Wayne Morse Center announces next theme

‘From Wall Street to Main Street: Capitalism and the Common Good’ focuses on economic reform

The recent era of relatively unrestrained capitalism and the resulting financial crisis have spawned critiques of our economic system focused on growing inequality, instability, ecological devastation, and the very values that underlie our economic system.

This theme will explore approaches to modifying the U.S. capitalist system to make it more just, stable and sustainable.

We will discuss fundamental issues as well as particular regulatory reforms. Moving beyond a critique of past institutions, we will examine proposals, experiments, theories and actions that promote new thinking about the economy and development.

Theme highlights

• The Morse Center will administer the Madge and Val Lorwin Lecture funds. We plan a symposium on human rights and capitalism, with a focus on women and capitalism. Issues will include human rights and the economy and women’s unpaid labor.

• Distinguished Speakers Jacob Hacker (Yale) and Paul Pierson (UC Berkeley) will visit the UO to discuss their recent book Winner Take All Politics: How Washington Made the Rich Richer--And Turned Its Back on the Middle Class. This book examines the sources of economic inequality and focuses on the role of politics.

• The Wayne Morse Center will sponsor an Oregon Historical Commission photo exhibit, Dorothea Lange in Oregon, 1939, Histotrians and artists will be invited to comment on the photos and lead a discussion of Depression-era economic policy.

For more information on the “Capitalism and the Common Good” theme, including resident scholars and project grants, see page 9.

Aoki and Kuttner to hold Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics

Legal scholar Keith Aoki will serve as the Wayne Morse Chair in 2011-12. Aoki, a professor at UC Davis School of Law, is an accomplished scholar in intellectual property law, critical race theory, and local government law. His latest work involves the role of local governments in the immigration debate, and he is well known for his comic book overviews of copyright law. While in residence at the Wayne Morse Center, Aoki will teach a law class on “Capitalism: Competition, Innovation and Technology Transfer” and convene a symposium on immigration and local governments. In 2012-13, the Wayne Morse Center will host author Robert Kuttner as Wayne Morse Chair. Kuttner will co-teach a political science class and deliver a series of lectures on Capitalism and the Common Good. Kuttner is a co-founder of the American Prospect and the author of nine books on the U.S. economic system and the politics of markets. He is currently writing a book on globalization and the common good.
Wayne Morse Center celebrates 10 years

By MARGARET HALLOCK
Wayne Morse Center Director

2010 marked the 10th anniversary of the Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics and the 30th anniversary of the Wayne Morse Chair. The original chair was endowed shortly after Senator Morse’s death in 1974, and the UO began hosting visitors in 1980. The center was created to expand the activities and broaden the reach of the Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics.

The founding documents of the Wayne Morse Center stated its main goal: to provide a venue for interdisciplinary research and public discussion in the tradition of Wayne Morse, emphasizing independence, activism, and integrity, with a balance of academics and politics. The center pledged to bring exciting scholars and activists to campus, commission research and public events on topical issues in law and politics, support students with internships and fellowships, publish meaningful and popular papers, and engage in an authentic way with the broader community.

In the past ten years we have faithfully followed these guidelines, building on the solid base of the Wayne Morse Chair by pursuing biennial themes of inquiry, supporting UO faculty through our Resident Scholar program, commissioning exciting new classes and public events, supporting Ph.D. and law graduate students, and adding a new Politics and Policy Program coordinated by Professor Dan Tichenor.

We celebrated the “10 - 30 Anniversary” at a symposium and reception on November 19, 2010. Former occupants of the Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics spoke at a symposium and reception on November 19, 2010. Former occupants of the Wayne Morse Chair were honored, along with the founders and advisers to the center. The center was created to expand the activities and broaden the reach of the Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics.

