 2008 Local Interns

Alyson Alegre, *Ascend Alliance*
Matthew Arneson, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
Connor Arrington, *Utah Lieutenant Governor's Office*
Daniel Black, *U.S. District Court for the District of Utah*
Andrew Burton, *Utah Association of Special Districts*
Denise Castañeda, *Utahns for the American Dream*
Patrick Cheney, *American Civil Liberties Union*
Taylor Clough, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
Kathy Dang, *International Rescue Committee*
Bryan Depalma, *CJD & Associates*
Reshma Desa, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
Mark Ericson, *The Fox Group, INC*
John Eversole, *Utah Lieutenant Governor's Office*
Anna Fisher, *Utah Republican Party*
Carine Foly, *International Rescue Committee*

Luis Garza, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
Burgan Hobbs, *Utah State Board of Regents*
Mark Hollaar, *Salt Lake County Elections Division*
Nicholas Holland, *Utah State Democratic Party*
Kaitlyn Janowiak, *U.S. District Court for the District of Utah*
Emily Jaspersen, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
Annika Jones, *Office of the Attorney General*
Annalee Lord, *March of Dimes*
McKenzie Newton, *Utah Governor's Office*
Lori Peterson, *Craig A Peterson Consulting LLC*
Jason Smith, *David Leavitt for Congress*
Samantha Starr, *Utah State Democratic Party*
Taj Suleyman, *LDS Church Refugee Resettlement*
Mona Tausinga, *Disability Law Center*
Hannepes Taychayev, *Ascend Alliance*

Summer 2008 Local Interns

Jordan Andrew, *Utah Lieutenant Governor's Office*
 Mckell Ashcroft, *Karen Morgan for Utah State Senate*
 Tori Ballif, *Office of Congressman Jim Matheson*
 Camille Buffenmeyer, *Disability Law Center*
 Alan Cartwright, *Jim Hunt for Congress*
 Matthew Clark, *Utah State Board of Regents*
 Elizabeth Clark, *Utah Governor's Office*
 Whitney Cleverly, *Ascend Alliance*
 Robert Thomas Costa, *U.S. District Court of Utah*
 Carine Foly, *International Rescue Committee*
 Lauren Hansen, *Utah Governor's Office*
 Scotti Hill, *Utah Museum of Fine Arts*
 Misty Johnson, *Ascend Alliance*
 Michael Langton, *Mark Shurtleff for Attorney General*
 Meredith Lerch, *American Red Cross*
 Brooke Littlewood, *Utah Department of Workforce Services*
 Drew Lowry, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Thomas Lund, *Salt Lake County Mayor's Office*
 Paige Marquardt, *Ascend Alliance*
 Brenna Marron, *Jim Matheson for Congress*
 Erin Palmer, *March of Dimes*
 Katherine Pasker, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Vanessa Resendiz, *Utah Third District Juvenile Court*
 Eduardo Reyes-Chavez, *Trupiano Law*
 Christopher Robison, *Utah Common Values*
 Corey Rushton, *Utah Democrats*
 Julie Sagers, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
 Babak Sakaki, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
 Zain Siddiqui, *ACLU*
 Bradley Solis, *Mark Shurtleff for Attorney General*
 Anna Theln, *Utah Third District Juvenile Court*
 Anna Thompson, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
 Christopher Thresher, *Salt Lake County Council*
 Gary Tingey, *Utah Association of Realtors*
 Robert Warner, *Peter Corroon for Mayor*
 Julia Wee, *Utah Lieutenant Governor's Office*

Fall 2008 Local Interns

Jordan Breighner, *Obama for President*
 Brian Corry, *Catholic Community Services*
 Azia Dansie, *International Rescue Committee*
 Marie L. Djagba, *Afriksoul*
 James Egan, *Capitol Preservation Board*
 Thomas Ellerbeck, *Young Democrats of Utah*
 Julia Engar, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Fred Ferguson, *U.S. District Court*
 Cori Francom, *Obama for President*
 Andrew Gilbert, *Luz Robles for Utah State Senate*
 Cortney Henne, *Jim Matheson for Congress*
 Molly Jones, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
 Rachel Kellersberger, *Karen Morgan for Utah State Senate*
 Heather Lindsay, *Governor's Office*
 Maxine Marshall, *Ascend Alliance*
 Drew Martinez, *Dave Hogue for Utah House of Reps.*
 Bryan Murray, *Utah Democratic Party*
 Mark Nelson, *Governor's Office*
 Megan Osterloh, *Office of the Lt. Governor*
 Deidre Parker, *International Rescue Committee*
 Gregory Powers, *Mark Shurtleff for Attorney General*
 Aaron Rennaker, *Utah Politics Radio*
 Christopher Robison, *Utah Common Values*
 Zach Rusk, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Elliot Sorenson, *Drew Quinn for Utah House of Reps.*
 Peter Stamos, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Samantha Starr, *Utah Democrats*
 Crystal Stuart, *Matheson for Congress*
 Julian Tippetts, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
 Uriel Tuck, *Salt Lake City Mayor's Office*
 Cade Walker, *Representative Paul Ray*
 Nathan Walsh, *Utah Juvenile Courts*
 David White, *Utah Lt. Governor's Office*
 Erin Wilson, *Meril Lynch*





Spring 2008 Washington, D.C. Interns

Peter Bailey, *Federal Judicial Center*
 Alyson Bean, *Dulko Group*
 Keith Chalmers, *Democratic National Committee*
 Nicole Christenson, *Office of Congressman Jim Matheson*
 Spencer Critchett, *Office of Congressman Chris Cannon*
 Sarah Crookston, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Michael Daniels, *Democratic National Committee*
 Lorraine Evans, *House Committee on Foreign Affairs*
 Nicholas Evans, *House Committee on Foreign Affairs*
 Jeremiah Hansen, *Office of Congressman Rob Bishop*
 J. Andrew Jensen, *Office of Congressman Tom Lantos*
 Artem Kopelev, *Department of Health and Human Services*
 Brenna Marron, *Campaign Legal Center*
 Alan Monsen, *GOPTV*
 Christopher Mumford, *Center for American Progress*
 Silvia Navejar, *Mickey Ibarra and Associates*
 Megan Osterloh, *Policy Impact*
 Miles Petty, *Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, P.C.*
 Caleb Proulx, *Office of Senator Harry Reid*
 Kiley Robison, *Subcommittee on Intl. Organizations and Human Rights*
 Cody Rogers, *Office of Senator Robert Bennett*
 Noel Sandberg, *PaL-Tech*
 Matthew Sanderson, *McCain Campaign*
 Benjamin Tuttle, *Center for American Progress*

