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1. Institute of Governmental Affairs Mission Statement

The Institute of Governmental Affairs (IGA) supports social science research, graduate student training, public affairs programming, and outreach activities at UC Davis. IGA houses a number of formal research programs and enjoys the participation of more than sixty faculty from approximately ten campus departments. IGA also serves as a campus home for visiting scholars from around the world. IGA staff members provide specialized services in grant advising, preparation, and administration; library and data services; social science computing, programming, and statistical consulting; event coordination; and much more.

2. Brief Recap of 2006-07 Accomplishments

This report provides information on the programs and activities of the institute for the 2006-07 academic year. Highlights included the following:

- The institute absorbed the activities of the former Agricultural History Center (which was disestablished as an ORU). This merger included transfer to IGA of the administration of the systemwide All-UC Group in Economic History.

- The Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy, headed by Alan M. Taylor (Economics), was launched as a new IGA research program. Among its many activities was the submission of a large proposal to NSF’s new Partnerships for International Research and Education (PIRE) graduate training program, which entailed significant staff support from IGA.

- IGA and its research programs sponsored or cosponsored an extensive calendar of events focused on topics of scholarly importance and general interest in the social sciences. These included a well-attended series of public lectures and panel discussions on various aspects of the situation in the Middle East, as well as scholarly conferences on such topics as The Effects of Globalization on Domestic Markets, Re-Opening the Black Box of War, Gender over the Life-Cycle, and New Comparative Economic History: A Conference in Honor of Peter Lindert.

- The highly successful IGA Junior Faculty Research program entered its tenth year. As of 2006-07, each dollar invested in the program has yielded nearly nine more dollars in support of faculty research.

- IGA collaborated with several social science departments to make its fourth round of Dissertation Improvement Awards.

- During fiscal year 2006-07 IGA submitted 28 contract and grant applications on behalf of faculty and graduate students in the social sciences. Fifteen projects received new funding totaling $1,931,101.

- The IGA Library & Data Archive continued to support social science research on the UC Davis campus through its specialized collections and services. In 2006-07 alone, IGA’s membership to the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) saved campus users approximately $140,000.

- The Social Science Data Service continued to provide computing and consulting support to quantitative social scientists and was able to secure funds for a major equipment upgrade from the Division of Social Sciences.

IGA is undergoing a periodic (6-year) review in 2007-08 and the compilation of the 6-year review document (available on the IGA Web site at www.iga.ucdavis.edu/Publications/IGA_Six-Year_Review.pdf) was a primary activity for IGA staff in the latter part of the 2006-07 academic year.
3. Research Programs

**Institute Research Programs**

**Agricultural History Center**

At the conclusion of its last periodic review, the decision was made to disestablish the Agricultural History Center as an organized research unit on the UC Davis campus, and IGA was charged with absorbing its activities. This consolidation was essentially complete by the end of the 2006-07 academic year. The center vacated its space in the Social Sciences/Humanities building and longtime staff member Mary Davis was absorbed by the institute and now serves as IGA’s event planner while continuing to administer the All-UC Group in Economic History. The research activities of the center’s former director, Peter Lindert (Economics), were absorbed into the newly formed Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy.

**Center for International Data**

The Center for International Data (CID) was established in the fall of 1999 under the leadership of Professor Robert Feenstra (Economics). The center is housed at the Institute of Governmental Affairs and the Economics Department. The purpose of this center is to collect, enhance, create, and disseminate international economic data. Data are available for both online and offline distribution, as described at cid.econ.ucdavis.edu or www.internationaldata.org. This center’s focus fits well with campus research strengths and is now among the most prominent sources of international economic data in the world.

Since its inception, the center has made impressive progress on five projects.

**U.S. Import and Export Data:** The Center distributes a large amount of U.S. trade data directly via the Web. These data provide disaggregate trade statistics for 1972 through 2001 and are in the process of being updated to 2006. These data have been assembled by Robert Feenstra under various research grants. A great deal of effort has gone into correcting errors in the original data obtained from the U.S. government and presenting it in user-friendly formats. These datasets have been distributed to individual users and libraries throughout the United States.

**World Trade Flows:** The United Nations produces imports and exports data for all countries of the world, but these data are in a format that is inconvenient for academic users. Using a grant from the National Science Foundation, Robert Feenstra and Robert Lipsey (NBER New York) have made a very large set of UN trade data available to users on the CID Web site. The data cover the years 1962 - 2000 and include about 150 major countries and all their trading partners.

**Chinese and Hong Kong Trade Data:** A third unique dataset available from the center, but only to researchers at UC Davis, is a complete set of Chinese imports and exports data (1988-2006). Several graduate students in economics have used these data for their dissertation research and gone on to obtain PhD degrees and university positions. Several other graduate students and faculty in the Departments of Economics and Agricultural and Resource Economics are using it currently. The center ensures that these data are available in a form that permits users easy access and complete documentation.

**Penn World Table:** Professor Feenstra is now a partner in the Penn World Table, the leading source of internationally comparable national accounts data. This partnership provides a unique opportunity for the center to expand the breadth its international data collections. Constructed by Robert Summers and Alan Heston of the University of Pennsylvania, together with the late Irving Kravis, the Penn World Tables are the definitive source for real, common currency, national accounts data. These data are invaluable for making comparisons of gross domestic product across countries, and for all manner of research on development and growth.

The current version of the Penn World Tables includes real GDP which measures the standard of living for consumers. But most users of the Penn World Tables are interested instead in the productivity of countries.
The difference between the standard of living and the productivity of countries lies in their trade opportunities: countries with better trade opportunities can have a higher standard of living due to trade, rather than through domestic productivity. Research funding for this project was received from the National Science Foundation under a grant covering 2003-2006 and a new grant covering 2007-2010. Those grants enable Feenstra and Heston to make the distinction between real GDP for consumers and real GDP in production. That distinction is being made using the international trade data for countries, which is already available at the Center. The NSF grant is held jointly with Feenstra and Heston as principal investigators, along with John Romalis (University of Chicago), Bart van Ark and Marcel Timmer (Groningen Growth and Development Center, University of Groningen), D.S. Prasada Rao (University of Queensland, Brisbane), and Robert Hill (University of New South Wales). The large numbers of researchers involved reflects the need to incorporate new data and methods into the Penn World Table, extending its time frame and adding more measurements of the international prices faced by countries.