The Wayne Morse Center welcomes Rebecca Flynn as administrator. We thank Elizabeth Weber for five years of dedicated and capable work during the center’s recent growth spurt. Rebecca Flynn has deep experience in both law and politics, having been an organizer and staff member for numerous grassroots organizations, most recently Basic Rights Oregon and previously the ACLU, the Human Rights Campaign, Green Corps and the Endangered Species Coalition. Rebecca has a JD from Harvard Law School (2003) where she was an editor of the Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review. After law school she clerked for Justice Robert D. (Skip) Durham at the Oregon Supreme Court and worked in the Oregon Department of Justice as general counsel to state natural resources agencies.

Robert Smith, Morse’s first biographer, attended the celebration and commented in an Eugene Register-Guard article:

“No other political figure I covered in 27 years as the Washington correspondent for The Register-Guard stirred up half the controversy as the colorful Oregon solon. Few took as much abuse from their constituents as Morse when public opinion ran against him. For that reason alone, I was stunned to find such manifestations of adulation now that he is gone...The ongoing programs and publications of the Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics at the university...are quite remarkable. A living memorial such as this is a superior way of perpetuating the spirit and the work for which he was noted.”

As the founding director for the Wayne Morse Center, I have immense pride in the center and feel truly privileged to help build the legacy of Wayne Morse.

Thanking Margie Paris
Margie Paris took the deanship at the UO School of Law five years ago and lent her many talents to building a collegial and successful college. Her accomplishments at the law school are known to many, but we want to recognize her for her steadfast support and creative contributions to the Wayne Morse Center. Margie has been central to the growth of the center. Her vision of law and politics is expansive, and she supported the Morse Center in becoming one of the law school bridges to the community and other disciplines on campus. We welcome incoming dean Michael Moffitt as cochair of our advisory board in 2011.

“Tichenor. —Morse biographer A. Robert Smith, on the Wayne Morse Center

Transitions at the Wayne Morse Center

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By SUZI STEFFEN

A Pacific Northwest farm holds the record for wheat bushels per acre, far outstripping any wheat farms in Kansas. In some farms in Oregon, farmers are sitting down to meals with their Latino farm workers and have started to think about passing farm ownership to those who do the work. The young farmer movement isn’t only alive, but actively networking. Science, spirituality and the humanities, combined with an ethic of social justice, infuse the world of food with meaning and hope for a future of fair, equitable resource use.

That’s a fraction of the information from the Wayne Morse Center’s Food Justice conference, which ran Feb. 18-21 at the University of Oregon. The conference opened with reading of the play Salmon Is Everything at the UO’s Longhouse, where director Theresa May and the Klamath Theater Project were pleased to see conference keynote speaker Vandana Shiva in attendance. Shiva spoke at the end of the conference, but people snapped up the room-capacity 664 free tickets for her keynote speech more than a month before the event. Technology broadened the reach of her speech; those who couldn’t get in watched a live feed in an overflow room or from home via livestream. Keynote speaker Frederick Kirschenmann, a fellow of the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture in Ames, Iowa, was also livestreamed.

In the breakout sessions on Sunday and Monday, topics ranged from food insecurity to how to keep poetry, art and literature about food justice in the spotlight. Facts mounted up: Though food insecurity runs around 21 percent for all adults in Oregon, for Latino adults — almost all of whom are farm workers — the rate is 45 percent. The average age of a farmer in the U.S. is 57, and about 50 percent of farmers older than 60 are planning to retire in the next decade. Tom Lively of Organically Grown Company provided the start of a solution: helping older white farmers connect to their younger, mostly Latino farm workers in order to provide both more food justice for the workers and the possibility of leadership and ownership of farms in the future.

Gastronomica founder and editor Darra Goldstein, Monday morning’s keynote speaker, made the crowd laugh by saying that the magazine focuses on “the dark side of food” rather than “Tuscan sun food writing.” Her focus on beautiful artwork, poetry and thoughtful academic articles about food complemented the conference’s art exhibit. Conference organizer Allison Carruth, assistant professor of English and Wayne Morse Center Resident Scholar, brought the work of six artists together for an exhibit in Lawrence Hall.

The conference was attended by more than 1,000, including farmers, underground punk chefs, students, activists and scholars. Shiva ended the conference with a call for food activists to keep fighting against genetically engineered seeds and for the rights of farmers and consumers to have non-GMO crops and food.