Summer 2008 Washington, D.C. Interns

Suneeti Agrawal, *Democratic National Committee*
 Christine Angstman, *Democratic National Committee*
 Elyse Arrington, *Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, P.C.*
 Amanda Barrett, *PaL-Tech*
 Cameron Beech, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Megan Call, *ACLU*
 Nathan Cannon, *Office of Congressman Rob Bishop*
 James Egan, *Health and Human Services*
 Fred Ferguson, *Office of Congressman Rob Bishop*
 Kasinda Goodwin, *Office of Senator Orrin Hatch*
 Margaret Hortin, *Republican Governor's Association*
 Julia Huddleston, *Dept. for Housing and Family Services*
 Diane Johnson, *Office of Congressman Chris Cannon*
 Vanessa Johnson, *RESULTS*
 Meagan Kline, *Caring Institute*
 Erin Kucic, *Molly Allen and Associates*
 Matt LaFrance, *Mitchell Group*
 Jeremiah Langston, *Senate Finance Committee*
 Jonattan Leano, *Medical Care Development*
 Yan Liu, *Student from Shantou University, Policy Impact*
 Stanley Lloyd, *Office of Congressman Jim Matheson*
 Rochelle McConkie, *Office of Senator Harry Reid*
 Marko Mijic, *Health and Human Services*
 Joshua Moon, *Democracy Now*
 Yulliana Novoa, *Mickey Ibarra and Associates*
 Kimball Parker, *Health and Human Services*
 Jeff Sbaih, *House Committee on Foreign Affairs*
 Suzanne Schmidt, *GOPTV*
 Michael Sears, *Campaign Legal Center*
 Lingyan Shen, *Student from Shantou University, Policy Impact*
 Rebecca Tingey, *U.S. Conference of Mayors*
 Henry Tran, *Health and Human Services*
 Randall Wood, *Policy Impact*
 Brian Wotring, *Veterans of Foreign Wars*
 Shayna Zeidner, *Democratic National Committee*
 Laney Zundel, *GOPTV*

2008 Capital Encounter, Washington, DC

The Hinckley Institute's Capital Encounter Program provides students who are unable to serve a full-semester Washington, DC internship with an intense one-week tour of our nation's capital. Led by University of Utah Professor Tim Chambless, participants enjoy private meetings with executive branch officials, Congressional leaders, and a Supreme Court Justice, as well as VIP tours of sites such as the White House, Supreme Court, and U.S. Capitol Building. The Capital Encounter program exposes students to a wide variety of issues facing our nation and grants them unparalleled access to the leaders shaping domestic and foreign policy as our nation's capital becomes the classroom.

Fall 2008 Washington, DC Interns

Tyler Anderson	House Committee on Foreign Affairs
Christine Angstman	DNC/RNC Conventions Journalism Internship
David Baker	Fresenius
Katherine Christiansen	Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP)
Drew Conrad	DNC/RNC Conventions Journalism Internship
Eric Crane	Mitchell Group
Mitch Dumke	Reuters
Elizabeth Graham	Department of Health and Human Services
Leslie Heath	DNC/RNC Conventions Journalism Internship
Blake Henderson	GOPTV
Matt Holton	White House - Presidential Personnel Office
Andrew Hoyt	Office of Congressman Jim Matheson (D-UT)
Misty Myers	Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight
Chelsea Jones	Republican Governor's Association
Laney Kawaguchi	Democratic National Committee
Jed Layton	DNC/RNC Conventions Journalism Internship
Erica Monson	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, P.C.
Edward Nelson	DNC/RNC Conventions Journalism Internship
Erin Palmer	Federal Judicial Center
Kimball Parker	Health and Human Services
John Pearson	Office of Senator Orrin Hatch
Stephen Sartain	Democratic National Committee
Michelle Schmitt	Democratic National Committee
Maranda Skoubye	GMMB
Aly Sosa	Campaign Legal Center
Ashley Swan	Policy Impact
Joseph Vandette	Department of Energy
Francis Patrick Walker	Office of Congressman Robert Wexler (D-FL)



2008 Capital Encounter Participants

Front Row (L-R)	Ayako Uchida, Yan Liu, Lauren Brown-Washburn, Beth Williams, Lingyan Shen
Middle Row	Chris Pudwill, Courtney Emery, Jamie Bowen, Michelle Jensen, Chrisella Sagers
Back Row	Zach Fountain, Jeremiah Hansen, Rose Jones, Jennifer Morgan

Featured Washington, DC Interns



Misty Myers: Misty completed degrees in International Studies and Film Studies. As an intern for the House Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, Misty was involved in research and preparation for hearings and briefings covering human rights of Cuban Americans, political reconciliation in Iraq, and the UN Mandate for Iraq. She had the opportunity to work closely with the Subcommittee on an international education bill to be proposed in 2009. Misty plans to start law school fall 2010.



Mitch Dumke: Mitch is majoring in economics and working as a freelance photographer. As an intern, he photographed major news stories in DC, particularly the financial crisis, and returned after his internship to cover President Obama's Inauguration. His images have been published in The New York Times, Washington Post, Financial Times, and USA Today.

“Who are Hinckley Institute of Politics Interns?”

Washington, DC

The Hinckley Institute’s Washington, DC internship program places students with organizations and government offices such as the White House, the U.S. Supreme Court, and several Congressional offices and committees. Our nation’s capital offers diverse learning opportunities and internships are available for spring, summer, and fall semesters. All Washington, DC interns are guaranteed a scholarship of at least \$800/month and subsidized housing. Washington, DC Interns may receive up to 12 hours of Political Science 4900 - Political Internship credit for full time internships.

Spring 2008 Washington, DC Interns

(L-R) Front Row: Breanna Marron, Noel Sandberg, Alyson Bean, Lorraine Evans, and Silvia Navejar.

Second Row: Kiley Robison, Spencer Critchett, Keith Chalmers, Sarah Crookston, Artem Kopelev, Megan Osterloh, Benjamin Tuttle, Andrew Jensen, and Courtney McBeth.

Third Row: Peter Bailey, Chris Mumford, Caleb Proulx, Michael Daniels, Kirk Jowers, Miles Petty, Nichole Christensen, Jeremiah Hansen, and Alan Monsen.

Summer 2008 Washington, DC Interns

(L-R) Front Row: Erin Kucic, Amanda Barrett, Meagan Kline, Rebecca Tingey, Rochelle McConkie.

Second Row: Jayne Nelson, Margaret Hortin, Julia Huddleston, Kasi Goodwin, Stanley Lloyd, Vanessa Johnson, Elyse Arrington, Megan Call, Suneeti Agrawal, Marko Mijic, Christine Angstman.

Third Row: Brian Wotring, Dianne Johnson, Michael Sears, Jonattan Leano, Matt LaFance, Jeremiah Langston, Suzanne Schmidt, Nathan Cannon, Kirk Jowers, Cameron Beech, Randy Wood, Jeff Sbailh, James Egan, Fred Ferguson, Courtney McBeth.

Not Pictured: Laney Zundel, Henry Tran, Taylor Safford, Yulliana Novia.

Fall 2008 Washington, DC Interns

(L-R) Front Row: Laney Kawaguchi, Elizabeth Graham, Chelsea Jones, Erica Monson, Misty Johnson, Amy Code.

Second Row: Jayne Nelson, Ashley Swan, Katherine Christiansen, Leslie Heath, Kirk Jowers, Drew Conrad, Jed Layton, Michelle Schmitt, Ally Sosa, Courtney McBeth.

Third Row: Erin Palmer, Nick Sartain, Eric Crane, Matthew Horton, Andrew Hoyt, Thomas Nelson, Patrick Walker, Blake Henderson, Maranda Skoubye, John Pearson.

Not Pictured: Mitch Dumke, David Baker, Joseph Vandette, Tyler Anderson, Kimball Parker, Michael Henroid and Christine Angstman.