Center for State and Local Taxation

The Center for State and Local Taxation was founded in 1990 to promote education and research in taxation. Through its programs, the center seeks to facilitate a clearer understanding of the effects of alternative state and local tax strategies on individual and corporate taxpayers, economic activity, and government revenues. The center’s activities are coordinated by its director, Dean Steven Sheffrin of the Division of Social Sciences (Economics) and associate director, Professor Terri Sexton (Economics, CSU Sacramento).

Summer Tax Institute: The center’s annual Summer Tax Institute was held in June 2007 on the UC Davis campus. The institute provided in-depth training for nearly one hundred tax professionals from across the country. The institute is cosponsored by the California Franchise Tax Board and the California State Board of Equalization. Associate Director Sexton provided administrative oversight for the event and served as its primary host.

Research and Outreach: The center maintained an active research agenda in 2006-07. Dean Sheffrin and UC Davis graduate student Bei Li finalized a paper on property taxation in the People’s Republic of China that will appear in a volume on privatization forthcoming from Cornell University Press. Sheffrin is in the early stages of research on the British council tax and on tax fairness. He has agreed to present a paper on tax fairness at the 2008 Conference on Property Taxation cosponsored by the Lincoln Institute for Land Policy and the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies at Georgia State University in April 2008. Associate director Sexton will participate in the same conference presenting work on taxing property transactions versus taxing property ownership. She has also been invited to contribute a chapter on assessment limits for a George Washington University/Lincoln Institute of Land Policy project. She continued her work on the impact of Indian gaming on state and local public finance and began planning for a one-day conference on this topic to be held in October 2007 at UC Davis.

Center associates were also involved in a variety of other activities. Dean Sheffrin was an invited participant in the Brookings-Wharton Conference on Urban Affairs in October 2006. In November 2006, he participated in forums on tax limitations at the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, the NYU Institute on State and Local Taxation, and the meeting of the National Tax Association. He continued to serve in an advisory capacity to both the California Policy Research Center at UCOP and the Public Policy Institute of California, a private nonprofit organization dedicated to improving public policy in California. In April 2007, Sheffrin traveled to the United Kingdom and was able to begin research on the council tax. He has also served as a resource to the news media in his areas of expertise, including public perceptions of tax evasion.

Associate Director Sexton made presentations to several groups and served as a media resource on tax-related topics. She spoke on The History and Future of Local Revenue Sources and Taxation to the California Municipal Revenue and Tax Association, in South Lake Tahoe in August 2006. She also attended the Paul J. Hartman State and Local Tax Forum in Nashville Tennessee in October 2006. Sexton was a guest speaker on state and local finance in California at California Economy, held at CSUS in April 2007. She was interviewed by KALW News (radio) in San Francisco on the history of Proposition 13 and its impact on the wealth gap and by Cathy Locke of The Sacramento Bee on the growth in sales tax revenues in the Sacramento region. She consulted...
with Mishri Someshwar with *Preservation Magazine* (National Trust for Historic Preservation) regarding Proposition 13 for a piece on La Jolla, California. She also served as a resource to other scholars and public officials by reviewing several manuscripts and consulted with the Center for Civil Society at UCLA regarding the impacts of Proposition 13; the New Jersey Division of Taxation regarding property tax reform; and the City of Vancouver Housing Centre regarding differential property tax rates based on occupancy. She also fielded numerous questions about and requests to cite her report *Property Tax Systems in the United States: The Tax Base, Exemptions, Incentives, and Relief*, www.iga.ucdavis.edu/Research/CSLT/Publications/PropTaxUS.pdf.

**Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy**

The Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy (CEGE) focuses on the study of the global economy past and present. The center builds upon campus strengths in the applied fields of international economics and economic history. The program, headed by Alan M. Taylor (Economics), seeks to promote understanding of the process of globalization in the long run, employing cutting edge comparative and global approaches to the study of economic issues. Economic responses to the external economic shocks that result from the processes of globalization are of special interest to affiliated faculty.

The affiliated faculty (all in Economics) are: Paul Bergin, Robert Feenstra, Gregory Clark, Peter Lindert, Christopher Meissner, Giovanni Peri, Katheryn Russ, Deborah Swenson, and Wing Thye Woo.

**International Exchanges:** The program aims to develop international exchanges with partners in support of scholarly research and training. The center has ties with such institutions as the University of Utrecht and the Groningen Growth and Development Centre at the University of Groningen in the Netherlands; Pompeu Fabra University in Spain; and the London School of Economics and Political Science, the University of Warwick, and the Economic History Initiative at the Centre for Economic Policy Research in the UK.

CEGE submitted a large grant proposal to NSF’s PIRE program to support its five-year collaborative/exchange programs with multiple overseas partners, requesting funding of $2.5 million. While this proposal was ultimately unsuccessful, it made the final shortlist. With the experience gained through this process, help from IGA in proposal preparation, and the new links made with overseas partners, we hope to be well placed to contend for future PIRE calls and for similar extramural grant opportunities.

The following visitors came to campus with the support of CEGE in 2006–07:

- Ewout Frankema, economics graduate student at the University of Groningen, researched institutions and inequality and the role they have played in the long-run economic development of Latin America.
- James Simpson, Economic History and Institutions professor at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, researched the agricultural economic history of Spain and delved into the economic history of wine.
- David Jacks, Economics professor at Simon Fraser University and former UC Davis PhD student, came to pursue research with Alan Taylor.
- Ahmed Rahman, a professor at the U.S. Naval Academy and former UC Davis PhD student, came to work on joint research with Alan Taylor and Kevin O’Rourke (Economics, Trinity College and NBER).