Farming, art and social equity
Hundreds participate in ‘Food Justice: Community, Equity and Sustainability’ conference

Vandana Shiva may be the most popular occupant of the Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics. Her three-week visit in winter 2011 was studded with speeches, meetings, interviews and forums with students, faculty, farmers, food activists, elected officials, and scholars from many disciplines.

In diverse settings, she told the inspirational story of her campaign against genetically modified seeds in India and the creation of Navdanya or “9 Seeds,” an organization that works with farmers to save seeds and restore organic cultivation.

She told how she turned from quantum theory physics to help women organize to save their water from destructive mining by Coca-Cola. “For me, ecology and feminism are inseparable,” she said.

But most of all, Dr. Shiva is a crusader for democracy. Food justice, environmental justice and social justice are all necessary components of democracy. “When you get your ethics right, the living economy will follow naturally,”

Despite the spread of industrial agriculture, she remains hopeful and a powerful spokesperson for environmental justice.

Vandana Shiva lights up Oregon

Food Justice Links
Food Justice website:
waynemorcenter.uoregon.edu/foodjustice

full Twitter replay of the #foodjustice hashtag:
By DAN TICHENOR  
Wayne Morse Center Senior Faculty Fellow

For months, a prominent lawmaker listened restively to influential colleagues on Capitol Hill as they bashed immigrants for threatening national security, taking jobs, overburdening public services, and spurring a “flood” of crimes. Fervent racial and cultural animosities toward newcomers often lurked just below the surface of these popular appeals. The nativist messages resonated with his constituents, who wrote in favor of draconian restrictions on immigrant admissions and rights by an overwhelming margin.

Yet this lawmaker saw immigration reform as a matter of conscience, and he used his “bully pulpit” to vigorously denounce anti-immigrant arguments as cynical, immoral, and fundamentally at odds with American liberal and egalitarian ideals. After noting “long-time citizens of the United States were saying the same things about Irish immigrants” that contemporary restrictionists are saying about new arrivals, he also underscored that hostility toward immigrants undercut U.S. economic growth and relations with other countries.

“Our country and our economy are strong and healthy enough to welcome these people and be helped by them,” he declared.

This impassioned response may remind you of today’s headlines or a recent segment of Hardball with Chris Matthews, but it in fact describes Senator Wayne Morse as he denounced xenophobia and endorsed refugee relief during the McCarthy Era. Morse was an early supporter of the Immigration Reform Act of 1965 that dismantled the exclusionary national origins quota system. And while other lawmakers pressured the Immigration and Naturalization Service to look the other way when agribusinesses in their states used unauthorized farm workers, Morse simply asked the agency for a monthly list of Oregon immigrants who became citizens so he could send each a letter celebrating their full membership.

Given this independent-minded senator’s principled stand on the issue, it is quite fitting that the Wayne Morse Center has become home to a new immigration policy group that brings together scholars across various disciplines and units at the University of Oregon. Their research expertise stretches from transnational identities and international migratory patterns to state proposition battles and the Oregon immigrant experience over time. These scholars are equally committed to service, and their contributions range from briefing congressional committees on national policy choices to community conversations in Lane County on integrating newcomers.

The group has three basic aims. The first is to foster intellectual exchange on international migration and citizenship through regular inter-disciplinary workshops spotlighting the research and service of faculty and graduate students. The second is to provide a clearinghouse that informs members and the larger university community about events, grants, programs, and other opportunities for those interested in international migration and citizenship issues. The final goal is to bring to campus world-class scholars, political leaders, and community organizers who work in this area to shed light on a subject where there is often too much smoke.

Next academic year, the Morse Public Affairs Speaker Series will place special emphasis on immigration and citizenship.

Few issues on the public agenda are more contentious than immigration and the rights of non-citizens. A few weeks before the tragic shootings in Tucson, I joined a small group of political leaders, administration officials, scholars, and advocates in Washington to discuss the daunting hurdles to fixing our nation’s broken immigration system as well as the corrosive effects of anti-immigrant discourse in public debate.