Hinckley Institute International Internship Program

The Hinckley Institute of Politics' nationally-recognized internship program has provided over 5,500 students with internship experiences since its establishment in 1965. Through a generous contribution from the Li Ka Shing Foundation, the Hinckley Institute has expanded its program to establish world-renowned international internships in key locations around the globe. The goal of the international internship program is to provide students experience in global public policy, service, business, and politics, as well as to foster greater understanding among peoples, cultures, and governments.

Locations include: Cambodia, China, India, Taiwan, South Korea, Japan, Mexico, Brazil, Peru, Belize, Scotland, Ethiopia, Bolivia, Mozambique, Ecuador, Ghana, and Thailand. Academic scholarships of up to \$5,000 are provided by the Hinckley Institute, thanks to generous donations from Jim and Lyn Hinckley, the Li Ka-Shing Foundation and others, to help cover travel and living expenses.

International Spring 2008 Interns

Sean Reichert, Ben Williams, Jeremy Black, Kira Ayish, Clayton Anderson, Jessica Treggale, Rebekah Shriver, Bradly Leavitt, Peter Robson, Molly Jones, Carly Young, Oliver Young.

International Summer 2008 Interns

Front Row (L-R): Jenny Spendlove, Reshma Desai, Emily Jasperson, Kaitlyn Janowiak, Kimley Olsen

Second Row: Irving Torres, Jonny Spendlove, Shawn Strong, Marianne Cannon, Joseph Peterson, Nancy Vu, Brandon Evans, Emily Smoot, Ashley Bernhisel, Courtney McBeth

Third Row: Christyn Costley, Jonathan Bowen, Tyler Rice, Bryan Mulholland, Kirk Jowers, Doug Petersen, Zaven Sargsian, Wesley Johnson, Philip Babitz, Daniel Hammond, Thomas Lund



International Fall 2008 Interns

First Row (L-R): SacNicle Yescas-Smoot, Anna Thompson, Liz Clark, Diane Johnson

Second Row: Jayne Nelson, Tyler Riedesel, Gavin Wilde, Kirk Jowers, Cameron Beech, Courtney McBeth. Not Pictured: Lisa Carrier



Featured International Intern



Mark Ericson (Beijing, China - Coca Cola)

Mark is a senior majoring in Public Relations and Chinese. He worked for the Government Affairs Department of Coca-Cola's Olympic Project Group during the 2008 Beijing Olympics. He was able to see how multinational companies adapt to working with foreign governments and participate in a number of events related to Coca-Cola's involvement in the 2008 Olympics.

2008 Hinckley International Interns

Spring 2008 International Interns

Clayton Anderson, *Peru - Ascend Alliance*
 Jacob Anderson, *Peru - Ascend Alliance*
 Kira Ayish, *New Dehli, India - Maitri*
 Jeremy Black, *Scotland - Scottish Parliament*
 Carly Johnston, *Ecuador - Ascend Alliance*
 Molly Jones, *Bolivia - Ascend Alliance*
 Frank Knowles, *Bolivia - Ascend Alliance*
 Brady Leavitt, *Bangkok, Thailand - King Prajadhipok Institute*
 Sean Reichert, *Melbourne, Australia - Australian Parliament*
 Peter Robson, *Bangkok, Thailand - King Prajadhipok Institute*
 Rebekah Shriver, *Melbourne, Australia - Australian Parliament*
 Jessica Tregeagle, *New Dehli, India - Maitri*
 Ben Williams, *Scotland - Scottish Parliament*
 Oliver Young, *Ecuador - Ascend Alliance*

Fall 2008 International Interns

Cameron Beech, *Brussels, Belgium - USEU Defense Advisor's Office*
 Lisa Carrier, *Moscow, Russia - International Language Programs*
 Elizabeth Clark, *Brussels, Belgium - European Parliament*
 Diane Johnson, *Melbourne, Australia - Australian Parliament*
 Tyler Riedesel, *Geneva, Switzerland - Worldwide Organization for Women*
 Anna Thompson, *Brussels, Belgium - European Parliament*
 Gavin Wilde, *Kiev, Ukraine - United States State Department*
 Sac Nicté Yescas-Smoot, *Brussels, Belgium - European Parliament*

Summer 2008 International Interns

Connor Arrington, *Belize - Organization of American States*
 Philip Babitz, *Kiev, Ukraine - U.S. State Department*
 Ashlie Bernhisel, *Cuenca, Ecuador - Ascend Alliance*
 Jonathan Bowen, *Santa Cruz, Bolivia - Ascend Alliance*
 Marianne Cannon, *Ecuador - Ascend Alliance*
 Christyn Costley, *RioBamba, Ecuador - Ascend Alliance*
 Reshma Desai, *Melbourne, Australia - Australian Parliament*
 Brandon Elmer, *Sao Paulo, Brazil*
 Mark Ericson, *Beijing, China - Coca Cola*
 Kaitlyn Janowiak, *New Dehli, India - Maitri*
 Emily Jaspersen, *Shanghai, China - CitiGroup*
 Wesley Johnson, *Sao Paulo, Brazil - Azul Airlines*
 Alan Monsen, *Melbourne, Australia - Australian Parliament*
 Bryan Mulholland, *Sao Paulo, Brazil - Azul Airlines*
 Kimley Olson, *Cuenca, Ecuador - Ascend Alliance*
 Douglas Peterson, *Santa Cruz, Bolivia - Ascend Alliance*
 Joseph Peterson, *Debre Zeit, Ethiopia - Ascend Alliance*
 Tyler Rice, *Madrid, Spain - Department of Commerce*
 Zaven Sargsian, *Armenia - Armenian Assembly of America*
 Emily Smoot, *Cuenca, Ecuador - Ascend Alliance*
 Jonny Spendlove, *New Dehli, India - Maitri*
 Jennifer Spendlove, *New Dehli, India - Maitri*
 Shawn Strong, *Ethiopia - Ascend Alliance*
 Irving Torres, *Peru - Ascend Alliance*
 Nancy Vu, *New Dehli, India - Maitri*
 Zhaozhou Zhang, *China - GUANG FA HUA FU Securities*

Outstanding Hinckley Interns



Brian Wotring Awarded Bae B. Gardner Internship

Brian is an eight year veteran of the United States Army and a senior majoring in Political Science and International Studies. As an intern with the Veterans of Foreign Wars he had the opportunity to lobby Congress on key veteran legislative issues, with the passing of the 21st Century G.I. Bill as the highlight of the summer. Brian also participated in constructing VFW policy regarding veteran's death benefits. The Bae B. Gardner Internship was established to honor the former Assistant Director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics, Bae Gardner.



Rochelle McConkie Awarded R.J. Snow Internship

Rochelle McConkie is a senior majoring in English Teaching and Spanish from Annapolis, Maryland. She currently serves as news editor of The Daily Utah Chronicle, where she has also worked as a news reporter and assistant editor, covering administrative issues and the Utah State Legislature. Rochelle is also involved in the Honors College and is a member of the Student Alumni Board. During the summer of 2008, Rochelle completed a Hinckley internship in Washington, D.C. with Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid. Rochelle worked on the oversight and accountability hearings team of the Senate Democratic Policy Committee, where she investigated waste, fraud, and abuse associated with defense contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan. The R.J. Snow Internship was established to honor former Hinckley Institute of Politics Director, R.J. Snow.