**CEGE Events:** The first CEGE conference, *The Effects of Globalization on Domestic Markets*, was held in May 2007, a one-day meeting with six papers presented. (The conference program is on the Web site at www.iga.ucdavis.edu/Research/CEGE/CEGE_Program.pdf.) The event was organized by Peri, Feenstra, and Taylor and had over 50 attendees, including leading scholars from Stanford, Santa Clara, and Berkeley as well as many top researchers from across the country.

The center cosponsored several events with other UC Davis partners. CEGE supported and provided a leadership role for the All-UC Group in Economic History conference held at UC Davis in honor of Peter Lindert.
Conflict Processes Group

The Conflict Processes Group (CPG) at UC Davis is an interdisciplinary research program devoted to the study of interpersonal, intergroup, intranational, and international conflicts that entail potential or actual violence. The program is headed by Zeev Maoz (Political Science) and jointly sponsored by IGA and the International Relations Program.

The program has engaged in a number of activities involving scholars from UC Davis and other institutions, as well as the Davis community and beyond. The program sponsors panel discussions and lectures intended to provide perspectives on current events, as well as events (seminars, workshops, and conferences) intended for a more narrow scholarly audience.

The CPG sponsored the following events during the 2006-07 academic year:

CPG Conference: Re-Opening the Black Box of War, October 27-28, 2006: The conference explored political and military dynamics of war management and war termination. Participants included over 25 scholars from various U.S. and British universities. The conference also included a large number of graduate students. Papers presented at this conference are currently under review for a special issue of Conflict Management and Peace Science, the official journal of the Peace Science Society (International).

CPG Seminars: Presentations were made by a number of scholars including: Scott Field (World Peace Scholar at UC Berkeley), Peter Richerson (Environmental Science and Policy, UC Davis), and Wolfgang Wagner (Peace Research Institute Frankfurt). The visitors also met with faculty and graduate students.

Panel Discussions on International Relations and Conflict Processes: These panels included the following events:

- Iran in World Politics: Domestic and International Perspectives. November 30, 2006. The panel examined Iran’s domestic and international politics, as well as U.S.-Iranian relations.
- Four Years of War in Iraq: Mission Accomplished? May 2, 2007. The panel focused on the U.S. war in Iraq, examining such issues as the effect of the war on U.S. politics, the Iraqi refugee crisis, conspiracy theories linking September 11 and the Iraq War, and the comparison of the Iraq War to Vietnam.

Public Lectures: A number of public lectures on various issues in politics, society, and international relations were given by visiting scholars, including Orit Kamir of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Sharad Joshi of the Center for Nonproliferation Studies.

Economy, Justice and Society

Economy, Justice and Society (EJS) is an interdisciplinary program involving faculty from the Departments of Economics, Political Science, and Sociology, and the School of Education. The program focuses on the influence of social, cultural, and political factors on the economic success of individuals and groups.

Marianne Page (Economics) directed the program in 2006-07 and the program committee consisted of Eric Grodsky (Sociology), Michal Kurlaender (School of Education), Kim Shauman (Sociology), Randy Siverson (Political Science), and Ann Stevens (Economics).

Despite the modest budget of EJS, the program engaged in many activities in 2006-07. These consisted of a well-attended seminar series on The Determinants of Economic Success, which ran in both the fall and spring quarters, a conference on Gender over the Life-Cycle organized by Marianne Page and Kim Shauman, and a graduate student retreat.
Graduate Retreat: The introductory event this year was the three-day graduate student retreat held at Westerbeke Ranch in Sonoma in late September. This event was cosponsored by the Departments of Economics, Political Science, and Sociology, and the School of Education and provided an opportunity for graduate students to present work in progress in an informal setting. The participating faculty also discussed finding research topics, bringing these projects to fruition, preparing for the job market, and balancing work and family. Thirty graduate students participated along with nine faculty members. If the budget allows, the next retreat will be in September 2008.

DES Seminar: Typically, DES seminars present speakers from universities such as Harvard, Princeton, and the University of Michigan and have an audience of 25 or more people. The following seminars constituted the DES series for 2006-07.

- Early Development and Health Benefits of Maternity Leave Mandates, Michael Baker (Economics, University of Toronto)
- Geography and Racial Health Disparities, Amitabh Chandra (Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University)
- Is the Glass Emptying or Filling Up? Reconciling Divergent Trends in High School Completion and Dropout, John Robert Warren (Sociology, University of Minnesota)
- The Cultural Context of Disadvantaged Neighborhoods, David Harding (Sociology, University of Michigan)
- Constrained After College: Student Loans and Early Career Occupational Choices, Jesse Rothstein (Economics, Princeton University)
- National Board Certification and Teacher Effectiveness: Evidence from a Random Assignment Experiment, Doug Staiger (Economics, Dartmouth College)
- State High School Exit Examinations and Post-Secondary Labor Market Outcomes, Eric Grodsky (Sociology, UC Davis)
- Race at Work: A Field Experiment of Discrimination in Low Wage Labor Markets, Devah Pager (Sociology, Princeton University)

Spring Conference: Marianne Page, assisted by Kim Shauman, organized a very successful conference at Davis, May 17 and 18, on Gender over the Life-Cycle. The conference attracted presenters and discussants from a variety of disciplines and from prominent institutions. The program included:

- Time Allocation of Parents and Investments in Sons and Daughters, Shelly Lundberg (Economics, University of Washington)
- Childhood Adversity, Educational Trajectories, and Self-Reported Health in Later Life among U.S. Women and Men at the Turn of the Century, Angela O’Rand (Sociology, Duke University)
- A Professor Like Me: The Influence of Instructor Gender on College Achievement, Phil Oreopoulos (Economics, University of Toronto)
- Sex Differences in the Utilization of Educational Capital among College-Educated Workers, Kim Shauman (Sociology, UC Davis)
- Marriage Delay and Private Savings, Lucie Schmidt (Economics, Williams College)
- Getting a Job: Is There a Motherhood Penalty, Shelley Correll (Sociology, Cornell University)
- Health Insurance and the Wage Gap, Helen Levy (Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan)

Migration Dialogue

Directed by Philip Martin (Agricultural and Resource Economics), the Migration Dialogue program develops the data and analysis necessary for rational decision-making on emotionally charged immigration issues in California, the United States, and in other countries. The researchers affiliated with the program analyze the impacts of immigrant workers on the California economy generally, and especially in agriculture, the impacts of immigrants on U.S. residents, and the roles of and effects of immigrant workers abroad.