The immigration policy group at the Morse Center aspires at least in a modest way to enhance our shared understanding of international migration and the experiences of immigrants and their children, past and present.

Immigration policy group follows in footsteps of Morse

Public Affairs Speaker Series brings a variety of scholars and experts to the University of Oregon

From alternate perspectives on U.S. history to elections and immigration, the Wayne Morse Center’s Public Affairs Speaker Series provided unique and informed discussions on political issues.

The series, organized by Wayne Morse Senior Faculty Fellow Dan Tichenor, featured journalists, authors, historians, scholars, and political analysts.

The series kicked off in October with author Thaddeus Russell, who spoke on the “Renegade History of the United States.” His talk was followed by “The Tea Parties Today,” in which historian and journalist Rick Perlstein gave a historical perspective to today’s political climate.

Next up was a post-election roundtable, in which a panel dissected the election and what it meant for the state and country. Ray Marshall, former Secretary of Labor and former Wayne Morse Chair, spoke on “Immigration for Shared Prosperity” to round out the fall lineup.

Scholar Lisa Garcia Bedolla began the winter term with a talk on voter mobilization. She was followed by a panel discussion on “Obama and the Politics of Polarization” and Hiroshi Motomura and Rogers Smith on the rights of immigrants. Mary Dudziak finished out the year with a lecture on “War Time: A Critical History.”

A Renegade History of the United States author Thaddeus Russell signs books after his lecture October 12, 2010. He is joined by Wayne Morse Fellow Nicole White.
A plan to avert climate disaster

NASA scientist James Hansen says immediate action is needed

By JEFF KANE
Wayne Morse Fellow

Dr. Hansen noted the gap in knowledge between the scientific community and the public. Echoing Senator Morse’s faith in an informed American electorate, Dr. Hansen explained that the sticking point is not the lack of scientific consensus, but that scientific information is getting muddled for the American people.

To maintain a livable climate, the directive is simple: Halt the use of coal as soon as possible, leave remaining reserves of fossil fuels in the ground, and restore the forests and sequester as much carbon as possible in trees and soil.

The obstacles to the needed change, Hansen said, are the President and Congress, which are beholden to the industries responsible for creating the climate crisis. Dr. Hansen believes that taking these issues to the courts may be the only way to get Earth back in balance. He advised the audience to stay tuned for future legal action on behalf of children, evoking a standing ovation.

The event was sponsored by the Wayne Morse Center and the Environment and Natural Resources Law Program.

“Stabilizing climate is a moral issue, a matter of intergenerational justice.”

—Dr. James Hansen,
Wayne Morse Distinguished Speaker
Rich lineup of speakers, scholars and events

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Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics
Dale Jamieson, Fall 2009
His books Ethics and the Environment: An Introduction, and Morality’s Progress: Essays on Humans, Other Animals, and the Rest of Nature are standard texts in environmental ethics. He taught a seminar, “Climate Ethics and Law,” and gave a public address on “The Moral and Political Challenges of Climate Change.”

Maxine Burkett, Fall 2010
Burkett is an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Hawaii and inaugural director of the Center on Island Resiliency and Climate Policy. She taught Climate Change Law and Policy and delivered a public address on “In Search of Refuge: Climate-Induced Migration.”

Dr. Vandana Shiva, Winter 2011
Shiva is a renowned scientist, eco-feminist and activist on issues of agriculture and food, bioethics, globalization, gender, and the worldwide impacts of climate change. She is the author of Earth Democracy, Stolen Harvest and many other books. Dr. Shiva visited classes in environmental studies and spoke at a major conference on food justice, the annual Public Interest Environmental Law Conference and several other events.

Distinguished Speakers
Rebecca Tsosie, Professor of Law and director of the Indian Legal Program at Arizona State University, on “Native Nations and Climate Change: Building an Ethics of Environmental Stewardship.”

James J. McCarthy, Harvard University climate scientist and cochair of the Nobel Peace Prize winning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, on “Climate Change: What if Politics Fails Us?”

