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NEWS AND EVENTS

Student News

Political Science PhD Candidate Natascha van der Zwan Wins Aspen Institute Award



On October 6, the Aspen Institute named **Natascha van der Zwan**, a PhD candidate in Political Science at The New School for Social Research, as a winner of the 2010 Shared Capitalism Dissertation Proposal Award. The award highlights doctoral work focusing on employee ownership. The institute praised van der Zwan's work, which explores American labor unions' use of "employee ownership and shareholder activism to challenge the pursuit of shareholder value maximization at the expense of jobs and compensation." Van der Zwan will receive a grant and will be honored at the Second Aspen in New York Business and Society Annual Forum on October 26–27, 2010.

Faculty News

Director of the Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis, Teresa Ghilarducci, speaks on Capitol Hill



On Monday, October 18, **Teresa Ghilarducci**, Director of the Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis at The New School for Social Research, traveled to Capitol Hill to brief congressional staff members and representatives on effective tax policy for retirement savings. Professor Ghilarducci will focus her comments on Guaranteed Retirement Accounts, a retirement reform proposal she developed to ensure universal retirement support and at the same time promote economic growth.

The meeting was organized to advise President Obama's National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform in their effort to address national policy goals through budget reform. Ghilarducci is joined by **David Walker**, president and founder of the Comeback America Initiative; **Eric Toder**, fellow at the Urban Institute; and **Lawrence Mishel**, president of Economic Policy Institute. Ghilarducci is a nationally renowned expert on retirement financing. She recently appeared on [CBS's *Evening News*](#).

**Assistant Professor of Economics Sanjay Reddy
receives Grant from the Institute of New
Economic Thinking**



NSSR Economics faculty **Sanjay Reddy** was awarded a grant by the Institute for New Economic Thinking to write a book making a broad case for the resurrection of normative reasoning in economics.

In the face of arguably the worst economic crisis the world has faced, INET's Inaugural Grant Program has been designed to harness the new economic thinking recognized as crucial to effecting change. The program was launched during the summer of 2010 and received more than 500 applications from all over the world, with 31 grants awarded for a total of \$3.8 million over three years.

The Institute is committed to supporting the next generation of economists and scholars in related fields who are rethinking economics for the 21st century. Project topics include political economy, inequality, theories of finance, empirical macroeconomics, human capital and growth, economic history, and theories of networks and systems.

NSSR Events

NSSR Philosophy Workshops

Thursdays 6:00 – 8:00 pm

December 2nd: Cora Diamond, "Murdoch off the Map, or Taking Empiricism Back from the Empiricists"

December 9th: Joe Tinguely, "A Plea for Intolerance: A Re-reading of Kant's Critique of Judgment."

Abstract: Common readings of Kant's Critique of Judgment obscure the book's relevance as grounded in a mundane but intractable problem: the set of things for which we expect agreement from others is larger than the set of things we can prove. In short, there is a gap between discursivity and normativity. In this talk Tinguely offers a way to read the third critique as offering a response to this problem by articulating an alternative and richer form of rationality exemplified in "quarreling". Reconstructing how quarrels are supposed to work shows how aesthetic judgments, the claims of taste, extend beyond questions of beauty without slipping into a romantic or speculative metaphysics. Bad jokes and the attempt to explain them ensue.

December 16th: Sarah Scott, "The Moral Significance of the Coincidence of Opposites in Martin Buber and Nicholas of Cusa."

Abstract: Martin Buber used the phrase "coincidence of opposites" to describe what happens in dialogic or I-Thou relations. His newly uncovered dissertation shows that this

phrase comes from his early study of Nicholas of Cusa. Since the coincidence of opposites appears to reject the law of non-contradiction, both thinkers are often dismissed as mystics, and their contributions to ethics are overlooked. To address this Scott first sees which of Aristotle's categories of opposition Cusa and Buber's coincidence falls under to show that this coincidence is consistent with standard methods of argumentation. She then turns to Mathew Bagger's study of paradox to investigate what moral work, or "therapy," is done by this coincidence. This shows that the coincidence of opposites is less a metaphysical theory than a cognitive device designed to generate an ethical transformation in which the subject is moved to adopt an intersubjective perspective and give up relations of domination.

Location: 6 E 16th Street, Room 1103

Admission: Free, no tickets or reservations required

Migration Works in Progress Series

Friday, December 3rd 2010, 3:30 – 5:00 pm

Andreas Kalyvas, "The Stateless Citizen: Irregular Migration and Cosmopolitan Citizenship"

Location: 6 E 16th Street, Room 716

Admission: Free, no tickets or reservations required

Hans Speier Lecture: Yoav Peled

Tuesday, December 7th 2010, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

This year's Hans Speier Professor, **Yoav Peled**, presents his paper, "War Crimes, Proportionality and the 'Enlightened Public' In Israel." The presentation is moderated by NSSR sociology professor **Andrew Arato**.