Zain Siddiqui Awarded Pete Suazo Internship

Zain Siddiqui is majoring in Economics and Political Science with a minor in Campaign Management. "I thoroughly enjoy working with the ACLU of Utah," Said Zain. "I found that in a state that has succumbed to a single-dominant party, the work of local ACLU leaders becomes even more valuable in fighting the impoverishment of our constitution and democracy." The Pete Suazo Internship was established in remembrance of Senator Pete Suazo and honors an outstanding student from a diverse background.



Matt Holton Awarded Wayne Horiuchi Internship

Matt Holton is currently a junior majoring in Political Science. Matt served as an intern in the Presidential Personnel Department at the White House under the Bush administration. Regarding this experience, Matt said, "It was an opportunity that has forever changed me; the President's true commitment to public service and his selflessness, love, and sincere belief in this country showed me how a true public servant should be." Matt expects to graduate in August 2010 and plans to pursue an MPA. The Wayne Horiuchi Internship honors an outstanding intern serving in the White House, will continue to seek a career in Public Service, in order to fulfill his desires to make a difference.



Meagan Kline Awarded Frank Moss Internship

Meagan Kline is a senior majoring in Exercise and Sport Science with a minor in Nutrition. As an intern, Meagan was responsible for managing hundreds of adult and youth nominations for the annual Caring Awards ceremony, sponsored by the National Association for Homecare and Hospice. It was her assignment to research these individuals and their organizations. Working in this capacity allowed me to gain a greater insight into non-profit organizations and the inspiring individuals who make an impact in our communities.

The Frank Moss Internship on Caring honors as outstanding intern serving at the Caring Institute



Noel Sandberg Awarded Pal-Tech Internship

Noel is a senior pursuing a degree in International Studies. She spend a semester in DC as an intern for Pal-Tech, where she researched the conflict in the Middle East. Noel stated, "My Washington, DC internship was a great way to enrich my time at the University of Utah. I learned so much about how government institutions work and acquired the skills I needed to transition into the working world." Noel plans to graduate in May, 2009. She currently works as the Development Coordinator at KCPW public radio in Salt Lake City and hopes to get her graduate degree in International Journalism.

The Pal-Tech Internship was established to honor an outstanding intern serving with Pal-Tech.



Elizabeth Clark Awarded Calvin Rampton Internship

Liz graduated from the University of Utah in May 2008 with degrees in History and French. She served as a Hinckley intern with the Governor's Office during the summer of 2008 and with the European Parliament in Brussels, Belgium in Fall 2008. In Brussels, Liz worked in the office of Jonathan Evans, a Conservative Member of the European Parliament for Wales. She was responsible for Jonathan's correspondence with his constituents as well as organizing Parliament visits and presentations. Reflecting upon her experience as an intern, she said "I had never before experienced politics on such an international level. Through experiencing a new setting and an unfamiliar decision-making process, I was able to gain a more widespread understanding of how similar issues affect very different places. This experience opened my perspectives, and cemented my desire to remain involved in international issues throughout my life."

The Governor Calvin Rampton Internship was established to honor an exceptional intern serving in the Utah



Jeff Sbaih Awarded Wayne Owens, Wagner Foundation Internship

Jeff is a senior majoring in Political Science and Economics with a minor in Business. As a student at the University of Utah, Jeff was actively involved with the Associated Students of the University of Utah, the Union Programming Council, and various other student groups. Jeff served as a Hinckley intern with the House Committee on Foreign Affairs in Washington, DC in the summer, 2008. Reflecting on his experience as an intern, he stated "my study of politics at the University of Utah was truly enriched by the Hinckley Institute of Politics. To be immersed in a political environment, watching what I had been taught in the classroom actually taking place before my eyes, was a priceless and memorable experience." Jeff plans to graduate in August 2009 and expects to begin law school shortly thereafter.

The I.J. and Jeanne Wagner Internship honors an outstanding intern serving in Washington, DC.



Cody Rogers Awarded Robert F. Bennett Internship

Cody Rogers is a Junior Political Science Major with minors in Ethnic Studies and Campaign Management. Interning in Senator Bob Bennett's press office, he helped prepare press releases, gathered daily news clips, and participated in press conferences. After his internship, Cody accepted a position in Senator Bennett's Salt Lake office where he continues to work. Speaking about his internship, he said, "Being an intern deepened my appreciation for hardworking elected officials and increased my gratitude for the vibrant democracy we have in the United States. It was an experience that no classroom setting could teach me."

The Robert F. Bennett Internship honors an outstanding ntern serving in the Senator's Washington, D.C. office.



Jonny Spendlove Awarded Ted Wilson Internship

During the summer of 2008, Jonny Spendlove spent time with SKS Microfinance in Hyderabad, India, and with Maitri in New Delhi. With SKS, one of the largest and fastest growing microfinance institutions in the world, Jonny visited borrowers in the rural parts of Andhra Pradesh, and learned about the benefits of microfinance lending. With Maitri, a non-profit organization focused on HIV-AIDS prevention and the empowerment of women and children, Jonny drafted a microfinance business plan and taught Indian high school students about the risks of drug use and unprotected sex. ?It was incredible to see the empowerment efforts of multiple organizations in India. The potential for profitability and sustainability that microfinance offers is exciting, both for the improvement of rural welfare, and the empowerment of women.?

The Ted Wilson Internship honors an outstanding intern serving an internship in India.

Hinckley Institute Scholarships

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Ingrid Price Awarded Harry S. Truman Scholarship

Ingrid graduates in May 2009 with an Honors degree in political science with an international relations emphasis and middle east studies minor. In 2007 she worked with the U.S. Mission to NATO in Belgium where she focused her work on missile defense and she has also enjoyed working with Somali refugees in Utah. Ingrid is passionate about global security and human rights issues and plans to further study humanitarian intervention at Cambridge University beginning in fall 2009.

The Harry S. Truman Scholarship gives \$30,000 and preferred graduate-school admission to outstanding students demonstrating outstanding intellectual and leadership skills and a strong commitment to public service



Jesse Michael Nix Awarded Robert H. Hinckley Scholarship

Jesse Michael Nix received a degree in Political Science from the University of Utah and is currently pursuing his law degree at the University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law. He was a Hinckley intern to former State Senator Ron Allen during the 2004 legislative session, and later successfully managed State Senator Ross Romero's 2004 House and 2006 Senate campaigns. Jesse currently works as a law clerk for the Salt Lake County District Attorney's office and hopes to become a criminal prosecutor after law school. He is honored to be the 2008 recipient of the Robert H. Hinckley Graduate Scholarship and plans on a long life in public service. *The Robert H. Hinckley Graduate Scholarship was established in 1983 by Dr. Ben Wood, a long-time friend of Robert H. Hinckley. The scholarship is awarded to graduate students who seek careers or professional involvement in public service*



Daisy Krakowiak Awarded Abrelia Clarissa Hinckley Scholarship

Daisy Krakowiak graduated summa cum laude from the University of Utah with a triple bachelor's degree in Political Science, Sociology, and Behavioral Science & Health as well as a minor in International Studies. In 2007, she served a Hinckley Internship for the Salt Lake City Mayor's Coalition on Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs. In addition, she was the Articles Editor for the 2008 annual edition of Utah's Health, a peer-reviewed journal. She is currently pursuing a Master in Public Health degree at the University of Utah School of Medicine. Her career goals are to be a political advocate and public servant for health issues locally and in developing countries. She is also very passionate about the environment and human rights.