Immigration researchers at UC Davis include Jeannette Money (Political Science), Kevin Johnson, Jim Smith, and Cruz Reynoso (School of Law), and Jim Grieshop (Human and Community Development). Ed Taylor
(Agricultural and Resource Economics) participates in program activities that examine the impacts of immigration in agricultural areas of California.

During 2006-07 the program:

- Hosted a major conference on the impacts of pending U.S. immigration reforms at the UC Washington Center in Washington, DC
- Produced the quarterly newsletters, Migration News and Rural Migration News (migration.ucdavis.edu/index.php)

Support for these activities was received from the Giannini Foundation ($20,000) and the UC Center for German and European Studies ($10,000).

Program on Decision-Making, Communication, and Uncertainty

The Program on Decision-Making, Communication, and Uncertainty was established in the spring of 2005. Headed by Robert Huckfeldt (Political Science), the program is an interdisciplinary initiative focusing on the use of experimental, computational, and observational methodologies for studying decision-making and communication in contexts marked by uncertainty.

Research in these areas has given rise to distinctive theoretical and methodological approaches: the widespread use of experimentation, theories of cognition, theories of communication and cooperation, game theory, network theory, computational methods, and other individual and group-based measurement strategies. These approaches are integral to program efforts.

The program sponsored the following speakers during the 2006-07 academic year:

On December 8, 2006, Yan Chen, School of Information at the University of Michigan, presented Why Can’t a Woman Bid More Like a Man? Using modern theory and methodology, her study addressed an old debate on gender differences and the extent to which biology shapes destiny. Part of a program of work funded by the NSF, the experiments were based on auction models commonly used in economic game theory that assess both tolerance for risk and ability to figure out the strategy likely to result in the greatest possible earnings.

On May 23, 2007, James Konow, Department of Economics at Loyola Marymount University, presented Morals vs. Mores: Experimental Evidence from the US and Japan. Konow studies the influence of norms on economic behavior — especially justice norms — and applies economic theory and experimental techniques to the study of culture, morals, and mores. This particular paper focused on the comparison of experimental results in Japan and the United States.

Rural Economies of the Americas Program

The mission of the Rural Economies of the Americas Program (REAP), headed by J. Edward Taylor (Agricultural and Resource Economics) is to promote research, training, and outreach to enhance our understanding of how rural economies are changing and what this means for the future of North America.

With primary support from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, REAP launched a new project with three principal goals: first, generate new information through surveys and collaborative research on critical rural development issues in Mexico; second, provide this information to policy makers in Mexico and elsewhere; and third, train a new generation of Mexican economists and create an institutional network among universities, particularly in the provinces.

REAP hosted a major conference in Washington, DC to present research findings on unauthorized immigration from Mexico to congressional staff at a crucial point in the immigration reform debate. Together with its counterpart program at El Colegio de México in Mexico City, it also provided the Calderon government with information, options, and recommendations for designing rural development policies. REAP project findings on the impacts of North American trade integration in Central America were featured in the May issue of The

Systemwide Programs:

All-UC Group in Economic History

As noted previously, the institute is now the administrative home of the All-UC Group in Economic History. The group is committed to strengthening teaching and research in economic history within the UC system. It serves faculty and graduate students through an active conference program, intercampus exchanges, and research grants for graduate students. The group receives funding from the UC Office of the President. During the 2006-07 academic year, the All-UC Group hosted two conferences. *Middlemen and Networks: Economic, Social and Cultural Foundations of the Global Economy* was held November 3-5, 2006 on the UC San Diego campus. *New Comparative Economic History: A Conference in Honor of Peter Lindert* took place June 1-3, 2007 at UC Davis.

Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation

The Institute of Governmental Affairs serves as the UC Davis liaison to the systemwide Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC). IGCC was founded in 1983 as a multicampus research unit, serving the entire University of California system by studying the causes of international conflict and devising options for resolving conflict through international cooperation. Working through the Institute of Governmental Affairs, the IGCC campus program facilitates research, teaching, and discussion of international topics across a wide segment of the UC Davis community.

The campus proposal received $15,000 in block and activity grant funding from systemwide IGCC for the year. The funding was used to support two Junior Faculty Research Program awards on international, comparative topics:

- Cecilia Tsu (History), *Recovering the History of Rural Asian Immigrants in Santa Clara County, 1880-1940*
- Liz Zechmeister (Political Science), *The Effect of Crisis Conditions on Support for Democracy in Mexico*

The IGCC campus program also sponsored or cosponsored the following events:

- Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation Workshop
- Iran in World Politics: Domestic and International Perspectives
- Four Years of War in Iraq: Mission Accomplished?
- Contemporary Terrorism in South Asia

The remainder of the block grant was used to fund the Conflict Processes Group conference, *Re-Opening the Black Box of War*, held October 27-28, 2006.

In November the IGCC program held a workshop on grant writing for faculty and graduate students interested in applying to the systemwide IGCC program for support.