Yoav Peled is professor of Political Science at Tel Aviv University. He received his PhD in political science from UCLA in 1982 and LLB (Bachelor of Laws) from Tel Aviv University in 2009. His work has dealt with citizenship and ethnic politics in Israel and with the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He co-authored the book *Being Israeli: the Dynamics of Multiple Citizenship*, which won the Albert Hourani Prize of the Middle East Studies Association of North America for best book in Middle East studies in 2002. Peled has edited or co-edited five collections of essays; his latest collection is *Democratic Citizenship and War*. Peled's articles have appeared in *The American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Constellations*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *Citizenship Studies*, and other major journals. He is co-editor in chief of *The Public Sphere: Tel Aviv Journal of Political Science* (in Hebrew).

Location: 6 E 16th Street, Room 1103

Admission: Free, no tickets or reservations required

Politics Lecture: Rodney Hall

Tuesday, December 7th 2010, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Rodney Hall, University Lecturer in International Political Economy, Oxford University, will speak on

“The 'Social Lives' of Money and Global Finance.”

Rodney Hall's research interests include the study of the mechanisms of global financial governance in the developing and developed worlds, the construction and evolution of the international monetary system and monetary institutions, the social construction of economic theory and systems, the mechanisms of private and public global governance, and international relations theory. Dr Hall's most recent book is entitled *Central Banking as Global Governance: Constructing Financial Credibility* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008). His previous books include *National Collective Identity: Social Constructs and International Systems* (Columbia University Press, 1999) and *The Emergence of Private Authority in Global Governance*; co-edited with Thomas J. Biersteker, (Cambridge University Press, 2002).

Location: 80 5th Avenue, Room 529

Admission: Free, no tickets or reservations required

Athletic Events through New School Recreation

On December 8th New School Recreation holds the men's soccer championship at McBurney YMCA, 7:40 pm

The final indoor rock climbing event for the year takes place on Friday, December 10th from 6:00 – 9:00 pm at Brooklyn Boulders. Sign up for rock climbing with the Recreation office and meet at 5 W 13th Street at 5:30 pm.

Wittgenstein Workshop

Friday, December 10th 2010, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Chantal Bax of John's Hopkins University and the New School for Social Research will present a paper entitled "Wittgenstein on community in *On Certainty*."

Abstract: While Wittgenstein's very last writings are primarily known for their epistemological insights, *On Certainty* can also be said to contain an account of what it means to become and be a member of a community. It addresses at least two issues pertaining to socio-cultural membership, reflecting the two senses in which Wittgenstein finds that certainties are not purely individual possessions or accomplishments. Certainties, first of all, play the role that they do because they stand fast, not just for the individual, but for the entire community. As a result, they serve to distinguish those belonging from those not belonging to the community. Moreover, the individual can not just be said to share his or her certainties with other members of the community, she also owes them to her fellow men. What stands fast for someone is the result of his or her upbringing within a particular culture and thus by no means a matter of individual achievement or choice.

In this paper Bax will discuss the account of community or of social in- and exclusion that *On Certainty* offers. At first sight this account may seem to be outright conservative: some remarks suggest that certainties are transmitted to the novice by nothing other than indoctrination, leaving full-fledged members of the community with little reason to welcome changes in or deviations from their worldview. By examining Wittgenstein's remarks on the processes by means of which the child is initiated into the community

and analyzing the kind of unity in which he takes these processes to result, she will argue that conservative readings of *On Certainty* are incorrect. Wittgenstein does not present community as a static and uniform totality to which all things singular or subjective are ultimately subservient.

Location: 80 5th Avenue, Room 529

Admission: Free, no tickets or reservations required

Economics Department Seminar

Tuesday, December 14th 2010, 4:00 – 5:45 pm

Deepankar Basu, UMASS Amherst, and **Duncan Foley**, NSSR, will give a talk on “The Disconnection Between Aggregate Demand and Employment.”

Location: 6 E 16th Street, Room 1009

Admission: Free, no tickets or reservations required

The Janey Program Annual Workshop Series

The Janey Program at the NSSR supports fellowships for students from Latin America and the Caribbean who are pursuing graduate studies at the school, summer fellowships for fieldwork and research in Latin America and the Caribbean, an annual conference, lectures, and occasional visits to The New School by scholars from Latin America. The program’s ongoing Latin America: History, Economy, and Culture workshop provides an

interdisciplinary space for students and faculty from the Inter-University Doctoral Consortium, as well as visiting scholars, to present and discuss their ongoing research. The workshop meets every month at The New School for Social Research.

This fall, you can attend Janey Program Workshops with summer fellowship awardees reporting on their research on the following dates:

Dec. 3rd
Feb. 11th
Mar. 4th
Apr. 8th
May 6th

All sessions of the Janey Workshop will take place from 12:00 – 2:00 in the conference room on the 5th floor of 80 5th Ave.



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DEADLINES

Fee Board Call for Submissions

It's Fee Board time! The Fee Board offers anyone who participated in academic conferences during the summer or fall semester of 2010 limited reimbursement for the costs incurred (some registration fees and some travel & accommodation expenses). The deadline for submission this semester will be Monday, December 6 at 5pm.

If you wish to be reimbursed, please read and follow these directions carefully.