The Abrelia C. Hinckley Graduate Scholarship was established by Robert H. Hinckley in honor of his wife. The scholarship is awarded to graduate students who exhibit commitment to politics and public service.



Marko Mijic Awarded Matheson Leadership Scholarship

Marko Mijic is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Science and Health. He completed a Hinckley internship with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the summer of 2008. He worked on the first-of-its-kind national electronic health records (HER) demonstration project, in the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services. Marko stated, "My Hinckley internship helped me gain a better understanding of the complex health care system. I had the opportunity to work on various projects, which allowed me to gain real-life experience that I could not have received in a classroom. This internship has been invaluable in helping me decide the direction of my professional goals."

The Scott M. Matheson Leadership Forum Scholarship is given to students who plan to pursue careers in public service and demonstrate extraordinary leadership in the tradition of Scott M. Matheson, former Governor of Utah



Jamie Johnson Awarded Matheson Leadership Scholarship

Jamie graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics in 2008. During her undergraduate career she worked as an Undergraduate Research Scholar in the Speech Acquisition Lab under the direction of Professor Hayes-Harb. She also dedicated time to the Bennion Center's Service Learning Scholar program. Jamie plans to attend the University of Texas to complete a Masters Degree in Information Sciences with an emphasis in Library Science and Latin American Studies. "Support from scholarship sponsors like the Matheson's has enabled me to take part in so many new opportunities, like visiting Mozambique where I fell in love with librarianship."

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Doug Peterson Awarded John & Anne Hinckley Scholarship

Doug Petersen will graduate in spring 2009 with honors degrees in English literature and Economics. During summer 2007, he interned in Senator Robert Bennett's Washington D.C. Office, tracking immigration legislation and researching tax reform. During summer 2008, he interned in Bolivia as a micro-enterprise instructor. Doug credits the Hinckley Institute of Politics with "connecting my classroom passions to real-world, practical experiences that solidified my plans for graduate school and an eventual career." In fall 2009, he will begin graduate work in international political economy at London School of Economics, after which he plans to attend law school.

The John & Anne Hinckley Scholarship is awarded to undergraduate students who display excellent academic performance and political involvement.



Kate Mecham Awarded Governor Olene S. Walker Scholarship

Kate will graduate in 2009 with a degree in Political Science, with minors in Economics and French. Kate has been a Hinckley student staff member for the last two years. Kate served internships with Policy Impact Communications in Washington, DC in 2007 and Ascend Humanitarian Alliance in Salt Lake City. She has studied abroad in France and plans to travel to Australia to intern with the Australian Parliament for the State of Victoria in 2009.

The Governor Olene S. Walker Scholarship was established in 2005 to honor Utah's first female governor and to encourage female undergraduate students to follow her example of excellent public service.



Alyson Alegre Awarded Senator Pete Suazo Community Scholarship

Alyson interned locally with Ascend Alliance in Spring, 2008. Alyson writes, "I learned so much about the importance of non-profit organizations. Following my internship, I participated in one of Ascend's service expeditions to Lima, Peru. I experienced first-hand the hard work it takes to make a difference in the lives of those in need--and I loved every minute of it."

The Senator Pete Suazo Leadership Scholarship was founded in November 2001, shortly after the tragic death of the late Senator Suazo to honor the legacy and commitment of the Senator.



Stanley Lloyd Awarded Rocco C. Siciliano Scholarship

Stanley is a Political Science and Speech Communications double major pursuing Honors degrees and a minor in Campaign Management. During the Summer of 2008, Stanley interned with U.S. Congressman Jim Matheson. While there, Stanley conducted research, drafted letters, and attended hearings dealing with Alternative Energy, Veterans Affairs, and Health Issues. He plans to complete his Undergraduate Degrees in the spring of 2010.

The Rocco C. Siciliano Scholarship honors an outstanding Hinckley intern serving in Washington, DC.



Hinckley Forums: Spring 2008

January 14 Social Context and Health

Luisa Franzini, Associate Professor, Management, Policy and Community Health Division, The University of Texas School of Public Health

January 17 Legislative Session Preview

Senate Minority Leader Patricia Jones, D-Holladay; Senator Howard Stephenson, R-Draper; House Minority Assistant Whip Carol Spackman Moss, D-Holladay; and Representative James Dunnigan

January 24 Politics and Film: Evolutions of the Contemporary Chinese Cinema

Yunfeng Song, Fulbright Research Visiting Scholar, Department of Film, University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Associate Professor, School of English and International Studies, Beijing Foreign Studies University.

January 25 U.S. – European Union Relations

His Excellency John Bruton, Ambassador of the European Union to the United States.

January 31 Focus the Nation

Co-sponsor - U of U Office of Sustainability
Introductions by U of U President Michael Young
Mayor Ralph Becker, Mayor of Salt Lake City
Mayor Peter Corroon, Mayor of Salt Lake County
Mayor JoAnn Seghini, Mayor of Midvale City
Mayor Dave Sakrison, Mayor of Moab
Dr. Dianne Nielson, Energy Advisor to Governor Jon Huntsman Jr.

February 1 Current Politics of the N-Word

Dr. David Stovall, Professor of race, class and gender in education at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

February 1 Changing Faces of Homelessness

Pamela Atkinson, Community Advocate, Matt Minkevitch, Executive Director of The Road Home, Anne Burkholder, Executive Director of YWCA of Salt Lake City, Former YWCA of Salt Lake City client, and Palmer DePaulis (moderator) Executive Director, Department of Community & Culture.

February 1 Foreign Policy: Judgment to Lead

Dr. Susan Rice, Senior Foreign Policy Advisor to Senator Barack Obama and Former Assistant Secretary of State on African Affairs.

February 5 Super Tuesday Election Special: Live

Broadcast of KSL's The Doug Wright Show
Doug Wright, Host of KSL Newsradio's The Doug Wright Show, and Kirk L. Jowers, Director of Hinckley Institute of Politics.

February 5 Memory, Identity and Nationalism: Armenian Genocide Claims

Gündüz S. Aktan, Member of Turkish Parliament; former Ambassador to Greece and Japan; and former Assistant Deputy Secretary of the Turkish Foreign Ministry. Co-sponsored by the Political Science Department and the Sam Rich Program in International Politics.

February 6 Live RadioWest with Doug Fabrizio:

Analysis Super Tuesday Primaries
Doug Fabrizio, Host of KUER's RadioWest.

February 12 War and Terror: How the New York Times Covers Today's Big Global Conflict

Ethan Bronner, Deputy Foreign Editor for The New York Times.

February 19 Unfinished Business in the Balkans

William D. Montgomery, Columnist; former career diplomat and U.S. Ambassador to Bulgaria, Croatia, and Serbia and Montenegro.

February 20 Congressional Update

Congressman Rob Bishop, R-UT.

February 21 Bringing Health Care into the 21st Century

Secretary Michael O. Leavitt, U.S. Secretary for Health and Human Services.

February 27 American in Danger

Stephen M. Studdert, former senior White House advisor to U.S. Presidents Ford, Reagan, and Bush; Author, American in Danger: What YOU must know to protect yourself. Co-sponsored by Critical Issues Press.