4. Institute Funding Programs

Dissertation Improvement Grant Program

For the fourth year IGA sponsored a program to support graduate student research across the social sciences. The IGA Dissertation Improvement Award Program is intended to provide funding for exemplary students at the dissertation stage whose work would benefit from a small grant. The grants are used to fund such dissertation expenses as interview transcription, data acquisition, fieldwork, and travel to archives and special collections. The institute works with department graduate program chairs to administer parallel competitions in several departments with award criteria tailored to the varying needs and preferences of the disciplines.
In 2006-07, a total of 26 proposals were received requesting over $46,000 in support. The institute was able to fund the top 15 proposals for a total of $10,483. Recipients were:

- Lety Abad (Economics), *Hispanic Latin America Inequality in Historic Perspective*
- Loukas Barton (Anthropology), *Human Diet and Domestication: Establishing the Origins of Agriculture in Northwest China*
- Marie Basile (History), *Breaking down Barriers: Philadelphia's Great Awakening*
- Kim Ebert (Sociology), *Explaining Founding, Change, and Failure of Racial Majority Organizations across 100 Metropolitan Areas, 1970-2000*
- Peter Huckfeldt (Economics), *Expansion of the State Children's Health Insurance Program*
- Jeremiah Jenne (History), *Colonialism, Violence and Identity in Tianjin, 1870*
- Melanie Jones (Sociology), *Classroom Advantage: Social Class and Teacher-Student Relationships*
- Lisa Justice (History), *Mythical Origins: History and Identity in Late Medieval Scotland*
- Amanda Kimball (Economics), *Decision-making Research*
- Gregory Love (Political Science), *Political Institutions, Candidate Quality, and the Consolidation of Democracy in Latin America*
- Molly Melin (Political Science), *Who Manages? Analyzing Third Party Identity, Method, and Performance*
- Meeta Sinha (History), *Colonial Cosmopolitans in Late Imperial Britain*
- Michelle Stewart (Anthropology), *21st Century Policing and the New Community Order*
- Chun Wang (Economics), *Dimension Reduction Techniques in Macroeconomics*
- Jennifer Wilking (Political Science), *Procedural Fairness in Chinese Local Elections*

**Junior Faculty Research Program**

The goal of IGA’s Junior Faculty Research Program is to assist junior faculty in cultivating a base of external funding that will support their work over the long term. Funding is intended to support proposal development. The program is open to social science faculty on the UC Davis campus with tenure track appointments at the assistant professor rank. The 2006-07 Junior Faculty Research Program committee consisted of Gregory Clark (Economics) and John Scott (Political Science).

In addition to seed support, recipients of Junior Faculty Research Program awardees have access to IGA services such as assistance in identifying potential funding sources, proposal preparation and submission, and grant administration services for funded projects.

IGA funding for the program was augmented with IGCC Block Grant Funds to support junior faculty working in areas relating to international conflict and cooperation. In addition, Dean Steven Sheffrin provided funds from the Division of Social Sciences to support work by division faculty.

The 2006-07 recipients and their projects were:

- Cindy Kam (Political Science), *Aversive Racism in Multi-Candidate Elections*
- Joonsuk Lee (Economics), *Empirical Analysis of Auctions*
- Doug Miller (Economics), *The Health Impacts of Head Start*
- Katheryn Russ (Economics), *The Impact of Foreign Direct Investment in the Financial Sector on Lending Costs*
- Burkhard Schipper (Economics), *Hormones and Competitive Behavior*
- Cecilia Tsu (History), *Recovering the History of Rural Asian Immigrants in Santa Clara County, 1880-1940*
- Liz Zechmeister (Political Science), *The Effect of Crisis Conditions on Support for Democracy in Mexico*

Although funding for this program is limited, the return on these seed investments has been excellent. Since its inception in 1998-99, the program has made 75 awards totaling $279,454. Over 80% of the awardees have fulfilled their obligation to apply for external support. Award recipients have secured 47 grants totaling over $2.5 million in extramural funding as a direct result of program funding. Grants have been received from sources such as the California Policy Research Center (University of California), the Carnegie Corporation, the
Center for Global Partnership (Japan Foundation), the MacArthur Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation, the Pacific Rim Research Program (University of California), the Russell Sage Foundation, and the Spencer Foundation. Each dollar invested in the program has yielded nearly nine additional dollars to support faculty research while helping junior faculty build skills, knowledge, and experience in obtaining funding that will benefit them throughout their careers.

5. Grant Proposal Activity

The institute provides a range of services intended to assist social science faculty at UC Davis in their efforts to secure external funding for their research activities. The institute provides support throughout the process from the conceptualization of an idea to the administration of funding once awarded. Services include assistance in defining the scope of a proposed project or program, identifying possible sources of funding, critiquing of proposals, preparation of proposal forms and budgets, submission of the grant to the Office of Research and the funding agency, and post-award administration.

During fiscal year 2006-07, IGA submitted 28 contract and grant applications on behalf of faculty and graduate students. This year fifteen projects received new funding totaling $1,931,101.

Newly funded projects are:

- Christopher Dawes (Political Science), *The Role of Genetics in Preference Formation*, $2,500 from the Russell Sage Foundation
- Robert C. Feenstra (Economics), *Integrating Expenditure and Production Estimates in International Comparisons*, $186,722 from the National Bureau of Economic Research
- Diane Felmlee (Sociology), *Dynamics of Human Behavior: Modeling the Dynamics*, $170,557 from the National Science Foundation
- Jefferson Gill (Political Science), *Adaptive Nonparametric Markov Chain Monte Carlo Algorithms for Social Data Models with Nonparametric Priors*, $177,549 from the National Science Foundation
- Christopher Knittel (Economics), *E85 Station Entry: Implications for Alternative Fuel Policy and Firm Strategy*, $126,571 from Chevron Technology Ventures, UC Davis
- Christopher Knittel (Economics), *Transportation Fuels and Carbon Markets: How Might a Carbon-based Trading System Develop?*, $78,956 from Chevron Technology Ventures, UC Davis
- Peter Lindert (Economics), *Global Prices and Incomes, 1200-1950, Stage 2*, $450,000 from the National Science Foundation
- Zeev Maoz (Political Science), *The Network of Nations: The Evolution of International Relations, 1816 - 2005*, $17,884 from the UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation
- Molly Melin (Political Science), *Who Manages? Analyzing Third Party Identity and Performance in Low Level Intrastate Conflict*, $7,277 from the Folke Bernadotte Academy
- Dina Okamoto (Sociology), *The Role of Community-Based Organizations in the Lives of Immigrant and Second Generation Youth*, $350,000 from the William T. Grant Foundation
- Alan Olmstead (Economics/IGA), *IGCC: Campus Program at UC Davis: Block Grant 2007-08*, $18,000 from the UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation
- Alan Olmstead (Economics/IGA), *California Agricultural Mechanization: Lessons from the Past and Prospects for the Future*, $12,810 from the Giannini Foundation
- Giovanni Peri (Economics), *Rethinking the Gains from Immigration - A Plan for Research and Policy Recommendations to Revisit the Current View on the International Mobility of Labor*, $166,000 from the MacArthur Foundation
- Vicki Smith (Sociology), *Counseling Kids: The World of High School Counselors*, $28,500 from the Spencer Foundation
- Burkhard Schipper (Economics), *Games with Unawareness - Theory and Applications*, $137,775 from the National Science Foundation

