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10:00a-11:30a  Film: Making Sense of Place-Phoenix: The Urban Desert  Leutze 111
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Monday, October 3

Strangers at the Door: Immigrants and Refugees through the British Gaze
1:00pm-1:45pm
Leutze Hall 110
Dr. Dan Masters and Dr. Florentina Andreescu

One event that strongly marks the summer of 2016 is the success of the Brexit campaign in Britain, advocating for leaving the European Union and for “taking back control.” The campaign, constructed around issues of controlling borders and reducing immigration, used strong nationalist discourse and disconcerting racist rhetoric targeting especially Eastern Europeans and Muslims. The success of the Leave campaign unleashed an outburst of hate crimes in the aftermath of the referendum. In this context the panelists will take a look at the various way in which Eastern European immigrants and Syrian refugees were represented in British media, which rendered their presence in Britain a “state of the nation” issue. More specifically, Dr. Dan Masters will explore the background of the Syrian civil war leading to the refugee crisis and its representation in British media, while Dr. Florentina Andreescu will explore the various modes depicting immigrant bodies encountered in a controversial Channel 4 documentary series entitled The Romanians are Coming (2015).

Law School/Career Panel Discussion
2:00pm-3:15pm
Leutze Hall 110
Tamika Jenkins, Attorney at Law, Boyles Law Firm; Dr. Julie Lane; Dr. Ben Taylor

If you might be interested in pursuing a career in law, join this informal discussion to gather some words of wisdom from UNCW Alum, Tamika Jenkins. Dr. Lane and Dr. Taylor will be joining the discussion by providing their insights on what you can be doing now to help you best prepare for law school and a career in law.

The Voting Rights Act in 2016
3:30pm-4:45pm
Leutze Hall 110
Derek Bowen, Elections Director, New Hanover County; Dr. Aaron King; Dr. Julie Lane

Despite gaining the right to vote with the Fifteenth Amendment, African Americans faced significant legal barriers at the state and local level that prevented the full exercise of that right. The purpose of The Voting Rights Act of 1965 was to remove these barriers by prohibiting discriminatory election practices. In this session, panelists will comment on the significance of this legislation in North Carolina. Derek Bowen, Elections Director for New Hanover County, will provide insights on the elections process. Dr. Lane will comment on recent legal developments in the areas of voter identification requirements and congressional districting. Dr. King will share his insights on parties and districting practices in North Carolina.
Keynote Speaker: “The CIA and National Security: The Role of Intelligence”  
7:00pm-8:30pm  
Leutze Hall 108

Melvin A. Goodman is national security and intelligence columnist for Truthout. He is senior fellow at the Center for International Policy and adjunct professor of government at Johns Hopkins University. His 42-year government career included service at the CIA, State Department, Defense Department and the US Army. His latest book is *Failure of Intelligence: The Decline and Fall of the CIA*.

**Tuesday, October 4**

**Grad Student Gabfest**  
9:30am-10:45am  
Leutze Hall 111  
Facilitator: Dr. Jessica Winkle  
Panelists: Eilish Nolen, CMR Student; Joe Harris, MPA student

A slate of graduate student panelists will discuss the steps they have taken toward developing marketable job skills in public administration, conflict management and resolution, and coastal and ocean policy including internships (paid and unpaid), research projects, and networking. This roundtable discussion will be followed by a Q&A session with the audience, focused on highlighting opportunities currently available to UNCW students.

**Building a Better Wilmington Campaign: Promoting Quality Volunteer Experiences and Collaboration between UNCW, Students, and the Nonprofit Community**  
11:00am-12:15pm  
Leutze Hall 110  
Facilitator: Rachel J. Chavez  
Student in the MPA program with a Public Management Concentration. Rachel is the Internal Relations Director of the Building a Better Wilmington Campaign and will be transitioning to Director in Spring 2017.

Panelists:  
Rachel Bodkin-Fox  
Student in the MPA program with a Public Policy concentration. Rachel is Director of the Building a Better Wilmington Campaign.

Joseph Harris  
Student in the MPA program with a Public Policy concentration. Joseph is Research Director of the Building a Better Wilmington Campaign.

Angela Pollock  
Student in the MPA program with a concentration in Nonprofit Management and Public Policy. Angela serves as External Relations Director of the Building a Better Wilmington.

The Building a Better Wilmington Campaign strives to raise the profile of nonprofit organizations in Southeastern North Carolina and to connect highly motivated students and community members with local nonprofits in mutually beneficial relationships. Through the creation and screening of student films, research on the
nonprofit sector, and education and mentoring of future nonprofit leaders, the Building a Better Wilmington Campaign creates valuable collaborations between UNCW and the nonprofit community. This session will give an inside look at how students can connect with the community through nonprofit projects and research opportunities that provide experiences beyond the classroom, uplift the community, and build valuable skills for any career. At this session we will screen student-produced films that showcase the good work of nonprofits in the community and the value volunteers contribute to their success. In addition, we will hold a panel discussion and Q & A session. Students will leave informed and inspired to contribute their talents and skills to organizations that are making a tremendous difference in our community. Great refreshments will be served!