February 28 Understanding the Current Crisis in Pakistan

Ashok Rajput, Professor, Languages and Literature Department, University of Utah; Chaudhry Ali, Retired Judge, L.L.B., L.L.M.
Co-sponsored by The University of Utah Asian Center.

March 13 Redistricting Has the Time for Reform Arrived?

Kirk Jowers, Director Hinckley Institute of Politics; Joe Hatch, Salt Lake County Council Member; Representative Roz McGee, Utah State Representative D-District 28; Bryson Morgan, 2007 Truman Scholar

March 24 The Globalization of Labor in the 21st Century

Lant Pritchett, Professor of the Practice of Economic Development, Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University

March 25 U.S. – France Relations

His Excellency Pierre Vimont, Ambassador to the U.S. for France

March 25 Smart Power: Leadership in Today's World

Joseph Nye, University Distinguished Service Professor, Sultan of Oman Professor of International Relations and former Dean of the Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

March 27 Guantanamo Bay: The Struggle for Human Rights and Justice

James Yee, former U.S. Army Muslim Chaplain in the U.S. military prison camp at Guantanamo Bay; third-generation Chinese American convert to Islam who represented Muslims in the military
Co-Sponsors: Associate Vice President for Diversity, Hinckley Institute of Politics, Utah Minority Bar Association, ASUU, Ethnic Studies Program, Center for Ethnic Student Affairs, Asian Pacific American Studies Program.

March 28 U.S. – Paraguay Relations

His Excellency James Spalding, Ambassador to the U.S. for Paraguay

April 3 Mexico's Perspective on NAFTA

Jeffrey Jones, Mexico's Agriculture Undersecretary

April 4 A Utah Political Perspective: Five Decades of History

Dan Jones, Professor Lecturer, Political Science Department, U of U; President, Dan Jones and Associates, Hinckley Institute of Politics Fellow

April 8 Turkey: A Force of Stability in a Challenging Region

Hakan Tekin, Turkish Consul General in Los Angeles

April 8 A Nonviolent Solution to Terrorism

Bart Gruzalski, author, The Eradication of Terrorism: Why Nonviolent Policy Works and Military Action Fails, On the Buddha and On Gandhi; Professor Emeritus, Northeastern University
Co-sponsored by the Barbara and Norman Tanner Center for Human Rights, Peace and Conflict Studies Program, CSBS, IPIA, Philosophy, and Asian Studies.

April 10 The Primacy of Power: Realism and U.S. Grand Strategies, 1940-present

Jeffery Taliaferro, Associate Professor, International Relations, Security Studies, Tufts University; author, Balancing Risks: Great Power Intervention in the Periphery
Co-sponsored by The John and Marcia Price Lecture Series in American Foreign Policy and the Foreign Policy Studies Club.

April 11 Congressional Update

Congressman Jim Matheson, (D-UT).

April 16 Why Both Big and Small States Need an Effective UN

His Excellency Lars Faaborg-Andersen, Deputy Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations, and during 2005-2006 to the Security Council.

April 17 The Rule of Law

The Honorable Christine M. Durham, Chief Justice, Utah Supreme Court; Dean Hiram Chodosh, J.S. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah; Hal Christensen, attorney; Su Chon, attorney and former president of the Young Lawyer's Section of the Utah State Bar and recipient of the Ray Uno Award; Ted Wilson, (moderator) Executive Director, Utah Rivers Council; former Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics; former Mayor of SLC.

April 18 Hierarchy in International Relations: Rebuilding America's Legitimacy after the Iraq War

David Lake, Professor, Political Science, University of California, San Diego.
Co-sponsored by The John and Marcia Price Lecture Series in American Foreign Policy and the Foreign Policy Studies Club.

Hinckley Forums: Fall 2008

September 2 Careers in the Foreign Service

David W. Simons, U.S. State Department's Regional Human Resources Officer, Frankfurt Regional Service Center, Frankfurt, Germany.

September 9 Will the Democrats or Republicans Best Solve Utah's Priority Problems?

Wayne Holland, Chair, Utah Democratic Party; Stan Lockhart, Chair, Utah Republican Party. Cosponsored by Utah Foundation's The 2008 Utah Priorities.

September 10 Envisioning Jordan River's Future: Canoes, Cafes and Condos?

Gabe Epperson, Planning Director, Envision Utah; Lynn Pett, former Mayor of Murray and Community Relations Manager, Economic Development Corporation of Utah; Lorna Vogt, Open Space Program Manager, Salt Lake County; Ted Wilson, Executive Director, Utah Rivers Council; former Mayor of SL; Alan Matheson (moderator) Executive Director, Envision Utah.

September 12 Protecting America's Most Important Treasure: An Individual's Liberty

Brett Tolman, United States Attorney, Utah, Co-sponsor - The J. Willard Marriott Library's - September Project

September 16 Future of Public Education in Utah

Christine Kearl, Education Director, Governor's Office; Kim R. Birmingham, Past chair, Utah State Board of Education; Andrea Rorrer, Director, Utah Education Policy Center and Assistant Professor of Education Leadership and Policy, University of Utah; Kim Campbell, President, Utah Education Association. Co-sponsored by Utah Foundation's The 2008 Utah Priorities Project

September 18 The Service and Politics of Hunger

Welcome - Kirk Jowers, Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics and Linda Dunn, Director, Bennion Center; Pamela Atkinson, Community Advocate; Glenn Bailey, Executive Director, Crossroads Urban Center; Gina Cornia, Executive Director, Utahns Against Hunger. Presented by - The Bennion Community Service Center

September 22 Industrial Development, Environmental Damage and Human Displacement in India

A conversation with Kanchi Kohli, Indian Activist and Ritwick Dutta, Supreme Court Advocate.

September 23 The Criminalization of Mental Illness

The Honorable Judith Atherton, Judge, Third District Court; Sim Gill, Chief City Prosecutor, Salt Lake City; Brian Miller, Ph.D., Salt Lake County Mental Health Director; Detective Ron Bruno, Crisis Intervention Training, Program Director, Salt Lake Police Department Co-sponsored by NAMI Utah as part of Mental Health Week

September 24 Election Analysis

A live RadioWest broadcast with Doug Fabrizio
Dan Jones, Professor/Lecture, Political Science Department, U of U; President, Dan Jones and Associates; Kirk Jowers, Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics; partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm Caplin & Drysdale; Frank Pignanelli, Foxley and Pignanelli Attorneys-at-Law; Political Columnist, Deseret News; Ted Wilson, Executive Director, Utah Rivers Council; former Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics (1985-2003) Co-sponsored by - University of Utah Alumni Association

September 24 Cleaning Up Utah's Air

The Honorable Olene Walker, Former Governor, State of Utah; Bryce Bird, Planning Branch Manager, Utah Division of Air Quality; Arden Pope, Professor of Economics, BYU. Co-sponsored by Utah Foundation's The 2008 Utah Priorities Project.

September 25 Utah's Energy Future

Raul Deju, President EnergySolutions; Ted Rampton, Government Affairs Manager, Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS) Richard Walje, President, Rocky Mountain Power; Sarah Wright, Executive Director, Utah Clean Energy. Co-sponsored by Utah Foundation as part of the Utah Priorities Project

September 26 Vietnam - U.S. Relations

Ambassador Le Cong Phung, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the United States

September 29 Views on the Current Financial Crisis - Depression, Panic or Bump in the 9:40 Road?

