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Passion with a purpose

Forged by his foster childhood, ASU political science alumnus and Oxford scholar Frank Smith III wants to pave a better path for others through public service career.

A discussion with fellow students during Smith's freshman year led to him testifying on behalf of an Arizona state bill to abolish tuition fees for former foster children. The bill passed, and the experience flipped a switch.

"When I had the opportunity to go down to the state Legislature, I saw that I enjoyed being in the policy discussions and really being a part of the change, as opposed to being on the outside," Smith says. "I really wanted to be on the inside, where the action was."

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ASU professors 'take aim' at attack advertising

SPGS Foundation Professors Kim Fridkin and Patrick Kenney's new book "[Taking Aim at Attack Advertising](#)" examines negative political ads through surveys, experiments, facial expression analysis, content analyses and focus groups.

Fridkin, who is part of the School of Politics and Global Studies, spoke to ASU Now about why it is increasingly important to understand how attack advertising works and what to expect as we head into the 2020 elections:

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Mia Armstrong receives the Dean's Medal for the School of Politics and Global Studies

Congrats to Mia Armstrong for receiving the Dean's Medal for the School of Politics and Global

Studies for spring 2019!

“Demonstrating initiative is one of Mia’s trademarks, particularly in the areas of leadership and public service,” said Richard Herrera, an associate professor at SPGS and the associate director of undergraduate studies.

Learn more about Armstrong and the other Dean’s Medalists from The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences:

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Cybersecurity expert joins ASU as professor of practice

Peter W. Singer, a new professor of practice in the School of Politics and Global Studies, was in Tempe this semester to begin filming for a course within Arizona State University’s global security online master’s degree program.

“Peter Singer brings extraordinary insight and expertise on the changing character of war and conflict to the online MA in global security and will be a key contributor to our efforts to link ASU with major thought leaders impacting security policy and practice,” said Daniel Rothenberg, professor of practice in the School of Politics and Global Studies, co-director of the Center on the Future of War, and a senior fellow at New America.

[Read more and watch the video featuring Singer.](#)

Faculty News

- University Professor Craig Calhoun has been named Chair of the Advisory Board of the [Weatherhead Center for International Affairs](#) at Harvard University.
- The Center on the Future of War, co-directed by SPGS faculty Peter L Bergen and Daniel Rothenberg, held its fifth annual conference, the Future Security Forum [which included these highlights](#).
- [The World Policy Review featured an article](#) by Professor of Practice Candace Rondeaux on the rising threat of ISIS influence and violent extremism in South Asia after the Sri Lanka Easter bombings.
- Professor of Practice Bob Schmidle is presenting a paper in Paris at the Second Hinge Epistemology Conference on Wittgenstein's notion of hinges as applied to problems in moral epistemology on July 2nd, 2019.
- University Professor Craig Calhoun presented a paper: "Will the Transformation of Work Bring an End to Labor (or Capitalism)?" at the [Capitalism and Social Theory conference](#) held at the University of Chicago, in Chicago, on April 13, 2019
- On May 14-15 Professor of Practice Candace Rondeaux was a featured panelist at a high-level Purdue University symposium on "[Ethics, Technology, and the Future of War and Security](#)," hosted by former Senator Mitch Daniels with a keynote by Director of National Intelligence Dan Coats.
- SPGS doctoral student Peyman Asadzade published an article in the *Journal of Global Security Studies* titled "[Faith or Ideology? Religiosity, Political Islam, and Anti-Americanism in Iran](#)".
- Professor of Practice Bob Schmidle is speaking in Vienna, Austria on June 26th, 2019 at the 4th Viennese Conference on Strategy on "Motivations, Intentionality and Strategic Decision-Making."
- On May 16 Professor of Practice Candace Rondeaux represented the Center on the Future of War at a [panel on proxy warfare](#) sponsored by the Hudson Institute in Washington, DC.
- On 5 April, Professor of Practice Bob Schmidle was one of four people invited to present relevant research to professors and students at the "Workshop on Psychology, Neuroscience and Ethics" at the United States Naval Academy.
- The Peace Science Society (International) has chosen "[Informally Governing Information: How Criminal Rivalry leads to Violence against the Press in Mexico](#)," by Bradley E. Holland and Viridiana Rios, as the recipient of the 2019 Peace Science Society Will H. Moore III Prize, an award named after the ASU professor.

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