James E. Hansen, director of NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies, on “The Global Warming Time Bomb.”

Dr. Fred Kirschenmann, distinguished fellow at the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture, on “Food Security in a Changing World: Expanding the Vision of Sustainable Agriculture.”

Gustave Speth, Professor of Law at the Vermont Law School and Distinguished Senior Fellow at Demos, on “Why Environmental Law Cannot Solve Environmental Problems.”

Resident Scholars
Adell Amos, Professor of Law, was on leave during 2009-11 while serving as Deputy Solicitor for Land and Water Resources, Department of the Interior, in Washington, D.C. She spoke on “Water Wars: Climate Change and Water Disputes.”

Richard Hildreth, Professor of Law and Director of the Ocean and Coastal Law Project, organized a conference on “Ocean Impacts of Climate Change: Science, People and Policy.”

Allison Carruth, Assistant Professor of English and core faculty member in Environmental Studies, convened a major conference on “Food Justice: Community, Equity and Sustainability.”

Derrick Hindery, assistant professor of International Studies, researched “Gas at What Cost? Social, Environmental and Political Impacts of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Projects and Climate Justice.”

Dissertation Fellow
Shangrila Joshi Wynn, a Ph.D. student in Geography and Environmental Science, examined issues of equity and justice in climate change policy with a focus on the role of India.

Conferences
Resident Scholar Dale Jamieson convened this symposium featuring Steve Gardner, Morse Chair Dale Jamieson, Kathleen Dean Moore, and Jan Odendaal.

“Saving the Planet for Future Generations,” November 11, 2010
The Wayne Morse Center presented this panel featuring Edith Bruck of Georgetown Law, professor Mary Wulff of NASA, scientist John Davie of Stanford University, Mary Goudie of Global Climate Change, and activists Brent Neufeld of Demos, and Tiki Blanford of Greenpeace.

A symposium organized by Resident Scholar Dale Jamieson. Participants included Meg Caldwell of Stanford University, Ruckleshaus of NOAA, Morse Chair Maxine Burkett, and many other experts.

Food Justice: Community, Equity and Sustainability,” February 19-21, 2010
A conference organized by Resident Scholar Dale Jamieson. The event examined the history, present and future of our food system with a focus on environmental and social justice.

Cosponsored events
Jamaica for Sale, by Documentarian Esther Figueroa, left, speaks with Wayne Morse Chair Maxine Burkett after a screening of Figueroa’s documentary, Jamaica for Sale, at the Knight Law Center on September 27, 2010.
Rich lineup of speakers, scholars and events made climate theme a success.

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Events include:

- **November 13, 2009**: Resident Scholar Ted Toadvine convened this symposium featuring Steve Gardiner of UW, Morse Chair Dale Jamieson, Kathleen Dean Moore of OSU, and Jan Odenbaugh of PSU.

- **March 11, 2010**: The Wayne Morse Law Fellows presented this panel discussion featuring Edith Brown Weiss of Georgetown Law, UO law professor Mary Wood, political scientist John Davidson and activists Brent Newell, Jeremy Blanchard and Tim Ream.

- **September 10, 2010**: A symposium organized by Resident Scholar Richard Hildreth featured speakers Meg Caldwell of Stanford University, Mary Ruckleshaus of NOAA and Morse Chair Maxine Burkett.

- **February 19-21, 2011**: A conference organized by Resident Scholar Allison Carruth examined the history, present and future of our food system with a focus on environmental justice and ethics. Read more [here](#).

Cosponsored Events and Projects:

- **“Jungle Law: Battling Chevron-Texaco in the Ecuadorian Amazon”**
  - Pablo Fajardo, 2008 Goldman Prize winner.

- **“Advocating for an Environment of Equality: Legal and Ethical Duties in a Changing Climate”**
  - UO Journal of Environmental Law and Litigation.

- **Tribal Climate Change Forum**
  - Cosponsored with the USDA Forest Service and UO Law’s Environmental and Natural Resources Center.