Hans Ehrbar, Economics Department; Lance Girtton, Economics Department; Scott Schaefer, David Eccles School of Business/Finance; Tishun (Thomas) Deng, MS, statistics and MS, economics, University of Utah; Peter Phillips, (Moderator), Economics Department
Co-Sponsored by College of Social and Behavioral Science.

September 29 Empowering the Youth: The Hip Hop Generation and Election 2008

Bakari Kitwana, Artist-in-Residence at the Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture at the University of Chicago, W. D. Samuels, PhD Chair, Depart of English and Ethnic Studies Program, University of Utah.
Co-Sponsored by University of Utah Ethnic Studies Program

September 30 Campaign 2008 - The Race for Attorney General

Mark Shurtleff v. Jean Welch Hill

October 1 B(I)ack to the Future: The Social and Political Significance of Obama's Candidacy

Erika George, Professor, S. J. Quinney College of Law, U of U, Chair, Christopher Parker, PhD, University of Washington University, Seattle.
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October 3 Women: Power, Image and Politics

Allida Black, Research Professor of History and International Affairs, George Washington University.

October 3 Election 2008: Issues of Race and Gender

Irene Ota, College of Social Work, U of U, Paul Liu, PhD Department of Political Science, University of Utah; Edmund Fong, PhD, Department of Political Science, University of Utah.
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October 2 The Exaggerated Reports of Al-Qaeda's Demise

Bruce Hoffman, Professor, Security Studies, Georgetown University

October 6 Representing Utah: Election 2008: A Roundtable Discussion

James Evans, Former Senator, Utah Senate; Charles Henderson, Candidate, Utah House of representatives; Jani Iwamoto, Candidate, Salt Lake County Council; Luz Robles, Candidate Utah Senate, Senator Ross I. Romero, Utah Senate; Representative Jennifer Seelig, Utah House of Representatives; Michael Styles, Program Director, The Utah Martin Luther King Human Rights Commission; Josie Valdez, Candidate for Utah Lt. Governor.
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October 8 Research Political Candidates: Researching What is Out There to Help You Make An Informed and Educated Choice.

Peter Kraus, Associate Librarian J. Willard Marriott Library

October 21 Growth and the Quality of Life

Experts discuss how Utah can preserve its enviable quality of life in the face of rapid population growth. Alan Matheson, Executive Director, Envision Utah; Wilf Sommerkom, Director, Salt Lake City Planning Division; Don Whyte, President Kennecott Land
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October 23 Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, USAF (Ret.)

Induction into the Hinckley Hall of Fame by Jim Hinckley and Kirk Jowers. Tributes By: The Honorable James V. Hansen, Governor Jon M. Huntsman, General Amos A. ("Joe") Amos Jordan, The Honorable Jake Garn, Mr. Jim Hinckley.

October 24 European Union Mini Conference

Adam Luedtke (University of Utah) EU-level immigration policy coordination - What determines national preferences and EU policy outcomes on immigration/asylum?

Phillip J. Bryson (Brigham Young University), John Francis and Leslie Pickering Francis (University of Utah), Hakan Yavuz (University of Utah), Wade Jacoby (Brigham Young University), Nicole Richardt (University of Utah), Giulia Faggio (Brigham Young University), Ray Taras (Tulane University), Marjorie Castle (University of Utah)

Hinckley Forums: Fall 2008, Continued

October 28 Out of the Closet: A Candid, Behind the Scenes Dialogue on Gay Rights

A Live RadioWest Broadcast with Doug Fabrizio, Stephen Clark, former legal director of the ACLU of Utah and currently an attorney associated with Jones Waldo Holbrook & McDonough PC and Paul Mero, President of the Sutherland Institute.

October 30 Uganda - U.S. Relations

His Excellency Perezzi Kamunanwire, Uganda's Ambassador to the United States

October 30 2008 Election

Kirk Jowers, Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics; partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm Caplin & Drysdale.
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November 5 Who Won and Why

A Live RadioWest Broadcast with Doug Fabrizio with Kirk Jowers, Director, Hinckley Institute of Politics; partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm Caplin & Drysdale; Dan Jones, President, Dan Jones and Associates; Professor/Lecturer, Political Science Department, University of Utah

November 19 The Service and Politics of multiculturalism: As a Public Voice in America

Lynette Danley, Assistant Professor, College of Education, University of Utah; Theresa Martinez, Associate Professor, Sociology Department and Assistant Vice President, Academic Outreach, University of Utah; Dhiraj Chand, staff, Ethnic Student Affairs; and Jessica Augustus (moderator)
Presented by The Bennion Community Service Center

November 12 Washington Update

Congressman Jim Matheson (D-UT)

November 21 U.S. – Pakistan Relations

His Excellency Husain Haqqani, Ambassador to the United States for Pakistan

November 21 Was Bork Right? Can Federal Judges Be Neutral?

Judge Thomas Griffith, U.S. Court of Appeals

December 1 Iraq, Afghanistan, Lebanon and Palestine: A new International Architecture for Reconstruction and Conflict Resolution

Joseph P. Saba, Director, Strategic Cooperation and Technical Assistance Middle East and North Africa Region, World Bank Group

December 4 How Americans View Mormons

Dr. Gary Lawrence, California Pollster and author

2008 Hinckley Forum Hosts



Jeremiah Hansen

Jeremiah is currently a Senior at the University of Utah and will graduate summer 2009 with a degree in Political Science and minors in History and International Relations. Jeremiah has completed Hinckley Internships with Congressman Rob Bishop's Washington, DC office in spring, 2008 and with the United States Mission to NATO in spring of 2009, and is currently interning with the U.S. District Court for the District of Utah. Jeremiah plans to begin law school in the Fall of 2010.



Samantha Starr

Sam will graduate in 2009 with a Bachelors in Political Science. She interned with the Democratic National Committee in Washington DC in spring, 2007 and was the Campaign manager for Representative Laura Black's successful bid for the Utah Legislature in fall, 2008. Samantha is currently serving an International Internship with the Victorian State Parliament in Melbourne, Australia. Samantha stated, "Moderating the political forums for the Hinckley Institute was both extremely challenging and incredibly rewarding."



Andrew Jensen

Andrew recently graduated with an Honors Bachelors of Science in Political Science. He completed Hinckley Internships with Utah Attorney General Mark Shurtleff and Chairman Tom Lantos of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. Andrew has published scholarly articles identifying solutions to the Iranian nuclear weapons puzzle and democracy promotion as a counterterrorism strategy in the *Hinckley Journal* and the *G8 Magazine*. He is currently working as Executive Director for the Utah Student Association.



Randi Olsen

Randi is a senior at the University of Utah majoring in Business Marketing. She served an internship with Policy Impact Communications in Washington, D.C. during Fall semester, 2007. During her internship, Randi "learned the fundamentals of lobbying in Washington, DC." Reflecting upon hosting forums, Randi stated, "it was a privilege to be a host for the weekly forums; hosting was a great way to meet local and national politicians and listen to their views on current politics."