The Fee Board is allocated a limited amount of funds from the Graduate Faculty Student Senate each year. They consider reimbursing conference registration fees, as well as legitimate travel and accommodation expenses. In order to be considered for reimbursement, we will need you to submit the following documents:

1. A completed Fee Board Application briefly summarizing the expenses for which you are seeking reimbursement.
2. Original ITEMIZED receipts, boarding passes, travel ticket stubs, etc. Credit card statements are not sufficient since they do not include an itemized account of what is to be reimbursed. Hotel bills and conference registration receipts must include the nature of each charge. While priority will be given to itemized receipts, if one cannot be provided, please make your best effort to provide a substitute (a print-out of the conference home page including fees, etc.).

3. A copy of the conference program indicating when and where you presented a paper, and that you represented the New School while doing so.

When you have assembled these documents, submit them to the Office of Academic Affairs (Monday - Friday, 10-6pm). The office is located at 6 East 16th Street room 1007D. The deadline for submissions is Monday, December 6 by 5pm.

****NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED****

****IF YOU ARE MAILING YOUR APPLICATION, IT MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, DECEMBER 6****

The Fee Board convenes to assess each submission. Subsequent to this meeting, each request for reimbursement will be approved by Academic Affairs and forwarded to the New School University Accounting department for processing. Successful applicants should receive checks by mail by the beginning of January – though the Fee Board cannot guarantee this date. No further notification will be sent to students who receive or do not receive reimbursement. Copies of all reimbursements and unused original receipts will be held in the Office of Academic Affairs.

For questions about the Fee Board, please contact your department Fee Board representative:

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Transregional Center for Democratic Studies: Democracy and Diversity Summer Institute July 2011

TCDS is pleased to announce the 20th annual Democracy & Diversity Summer Institute in Wroclaw, Poland. This intensive program of graduate-level study in society, culture and politics in the beautiful and booming city of Wroclaw will be held July 8-24, 2011.

Applications and detailed program information, including courses, program fees, study tours, etc., will be available in early 2011. In the meantime, please visit our website www.newschool.edu/tcds or email TCDS@newschool.edu for information and inquiries.



EXTERNAL FUNDING AND CAREER SERVICES

The Office of Academic Affairs provides external funding and scholarships information and career guidance to New School for Social Research students. Services include: (1) providing students with scholarships and funding information; (2) assisting NSSR students with CV, cover letter and resume writing, interviewing skills, and job search strategies; (3) workshops and information sessions on various topics including: CV workshops (every month), SPIN database tutorial (twice a semester), Grant Writing workshop, Fulbright workshop, and information sessions on Academic and Non-Academic Careers in Social Sciences.

Career Services Office Hours

Individual appointments can be made Monday through Friday by appointment.

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Chronicle of Higher Education

The Chronicle of Higher Education, a great source of news, information, and job postings for college and university faculty members and administrators, is available for review and reading in the Office of Academic Affairs.

New Jobs and Data Resource: Uniworld Online

Divisions across the New School combined forces and resources to purchase a subscription to Uniworld Online www.uniworldbp.com. This service is a directory of companies' worldwide bases of operation. It is a unique resource that has proven beneficial for students searching for international and domestic employment and internships.

Uniworld Online consists of two directories, American Firms Operating in Foreign Countries and Foreign Firms Operating in the United States. The information allows you to pinpoint companies of interest through a variety of search criteria. Each listing provides detailed contact information, a link to the company website, and details regarding the company career postings. The database is searchable by country, state, region, keyword, industry sectors [NAICS codes], radius, zip codes, postal codes, company employees and company revenue. We cover a very large geographic area with 200 countries represented. The search information can also be downloaded into Excel for further sorting.

Uniworld is an extremely powerful resource to identify foreign and domestic companies of interest for students

and staff for research purposes as well as for locating employment opportunities. Uniworld Online offers a vastly expanded amount of data, IP-access, powerful search features, unlimited simultaneous users, and the timeliness of daily updates.

The URL is:

<https://login.libproxy.newschool.edu/login?url=http://www.uniworldbp.com/search.php>

The link is also added to the library's A-Z list of Electronic Resources:

<http://library.newschool.edu/eresources/listbyletter.php?letter=U>

Workshops

Negotiating your Compensation Package

Thursday, December 2nd 2010, 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Learn how to prepare for and what to consider in the negotiation process.

Location: 6 East 16th Street, 10th floor, room 1005

Funding Opportunities

Boren Awards for International Study

Boren Fellowships, administered by NSEP (National Security Education Program), provide up to \$30,000 to graduate students who want to add an international and language component to their education through area study and language study in countries deemed critical to U.S. interests. Fellowships are awarded to graduate students from disciplines such as urban affairs, political science, international affairs, communications, language studies, history, environmental studies, and more.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens who are currently enrolled, or who will be enrolled, in accredited U.S. graduate schools at the time the fellowship begins and must remain enrolled for the duration of the fellowship.

The application deadline is Thursday, January 27, 2011. For information, Visit the [Boren Fellowship web page](#).



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