- **“Equity and Green Jobs: Worker Participation in Oregon’s Emerging Green Economy”**
  - UO Labor Education and Research Center.

- **Junior Climate Stewards**
  - UO Climate Leadership Initiative and the Institute for a Sustainable Environment.

- **Climate Equity in the Schools**
  - UO Institute for Sustainability Education and Ecology and the UO Environmental Leadership Program.

- **“American Indian Tribes and Climate Change Adaptation Planning”**
  - Katie MacKendrick, UO masters student in community and regional planning.

- **Cool Congregation**
  - Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon and Oregon Interfaith Power and Light.

- **Huerto de la Familia/The Family Garden**
  - Expanding gardens and small farms in the Latino community.

- **Cool School Challenge**
  - Environmental Leadership Program.

- **Clean Energy and Safe Environment Project**
  - The Western Environmental Law Center.

- **“Soil Not Oil: Climate Change, Peak Oil, and Food Justice”**
  - Speech by Dr. Vandana Shiva, the World Affairs Council of Oregon International Speaker Series.

- **“Turning the Tide: Creating a Clean and Green Future”**
  - 2011 Public Interest Environmental Law Conference organized by UO Land Air Water students.

- **Writing competition on “Cultivating Our Future: New Landscapes in Food and Agricultural Law and Policy”**
  - Journal of Environmental Law and Litigation.

- **Teacher training**
  - BRING Recycling's training for local teachers.

Above, a new generation of climate warriors enthusiastically listens to James Hansen’s address on “The Global Warming Time Bomb.” Left, UO Law Professor Mary Wood speaks on “The Public Trust in Oceans: The Judicial Role” at the “Ocean Impacts of Climate Change” conference.
It is not very often that I have the chance to take a class via videoconferencing with students from the University of Hawaii. To be precise, I have never, in my nineteen years of education, had an opportunity to take a joint class with students in another state.

In spite of the teaser that their consistently sunny weather provided, it was a very special experience to bring our schools’ different perspectives to one place. A small island state, such as Hawaii, has a very different political and social perspective on why and how we address climate change. Here on the mainland, we often discuss how difficult it is to motivate change without an imminent and immediate threat of danger, but in Hawaii those motivations are completely present. Additionally, there was a wonderful sense of solidarity between our classes since both Oregon and Hawaii are states where nature is revered.

We were honored to have visiting Wayne Morse Chair Maxine Burkett lead this class. She truly exemplifies the passion for protecting our planet and the people on it that is necessary to lead the way towards climate solutions.

Maxine Burkett details impacts of climate change on poor communities

The Wayne Morse Center was pleased to host Maxine Burkett as Wayne Morse Chair in Fall 2010. Burkett is an associate professor of law at the University of Hawaii and inaugural director of the Center for Island Climate Adaptation and Policy. Her work focuses on climate justice and the disparate impact of climate change on poor and of-color communities. As director of the Center for Island Climate Adaptation and Policy, she leads projects to address climate change law and policy in the context of small island states and communities.

During her time at the University of Oregon, Professor Burkett taught Climate Change Law and Policy with law professor and Resident Scholar Richard Hildreth. The class included UO law students, as well as students at the University of Hawaii who joined via online videoconferencing. Burkett also participated in a conference, “Ocean Impacts of Climate Change: Science, People and Policy,” and delivered a public address titled “In Search of Refuge: Climate Justice and Climate-Induced Migration.”

Monograph shows strength of Morse’s commitment to truth and due process

The fourth issue in our monograph series celebrating the legacy of Senator Morse was published in 2010. Jilian Clearman, a Wayne Morse law fellow who graduated in 2010, wrote “Wayne Morse and Harry Bridges: I Hold a Brief for Truth,” a compelling account of a vignette in the life of Wayne Morse.

In the late 1930s, Morse was the arbitrator of maritime disputes on the Pacific Coast. He dealt with Harry Bridges, the head of the longshore and workers’ union. As an up and coming public figure, Morse had every reason to avoid association with Bridges, a radical labor leader and purported communist. But he testified on Bridges’ behalf at two hearings on the question of whether Bridges should be deported to his native Australia.