* Graduate student award
In addition to these newly funded contracts and grants, the institute administered fifteen continuing contracts and grants totaling $1,003,262 in carryforward funding. Continuing grants were:

- Thomas Beamish (Sociology), ‘Bio-safety or Bio-hazard’? Organizational Pursuit and Community Response to a Safety and Preparedness Initiative, $133,737 from the National Science Foundation
- Robert Feenstra (Economics), Research on Improved Methods of Estimating Production and Income Across Nations, $18,166 from the National Bureau of Economic Research
- James Fowler (Political Science), Turnout and the Dictator: How Altruism Affects Political Participation, $2,537 from the Russell Sage Foundation
- Emily Goldman (Political Science), The Diffusion of Terrorist and Counter-Terrorist Practices, $25,556 from the U.S. Institute of Peace
- Ryken Grattet (Sociology), The Causes and Consequences of Parole Violations in California: A Multilevel and Policy-Focused Analysis, $220,552 from the National Institute of Justice
- Eric Grodsky (Sociology), High School Exit Examinations and Labor Market Outcomes among Young Adults, $34,370 from the National Science Foundation
- Eric Grodsky (Sociology), Perverse Openness or Virtuous Cycle? The Future of Racial and Ethnic Educational Stratification, $36,924 from the National Academy of Education
- Eric Grodsky (Sociology), High School Exit Examinations and NAEP Long-Term Trends in Reading, Mathematics, and Science, 1971-1999, $22,329 from the University of Minnesota
- Peter Lindert (Economics), Global Prices and Incomes, 1200-1950 - First Stage, $327,334 from the National Science Foundation
- Ming-cheng Lo (Sociology), One Science Does Not Fit All: The Social Processes of ‘Culturally Competent’ Healthcare, $22,962 from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- Bill McCarthy (Sociology), Interactive Service Workers Occupational Health and Safety Access to Health Services, $47,622 from the University of Victoria
- Alan Olmstead (Economics/IGA), Seeds and Slaves: Technological Change, Plantation Efficiency, and Southern Economic Development, $76,341 from the National Science Foundation
- Ann Stevens (Economics), How Does Knowledge Affect Retirement Behavior? The Role of Pension Knowledge in Retirement-Related Decisions, $10,000 from the National Science Foundation
- J. Edward Taylor (Agricultural and Resource Economics), Understanding the Role of Wheat in the Livelihoods of Farm Households in Rainfed Wheat Systems, $35,345 from the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT)
- J. Edward Taylor (Agricultural and Resource Economics), Program on Binational Training, Research and Institutional Development for the Study of Economic Change and Migration in Rural Mexico, $4,656 from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation.

6. Other Institute Activities

Research Services

The Institute offers a broad range of services in support of faculty and graduate student research. IGA’s Research Services Unit consists of the IGA Library & Data Archive and the Social Science Data Service (SSDS).

Library & Data Archive

IGA Library & Data Archive staff provide research support to social science faculty and graduate students through data identification and acquisition, in-depth reference service, and targeted collection development. Staff are well versed in social science data and bibliographic sources, as well as the research interests of the faculty and students they serve. Library & Data Archive staff proactively collect electronic and print materials to meet those needs. In 2006-07 the Library & Data Archive served 150 users from 14 departments across the campus and at UCDMC.

** Previous annual reports listed the full project award amount for continuing grants. The amount provided here is the remaining or carryforward balance for the project, not the full award amount.
The IGA Library & Data Archive provides access to a broad array of social science information that is tailored to the needs and interests of its clientele and is outside the scope of campus library collections. While the library maintains limited print collections, its primary emphasis is electronic social science data. The collection includes approximately 3,600 print titles (serials and monographs) and 185 electronic resources.

The IGA data archive administers data-related institutional memberships, including the Roper Center for Public Opinion Research, the world’s largest archive of survey data; the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), the premier social science data archive; the Systemwide Field Institute Academic Consortium, the UC source of the Field (California) Polls; and the U.S. Census Bureau’s State Census Data Center Affiliate Program, the source of access to specialized census data products and consultation from state and federal census personnel. The table below provides information on the volume and value of data utilization from the two major institutional memberships: ICPSR and the Roper Center.

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The Library and Data Archive also purchases several databases annually, including CPS Utilities from Unicon, the Direction of Trade Statistics database from the International Monetary Fund, and U.S. Economic Data from Haver Analytics. As funds permit, the library also acquires data for users on a one-time basis. Overall, the Library & Data Archive provided data to 150 users in 2006-07. Among the more heavily used items were U.S. Economic Data (downloaded by 25 users), CPS Utilities (accessed by 8 users), and China Historical County Population Census Data (downloaded by 7 users).

Social Science Data Service

The mission of the Social Science Data Service (SSDS) is to provide quantitative research computing support and supplementary computing resources for the affiliated departments of economics, political science, and sociology. The Data Service provides the affiliated departments with a research-oriented computing environment that takes advantage of economies of scale and shared computing resources. Additionally, SSDS provides research support to non-SSDS affiliated users as resources allow and administers two campuswide software licenses. The site licenses provide researchers with substantial savings over the regular academic pricing for these products. SSDS provides the 6 core modules of SPSS, a social science statistical package, to campus users for an annual fee of $143. By comparison, the one-time academic pricing for the current version of these modules is over $3,700 (plus an additional $800 annual maintenance fee).