Hinckley Institute Alumni Spotlights



Justin Brown

Justin Brown was honorably discharged from the United States Navy in June 2004. He did one deployment to Operation Southern Watch (the southern no fly zone in Iraq) and two deployments to Operation Iraqi Freedom. Upon his return to Utah, Justin enrolled in school and balanced running Utah's largest Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), a presidential internship at the U, and 15-21 credit hours a semester. Justin officially graduated in summer 2007 with a B.S. in Political Science and a B.S. in Sociology. He is a proud member of the U's prestigious Beehive Honor Society and his favorite instructors are Theresa Martinez, Luke Garrott, Dan Jones, and Mark Matheson.

Three years after his return from the Middle-East, Justin closed out his undergraduate career as a Hinckley Intern for the House Committee on Foreign Affairs under recently deceased Chairman Tom Lantos. Justin said, "All things considered it may have been the best decision of my career. Without the Hinckley I would never have come to D.C. and eased into great positions and opportunities so easily. The Hinckley internship gave me a network and the tools necessary for success in this town." Following Justin's internship he accepted a staff position with the Philadelphian Admiral turned Congressman, Joe Sestak. A short time later he accepted another position with the Veterans of Foreign Wars as a veteran's legislative advocate.

Today, Justin can be found in Washington D.C. advocating on behalf of the VFW's 2.3 million members. The majority of his time is spent in the halls of Congress, and with Governmental Departments, educating staff on veterans' issues. In particular, Justin concentrates on issues facing service members from the post 9/11 era. Justin testified before Congress in February of this year and has submitted testimony for the record on two other occasions. The issue Justin is most directly dealing with today is advocating for an increase in educational benefits for service members, particularly the GI-Bill. Justin was recently married, and in his spare time he can be found with his lovely wife Brandi, and their beautiful daughter Isabella.



Sanja Tatic Kelly

Sanja Tatic Kelly graduated from the University of Utah in 2001 with degrees in political science and psychology. An internship through the Hinckley Institute of Politics, coupled with her experience in Kotwara, India, played an important role in her decision to pursue a career in the non-profit sector. Inspired and motivated, Sanja moved to New York to begin work on her master's degree in international relations at Columbia University, where she met her future husband Jason. They got married in the beautiful medieval city of Dubrovnik on the Adriatic coast in Croatia.

After graduating from Columbia, Sanja was recruited by Freedom House, a nongovernmental organization that supports democracy and human rights around the world. Over the last four years, she has moved up the ranks and is now a senior researcher and the managing editor for two international, multi-million dollar projects that examine democratic governance and the rights of women in the Middle East. In this capacity, she manages a team of over 50 consultants and analysts, and directs research, fundraising, writing, and administrative operations for the projects. She has edited two books: *Countries and the Crossroads* (Rowman & Littlefield, September 2007) and *Women's Rights in the Middle East and North Africa* (Rowman & Littlefield, forthcoming 2009).

Being born and raised in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Sanja also serves as Freedom House's spokesperson on issues of political development in the Balkans. She is frequently interviewed by the media and her commentary has appeared on the BCC, CNN, NBC, Radio Free Europe, and other television and radio outlets. Sanja travels extensively, and in the last four years alone has visited over 15 countries ranging from Kuwait and Jordan to Kenya and Cambodia. She has just returned from her second trip to India, where she stayed with the friends she met while traveling with the Hinckley Institute's Kotwara group—they had a great time reminiscing about the fun, old times.



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Kirk L. Jowers - Director

Kirk L. Jowers is the Director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics, an Associate Director of the Institute of Public and International Affairs, an Associate Professor at the University of Utah, and the 2007 recipient of the University of Utah's Par Excellence Award. He also is a partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm Caplin & Drysdale, Vice and Acting Chairman of the Governor's Commission on Strengthening Utah's Democracy, and a Member of the Utah Constitutional Revision Commission. Mr. Jowers has provided legal and political advice to state and national political parties, more than 30 congressional and gubernatorial candidates, Fortune 500 corporations, non-profit organizations, and three presidential campaigns. Described by the Salt Lake Tribune as the "most quoted man in Utah," he is a frequent media commentator and lecturer on politics, campaign finance laws, government ethics, and the First Amendment and is the author of several publications. He is a graduate of the University of Utah and Harvard Law School. He is married to Kristen Jowers and has five children.



Jayne H. Nelson - Assistant Director

Jayne is the Assistant Director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics where she manages the Hinckley Institute office, the Hinckley Forums program – planning more than 70 Hinckley Forums each year, the Huntsman Seminar, and the finances of the institute. She has worked at the Hinckley Institute since 1988. She is married to Jerry Nelson and has three children and eight grandchildren.



Courtney H. McBeth – Intern Manager

Courtney has been the Intern Manager of the Hinckley Institute of Politics since 2003 where she manages the international and Washington, D.C. intern programs. Ms. McBeth is also a Clinical Instructor in the Political Science Department and oversees the academics of the Institute. She graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. in Political Science and M.S. in Education from the University of Utah and interned for University of Utah President Bernie Machen. Ms. McBeth also was a member and captain of the University of Utah Women's Soccer Team. She is married to Mitch McBeth and has two sons, Sammy and Max.



Amy Code – Political Programs Coordinator

Amy Code is the Political Programs Coordinator for the Hinckley Institute of Politics. She graduated from the University of Utah, majoring in Political Science. While a student at the University of Utah she interned with the Utah State Legislature. Some of her major responsibilities at the Hinckley Institute include management of the legislative and local internship programs and administration of the campaign management minor.



Taylor D. Morgan - Political Programs Coordinator

Taylor recently joined the Hinckley Institute of Politics as Political Programs Coordinator. Before joining the Hinckley Institute, Taylor served as a majority staff member with the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Foreign Affairs in Washington, DC. Taylor graduated from the University of Utah with Bachelor of Science Degrees in Political Science and International Studies. While a student at the University of Utah, he served as Director of Government Relations for the Associated Students of the University of Utah, Director of Student Advocacy for the Utah Student Association, and as a Hinckley intern with the House Committee on Foreign Affairs in Washington, DC. Taylor is currently pursuing a Master of International Affairs and Global Enterprise Degree at the University of Utah.

Hinckley Institute of Politics Student Staff



Jonny Spendlove – Office Assistant

Jonny began working at the Hinckley Institute in August, 2007. In 2009, Jonny will graduate with Honors Degrees in English and Economics. He completed Hinckley Internships with the Republican Governors Association in Washington, DC in the spring of 2007, and with Maitri in India in summer 2008. Jonny plans to begin law school in 2009.



Kate Mecham – Office Assistant

Kate began working at the Hinckley Institute in August, 2007. Kate will graduate with an undergraduate degree in Political Science with a certificate in International Relations and minors in French and Economics in 2009. She completed a Hinckley internship in the summer of 2007 with Policy Impact Communications in Washington, DC. Kate is currently interning with the Australian Parliament in Melbourne, Australia.



Marko Mijic - Office Assistant

Marko Mijic will graduate in 2009 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Behavioral Science and Health. He completed a Hinckley Internship with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the summer of 2008. He worked on the first-of-its-kind national electronic health records (EHR) demonstration project in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Following his graduation, Marko plans to move to Washington, DC to begin graduate studies at American University.



Ben Dailey - Office Assistant

Ben is a recent transfer student to the University of Utah and is pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in International Studies. As an undergraduate, he has been extensively involved with international humanitarian work throughout Africa and Latin America. Ben is currently serving as a Hinckley intern with the House Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight in Washington, DC. Ben plans to graduate and begin law school in 2010.

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