The subtitle of the monograph, “I Hold a Brief for Truth,” comes from a letter Morse wrote explaining why he testified for Bridges – because he was a stickler for the truth and due process, arguing that the government did not have just cause to bring up the labor leader for deportation.

The monograph series is cosponsored by the Wayne Morse Historical Park Board.
As part of the Wayne Morse Center’s 2011-12 theme of “From Wall Street to Main Street: Capitalism and the Common Good,” the center will support two resident scholars, two dissertation fellows, and six university and community projects.

**Project Grants**

**Common Cause Oregon:** Political and Economic Fairness Education Project. Common Cause will bring Robert Reich to Eugene and Portland to discuss economic inequality and its impact on our democracy.

**Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group (OSPIRG):** Bringing Wall Street to Main Street. OSPIRG will write a guide to Wall Street reform and convene a symposium on financial and regulatory reform.

**UO International Studies:** Symposium on Slow Money. International Studies will bring Woody Tasch to the UO to discuss opportunities for investment in community-based sustainable businesses.

**UO Office of Sustainability:** UO Green Purchasing Network. The UO will develop a network for faculty and staff to apply environmental and social considerations to university purchasing.

**Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noreste (PCUN):** Agricultural Wealth in the Mid-Willamette Valley. Student interns will research agricultural wealth in the Willamette Valley and develop education curriculum for PCUN’s CAPACES Leadership Institute.

**Huerto de la Familia (The Family Garden):** Creating Latino Microenterprises. UO interns will help support the mission of garden access and building food-based micro-enterprises in the local Latino community.

**UO Honors College and Selected Faculty:** Textbooks for Honors College Courses for High School Students. UO faculty are organizing college courses for local students on days that schools will be closed due to budget cuts. Topics will include unemployment, financial and regulatory reform and the role of government in the economy.

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**Resident Scholars**

**Michael Fakhri**

Assistant Professor, School of Law


As a Wayne Morse Resident Scholar, Michael Fakhri will continue his historical examination of the sugar trade and its relationship to the creation of multilateral trade institutions. Although international trade has grown and despite frequent changes in institutional designs and development theories, current free trade policies favor tariff reductions and effectively foreclose discussions of market regulation. Fakhri uses sugar trade as a case study to trace shifting trade policies and the socio-political processes around them.

As resident scholar, Fakhri will organize a symposium on “Third World Approaches to International Law” that will focus on globalization and capitalism.

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**Katharine Meehan**

Assistant Professor, Department of Geography

“The Urban Commons: Informal Water Futures and the Post capitalist City.”

Katie Meehan is a geographer with research interests in urban political ecology, sustainable water governance, social theory, and informal settlements in the global South.

According to Meehan, cities in the global South face unprecedented challenges to urban sustainability and equitable development. Meehan’s project examines how poor urban dwellers in Mexico create and maintain informal water provision “commons” and the limits and possibilities of the commons as a development strategy in the context of urban fragmentation and neoliberal restructuring of public services.

During her residency at the Wayne Morse Center, Professor Meehan will organize a workshop on “The Urban Commons” focusing on how localities can build diverse economies.

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**Dissertation Fellows**

**Johanna Luttrell, Philosophy**

“Gender, Alienation and Dignity in the Global Slums”

Luttrell’s dissertation explores the condition of female global poverty, and particularly women who live in the slums of “developing” countries.

She explores issues of alienation and the oppression of women that result from the demands of global capitalism. She suggests we need a more robust theory of human dignity, drawing from the current conversation on the “capabilities approach” and human rights approaches to economic development.

Luttrell lived and taught in the slums of Guayaquil, Ecuador, and studied in the maquiladora zone near the U.S. border. She graduated from DePaul University in 2006.

**Clinton Sandvick, History**

“Defining the Practice of Medicine: Law, Society and Medical Licensure from 1865 to 1915”

Sandvick examines the passage, enforcement and consolidation of medical licensing laws in the U.S in the crucial era of 1865-1915. These laws sought to tame a chaotic medical field comprised of doctors advocating various medical therapies. State medical boards prosecuted practitioners such as midwives, osteopaths, opticians and other healers. By eliminating unorganized practitioners and ending the medical free market, these actions laid the foundation for modern medicine and medical education.