Student Engagement: Perspectives from the College Democrats
Leutze Hall 111
12:30pm-1:45pm
Facilitator: Dr. Ben Taylor
Panelist: Kyle Horton, MD, VP 7th District Democratic Party; Lexie Piccirillo, College Democrats President

What are the ways UNCW students can become involved with Democratic Party politics and issues on campus and in the wider community? What are the opportunities for students who want to make politics a larger part of their college experience or even a career? These questions and more will be discussed at this forum with the College Democrats leadership and Dr. Kyle Horton, the VP for the NC 7th District Democratic Party.

Explorations Beyond the Classroom: Nonprofit Leadership Experience
12:30pm-1:45pm
Leutze Hall 110
Facilitator: Jeffrey L. Brudney, Betty and Dan Cameron Family Distinguished Professor of Innovation in the Nonprofit Sector
Panelists: Genevieve Collins Wirth, UNCW Student; Elizabeth Brunner, UNCW Student; Douglas Clower, UNCW Student; Sylvia Jabaley, Community Leader

Would you like to earn course credit at the same time you build your skills, networks, and opportunities for meaningful careers? Are you interested in becoming involved in the community through your UNCW coursework? Are you looking for a fun and stimulating course that satisfies the UNCW graduation requirement of an “Exploration Beyond the Classroom”? This session points the way! It focuses on the course “Nonprofit Leadership Experience” (PLS 434), a highly innovative, nontraditional course that matches your particular background and interests to a local nonprofit organization that needs your assistance, and provides the education and training for you to succeed in performing a project for this organization. A total of 74 students have completed the course and had a great experience! At this session you will learn about the course and its benefits from a panel of these students and leaders of nonprofit organizations who have hosted their projects. In addition, we will screen short films made by UNCW students that show the value of the Nonprofit Leadership Experience course from the students’ perspective. Come learn about an engaged learning opportunity that is well within your grasp. Great refreshments will be served!
Student Engagement: Perspectives from the College Republicans
2:00pm-3:15pm
Leutze Hall 111
Facilitator: Dr. Ben Taylor
Special Guest: Taylor Playforth, Trump Campaign

What are the ways UNCW students can become involved with Republican Party politics and issues on campus and in the wider community? What are the opportunities for students who want to make politics a larger part of their college experience or even a career? These questions and more will be discussed at this forum with the College Republican leadership and Taylor Playforth, a UNCW alum currently working in GOP politics.

Alumni Cocktail
5:30pm-6:45pm
Clocktower Lounge

Keynote Speaker: “Wheat or Chaff? Polling and Prediction in the 2016 Election”
Dr. Hillygus, Duke University.
7:00pm-8:30pm
Lumina Theatre

Dr. D. Sunshine Hillygus is Professor of Political Science and Public Policy at Duke University and Director of the Duke Initiative on Survey Methodology (DISM). Her research and teaching specialties include public opinion, political behavior, campaigns and elections, and survey methodology. She is co-author of The Hard Count: The Social and Political Challenges of the 2000 Census (Russell Sage Foundation, 2006) and The Persuadable Voter: Wedge Issues in Political Campaigns (Princeton University Press, 2008). She has also published articles in Public Opinion Quarterly, Political Analysis, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Statistical Science, and Political Behavior, among others. From 2003 - 2009, she taught at Harvard University, where she was the Frederick S. Danziger Associate Professor of Government and founding director of the Program on Survey Research. She holds a PhD from Stanford University and a BA from the University of Arkansas.

Vice Presidential Debate Watch
8:45pm-11:00pm
McNeil Hall 1051
Sponsored by the Department of Public and International Affairs, Pi Sigma Alpha, and UNCW Votes
Host: Dr. Aaron King

While Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton have been at center stage in this election, each presidential candidate picked a lesser-known running mate. Come join us to watch the only Vice Presidential Debate and learn more about Tim Kaine and Mike Pence. Pi Sigma Alpha, the political science honors society, will provide popcorn and coordinate debate bingo (with prizes), so bring your friends!
Friday, October 5:

Film: *Making Sense of Place-Phoenix: The Urban Desert*
10:00am-11:30am
Leutze Hall 111
Host: Dr. Kirsten Kinzer

*Phoenix: The Urban Desert* examines the complex questions of urban planning and regional identity by exploring the ways in which people participate in and experience their city. In just 50 years, Phoenix has expanded from a small desert town to the sixth largest city in the country. This film explores the conflict between real estate development, which provides homes and jobs to 100,000 new residents each year, and the region’s unique ecology.

Film: *Waiting for Superman*
11:45pm-2:00pm
Leutze Hall 110
Host: Dr. Chris Prentice

A documentary film about charter schools, *Waiting for Superman* offers a compelling argument regarding how we can reform the public education system and improve student outcomes by leveraging public and private resources.