

## Where Are They Now? Professor Robert Grady



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Professor Robert Grady earned his Ph.D. at Vanderbilt University and began teaching at EMU in 1971. During his 33-year tenure in the Political Science Department, Professor Grady's undergraduate courses included *American Government*, *American Political Theory*, *Democracy and Power*, and *Intro to Political Thought*.

Professor Grady retired in August 2004. Following his retirement, he and his wife, Debbie, moved to North Carolina. Since the move, Professor Grady has enjoyed spending time volunteering with the Historic Wilmington Foundation in several capacities, including as host of the Historic Homes Tour during the Azalea Festival in the summer.

Still a member of the American Political Science Association, Professor Grady coauthored a comparative politics textbook revision that was published in 2006. Returning to his "academic roots," Professor Grady also participated in the Fourth Symposium on Shipbuilding and Ships on the Thames at the Docklands Museum, London, in 2009. He plans on attending the next symposium, scheduled for 2015.

Some of Professor Grady's fondest memories of teaching at EMU include impersonating John Locke in a mock debate and organizing the undergraduate symposium.

## Students Visit Washington, DC

In March 2013, students of the *Washington, DC: Rhetoric and Reality* course traveled to the nation's capital with Dr. Jeffrey Bernstein. The class visited several famous memorials, the Supreme Court, and the White House. Students also sat in on a congressional session in which they were able to witness several "big hitters," including Senators John McCain, Harry Reid, and Marco Rubio, in action on the Senate floor.

The students also met with Thomas E. Mann, co-author of the book *It's Even Worse Than it Looks: How the American Constitutional System Collided with the New Politics of Extremism*. The students read Mann's book in preparation for their trip to DC.



Students in front of the White House

## Mock Trial

On February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013, EMU won the AMTA regional tournament. This victory capped a two-year run that placed EMU in the top three at 9 different tournaments. Individual students have also won numerous top-ten attorney and witness awards. This spring the team says goodbye to three veteran seniors, all of whom are off to law school. Overall, the 2012-2013 team is among the most successful in EMU history.

**First Place:** AMTA Regional at Washington and Jefferson University; Mumbo Jumbo at Tufts University

**Second Place:** Hoosier Hoedown in Indianapolis

**Third Place:** Scarlet and Gray in Columbus, Ohio; Great Lakes at Eastern Michigan University

**Eight and Ninth Place:** Polar Bear at Ohio Northern



Mock Trial team at Washington and Jefferson University

## Dr. Richard Stahler-Sholk to Conduct Research in Mexico

Professor Richard Stahler-Sholk has been awarded a sabbatical research leave to spend 2013-2014 in Chiapas, Mexico. His research will compare the Zapatista rebellion of Maya peasants since 1994 with other indigenous autonomy movements, focusing on variation in social movement strategies of interaction with the government. This work builds on his interest in social movements and his recent book coedited with Bruno Baronnet and Mariana Mora Bayo, "*Luchas muy otras*": *Zapatismo y autonomía en las comunidades indígenas de Chiapas* [Very Alternative Forms of Struggle: The Zapatista Movement and Autonomy in the Indigenous Communities of Chiapas]. He will have a research affiliation with two Mexican social science centers.



Dr. Stahler-Sholk in Chiapas, Mexico

## Congratulations to 2013-2014 Department Scholarship Winners

**Study Abroad:** Kaitlyn Dugas, Adam Malinowski, Rebecca Thomas

**David Hortin Public Law Scholarship:** John Q. Adams

**Richard Fierens Memorial Scholarship:** Kaitlyn Dugas

**James H. Brickley Scholarship:** Ashley Alele

**Fr. O'Connor Scholarship for Civic Engagement:** Trevis Harrold

**Undergraduate Symposium Fellow:** Emma Fitzhugh

**Joseph Ohren Student Internship Award:** Trevis Harrold

**Robert O. McWilliams Scholarship:** Antonino Monea



Study Abroad Scholarship Recipients (from left to right): Kaitlyn Dugas, Adam Malinowski, Rebecca Thomas

## Students of the Year

**Interns of the Year:** Brittany Beaster,

Antonino Monea, Hillary Schmitz

**International Affairs:** Kaitlyn Hill,

Joshua Hurst

**Political Science:** Jeffrey Howlett,

Vincent Malainy

**Public Administration:** Deborah Zolikoff

**Public Law & Government:** Rachel Heatley

**Public Safety Administration:** Shawn Adams

## Alumni News

- **Katie Collins** (International Affairs, '10) has completed her Peace Corps deployment in Ukraine. In the fall, she will begin a dual degree in public policy and East European Studies at the University of Michigan. Collins is also a winner of the highly selective Thomas R. Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship, which is offered through the Woodrow Wilson Foundation.
- **James (Cal) Davenport** (Political Science, '12) has been accepted to the Ph.D. program in political science at the University of Chicago and will begin his course work in fall 2013.
- **Erin (Sergison) Krcatovich** (Political Science, '06) recently defended her doctoral dissertation in political science at Michigan State University. She will begin a position this fall as Assistant Professor of Political Science at Indiana University-South Bend.
- **Robin Miller** (Public Administration, '09) will be leaving California to pursue a dual MBA/MS in Environmental Science and Policy at Clark University in Massachusetts.

## Faculty News

**Dr. Jeffrey Bernstein** has a coauthored book chapter forthcoming in an edited volume on metacognition. The chapter is titled "The Steps of the Ladder Keep Going Up": A Case Study of *Hevruta* as Reflective Pedagogy in Two Universities." He will travel to Santiago, Chile this September to give a keynote address at a scholarship of teaching and learning conference, and to work on building capacity for this work at the Universidad Tecnológica de Chile.

**Dr. Judith Kullberg** and **Dr. Richard Stahler-Sholk** presented a research paper, "Lenin Lives! Revolutionary Legacies and Resistance to Liberal Democracy in Russia and Cuba," in April at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association.

**Dr. Joanna Vecchiarelli Scott** has revised *Love and Saint Augustine* so that an updated version of the book could be published in Korean.

## 2013 Undergraduate Symposium

The Political Science Department had eighteen student presenters at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Undergraduate Symposium in March. Papers covered a variety of topics related to American politics, public policy, law, and international relations.

Picture: Political science student presenters in the session on Foreign Policy with faculty sponsor Judith Kullberg