The staff at SSDS have considerable expertise in general information technology as well as a specialization in quantitative methods in the social sciences. The majority of SSDS consulting questions are short term in nature, others are of an extended nature, requiring an hour or more to answer. The consulting service at SSDS is focused on assisting faculty and graduate students by making them more productive and providing technical assistance to overcome obstacles they may encounter in the course of their quantitative analyses. While SSDS sometimes deals with general computing issues, more often the staff address specialized quantitative social science computing concerns, including the use of the SSDS computing system (a mixed environment of personal computers and a central UNIX research application server), mathematical and statistical applications support, and other quantitative or computational research computing issues. SSDS also addresses data-related issues such as importing data from external sources or from the IGA Library & Data Archive collections.

This year the SSDS statistical consultant continued to offer a popular series of workshops on quantitative computing issues. The Data Service also acquired a new UNIX system funded by the Division of Social Sciences. For the 2006-07 year, the SSDS advisory committee members were Robert Huckfeldt (Political Science), chair; Oscar Jorda (Economics); and Xiaoling Shu (Sociology).
A list of UC Davis units that have made use of IGA’s statistical computing services, or benefited from its site licenses for statistical software is provided below.

Academic Preparation Program
Agricultural & Resource Economics
Anesthesiology & Pain Management
Anthropology
California National Regional Primate Research Center
Center for Health Services Research & Primary Care
Center for Healthy Aging
Center for Human Services
Center for Mind & Brain
Center for Neuroscience
Chicana/o Studies
Child & Adolescent Abuse Resource & Evaluation Diagnostic Treatment Center
Child Development
Civil & Environmental Engineering
Clinical & Translational Research Center
Clinical Nutrition
Communication
Cowell Student Health Center
Davis Honors Challenge
Division of Agricultural & Natural Resources - Cooperative Extension
East Asian Languages & Cultures
Economics
Education
Environmental Science & Policy
Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine
Evolution & Ecology
Expanded Food & Nutrition Program
Family & Community Medicine
Family Research Group
Food Science
French & Italian
General Medicine
Graduate School of Management
Graduate Studies
History
Human & Community Development
Imaging Research Center
Institute of Transportation Studies
Internal Medicine
Land Air & Water Resources
Law School
Letters & Science Dean’s Office
Medical School Dean’s Office–Medical Education
M.I.N.D. Institute
Neurological Surgery
Neurology
Nutrition
Office of Research
Offices of the Chancellor & Provost
Pediatrics
Plant Pathology
Plant Sciences
Political Science
Psychiatry
Psychology
Public Health Sciences
Sea Grant Extension Program
Shields Library
Small Farm Center
Sociology
Statistics
Student Affairs Research & Information
Student Housing
Surgery
Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education Program
Textiles & Clothing
Tobacco Control Evaluation Center
Undergraduate Admissions
University Extension
Veterinary Genetics Lab
Veterinary Medicine
Veterinary Medicine Dean’s Office
Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital
Veterinary Medicine: Medicine & Epidemiology
Veterinary Medicine: Population Health & Reproduction
Veterinary Medicine: Surgical & Radiological Sciences
Veterinary Medicine: Wildlife Health Center
Faculty Participation

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Michal Kurlaender  Education
Kimberlee Shauman  Sociology
Randolph Siverson  Political Science
Ann Stevens  Economics

Participation from Other UC Campuses

Approximately 100 faculty representing all general UC campuses and a like number of faculty from non-UC campuses have participated in IGA sponsored programs and events, including the activities of the All-UC Group in Economic History, in this reporting period. At least 30 graduate students also participated in these events.

Visiting Scholars

IGA hosted a number of distinguished visitors who conducted research and/or presented lectures at the institute.

Visitors in 2006-07 included:

- Michael Baker, Economics, University of Toronto
- Victoria L. Bradshaw, Secretary, California Labor and Workforce Development Agency
- Amitabh Chandra, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
IGA strives to enrich the intellectual life on campus through its public affairs and conference programs. This year IGA hosted a number of individual lectures, conferences, and seminars. The calendar below lists events sponsored or cosponsored by IGA and its programs and centers.

public affairs

IGA Events Calendar 2006-07

July 2006

20-22 23rd Annual Summer Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology

September 2006

24-26 Faculty/Graduate Student Fall Retreat
Westerbeke Ranch, Sonoma County
Economy, Justice and Society (EJS)
OCTOBER 2006
5  The Early Development and Health Benefits of Maternity Leave Mandates
   Michael Baker, Economics, University of Toronto and NBER
   EJS Determinants of Economic Success Series (DES)
12  The Salad Mix Up: Economic and Food Safety Perspectives
   Karen Klonsky, Agricultural and Resource Economics and Trevor Suslow, Plant Sciences
   PolicyWatch Series
18  Middle East Panel Presentation: Cycles of Violence in the Long Hot Summer of 2006: Israel, Palestine and Lebanon
   Moderator: Suad Joseph, Anthropology and Women & Gender Studies. Zeev Maoz, Political Science; Beshara Doumani, History, UC Berkeley; Zeina Zaatari, Senior Program Officer, The Global Fund for Women
   Conflict Processes Group (CPG)
27-28  Re-Opening the Black Box of War: Politics and the Conduct of War
   CPG Conference, cosponsored by IGCC
27  Geography and Racial Health Disparities
   Amitabh Chandra, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
   DES

NOVEMBER 2006
3  How Decoupled are the US Farm Programs in the Long Run?
   Bruce Gardner, Agricultural & Resource Economics, University of Maryland
   Cosponsored by IGA, Agricultural & Resource Economics (ARE), and the Agricultural Issues Center
3-5  Middlemen and Networks: Economic, Social, and Cultural Foundation of the Global Economy
   All-UC Group in Economic History Conference, UC San Diego
6  STATA Basics Workshop
   John Daniels, Social Science Data Service
   SSDS Workshop
8  Is the Glass Emptying or Filling Up? Reconciling Divergent Trends in High School Completion and Dropout
   John Robert Warren, Sociology, University of Minnesota
   DES
15  Election 2006 in the Rearview Mirror: Explaining the State and Congressional Election Outcomes
   Robert Huckfeldt and Benjamin Highton, Political Science
   PolicyWatch Series
16  The Malthusian Era and the Formation of Modern Preferences
   Gregory Clark, Economics
17  Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC) Workshop
30  Iran in World Politics: Domestic and International Perspectives
   Moderator: Zeev Maoz, Political Science. Sammy Salama, Center for Nonproliferation Studies; Afshin Marashi, History, California State University Sacramento; Miroslav Nincic, Political Science
   Cosponsored by CPG, IGCC, Middle East/South Asian Studies (MESA), Political Science

DECEMBER 2006
1  The Cultural Context of Disadvantaged Neighborhoods: Cultural Heterogeneity, Romantic Relationships and Sexual Behavior
   David Harding, Sociology, University of Michigan
   DES
8  Why Can't a Woman Bid More Like a Man?
   Yan Chen, School of Information, University of Michigan
   Decision-making, Communication and Uncertainty (DCU)

JANUARY 2007
17  Radical Democracy: The Social Movement of Oaxaca
   Stefano Varese, Native American Studies
   PolicyWatch Series
22  A Year of Tumult: Making Sense of the Changing Middle East
   Rami Khouri, Editor-at-Large, Daily Star Newspaper
   Cosponsored by CPG, IGCC, MESA, International Relations
26  Tribal Social Instincts + Workaround Institutions
   Peter J. Richerson, Environmental Science and Policy, CPG

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FEBRUARY 2007
27 California Labor: Past, Present, and Future
Victoria L. Bradshaw, Secretary, California Labor and Workforce Development Agency
Cosponsored by IGA and the UC Miguel Contreras Labor Studies Development Fund

MARCH 2007
1 Gender Politics, Feminist Legislation, Equality and Dignity in Israel
Orit Kamir, Law, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
CPG

9 Consumer Benefits from Increased Competition in Shopping Outlets: Measuring the Effect of Wal-Mart
Jerry Hausman, Economics, MIT
Cosponsored by IGA and Economics

16 Democracy, Peace and the Internationalization of Security Politics
Wolfgang Wagner, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt
CPG

17 Pacific Conference for Development Economics
Cosponsored by IGA, ARE, Giannini Foundation, and the William and Flora Hewlitt Foundation

APRIL 2007
6 Constrained After College: Student Loans and Early Career Occupational Choices
Jesse Rothstein, Economics, Princeton University
DES

19 The Realist's Dilemma: Using the Most Sensible Tools for Sustainable Development
Martina Newell-McGloughlin, Director, UC Biotechnology Research and Education Program and Co-Director, NIH Training Program in Biomolecular Technology, UC Davis
PolicyWatch Series

27 National Board Certification and Teacher Effectiveness: Evidence from a Random Assignment Experiment
Doug Staiger, Economics, Dartmouth College
DES

27 UNIX Workshop
John Daniels, Social Science Data Service
SSDS Workshop

MAY 2007
2 Four Years of War in Iraq: Mission Accomplished?
Moderator: Zeev Maoz, Political Science. Kathy Olmsted, History; Keith Watenpaugh, Religious Studies;
Scott Gartner, Larry Berman, and Miroslav Nincic, Political Science
Cosponsored by CPG, IGCC, and Political Science

3 Fulbright Workshops

4 CEGE Mini-Conference: The Effects of Globalization on Domestic Markets
Programming with STATA
John Daniels, Social Science Data Service
SSDS Workshop

9 State High School Exit Examinations and Post-Secondary Labor Market Outcomes
Eric Grodsky, Sociology
DES

10 Colonial Citizens: Republic Rights, Paternal Privilege and Gender in French Syria and Lebanon
Elizabeth Thompson, History, University of Virginia
Cross Cultural Women’s History Lecture
Cosponsored by IGA, History, WRRC, Women and Gender Studies, and MESA

16 Hobbes, Rawls, Nussbaum, Buchanan and All Seven of the Virtues
Deirdre McCloskey, Economics, History, English, and Communication, University of Illinois at Chicago
Richard Sinopoli Memorial Lecture in Political Theory
Cosponsored by IGA and Political Science
Contemporary Terrorism in South Asia  
Sharad Joshi, Center for Nonproliferation Studies  
Cosponsored by CPG, IGCC, MSA, and International Relations

Gender Over the Life-Cycle Conference  
DES Conference

Ayatollahs on the Pareto Frontier: The Institutional Basis of Shiite Religious Authority in Iraq  
David Patel, Political Science, Cornell University  
Cosponsored by IGA, Religious Studies, History, Jewish Studies, and the Humanities Institute

Morals vs. Mores: Experimental Evidence from the US and Japan  
James Konow, Economics, Loyola Marymount University  
DCU  
Scholarship and the New Media Seminar  
Brad DeLong, Economics, UC Berkeley  
Cosponsored by IGA, Center for History, Society and Culture, and the History Colloquium

The Strategic Dynamics of War: Insights from the Evolutionary Analysis of Animal Conflict  
Scott Field, World Peace Scholar, UC Berkeley  
CPG

Unions in the California Food System: Past, Present and Future  
Peter Maturino, President, UFCW Local 5  
Cosponsored by IGA and the UC Miguel Contreras Labor Studies Development Fund

JUNE 2007

Race at Work: A Field Experiment of Discrimination in Low Wage Labor Markets  
Devah Pager, Sociology, Princeton University  
DES

New Comparative Economic History: A Conference in Honor of Peter Lindert  
All-UC Group in Economic History Conference, UC Davis  
Cosponsored by CEGE

Summer Tax Institute  
Center for State and Local Taxation