Sandvick graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Law and practiced law in California for seven years.
Alumni Spotlight

Tiffany Harris
Since graduating from law school in 2001 I have lived, worked and played in Portland. My first job was as a litigation associate at Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt. Schwabe provided top-notch training and working relationships with some of the best civil attorneys in Oregon, but it wasn’t a great fit. I tended to sniff around for work not on the billable menu. I wrote a legal memorandum on Title IX, pro bono, for a high school softball coach to use in hostile budget negotiations. I worked with the Oregon State Bar to develop a loan repayment assistance program for attorneys in public interest law. And I took a leave of absence to work in Salem for the legislative committee charged with hashing out the domestic partnership and gay rights bills that became law in 2007.

I left Schwabe in 2007 to become a trial lawyer at the public defender’s office, where I had the most exciting time yet in my legal career. I represented indigent defendants in a range of misdemeanor cases. One of many highlights was the successful challenge of an indecent exposure charge under Article I, Section 8 (Oregon’s free speech clause) on behalf of bicycling activist who rode naked through a neighborhood arts festival to protest reliance on gas-guzzling cars.

In 2009, a criminal defense lawyer I admire asked me to second chair a five-week felony trial with her in Central Oregon. After the trial, she formed Pacific Northwest Law, LLP, and I became one of its six lawyers. I enjoy my work and continue to draw on my experience at the public defender’s office for inspiration and courage.

Matt O’Brien
After graduating, I had the opportunity to clerk for Judge Alfred Goodwin on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in Pasadena, California. A highlight of my clerkship was hearing Judge Goodwin tell stories of the time he spent with Wayne Morse as Morse campaigned for office. Wayne Morse and Judge Goodwin both began their legal careers in Eugene and quickly rose to prominent positions. I think they shared a particular sensibility owing to their Oregon roots, which never let them lose their moral compasses despite their professional successes.

My clerkship with Judge Goodwin was inspiring. After more than fifty years as a judge in state and federal courts, his wisdom is surpassed only by his remarkable humility and sense of humor. I am happy to report that Judge Goodwin has hired several Wayne Morse Fellows in a row. Megan Thompson (’08) and Tim Ream (’10) followed in my footsteps and have had similarly rewarding experiences.

I decided to stay in Los Angeles after my clerkship, much to my surprise. It’s not quite Oregon, of course, but the beaches, mountains, and deserts down here provide a welcome respite from big-city life. I work at a small law firm, Caldwell Leslie & Proctor, focusing on white-collar criminal defense and commercial litigation. Learning how to be a litigator has been a challenging experience, but an exciting and rewarding one.

Morse Fellows Alumni Update

Dissertation Fellows
• Jen Erikson is Assistant Professor of Anthropology at Ball State University
• Camille Walsh has a prestigious postdoctoral fellowship at Maurer School of Law at Indiana University

Law Fellows
• James McCurdy was made a partner at Lindsay, Hart, Neil + Weigler
• Martha Pellegrino was promoted to Director of Government Relations for the City of Portland
• Celia Howes gave birth to Louise Evangeline in November 2010
• Brooke Meakins formed her own law practice in Oakland, California.
• Megan Thompson now clerks for Hon Milan Smith of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals
• Ellen Range works for the Umpqua Valley Public Defenders Office
• Tim Ream is a clerk for Hon. Ted Goodwin of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals
• Sarah Peterson formed Metcalfe and Peterson LLC with Joe Metcalfe, and she gave birth to Cormac Peter Metcalfe in January 2010
• Karen Ellis Carr sits on the Pro Bono committee for Arent Fox LLP in Washington, D.C.
• Sarah Mann Subias is participating in the 2010-2011 Leadership Eugene Springfield program
• John Branam married Kimberly Schneider Branam on New Year’s Eve, 2010.

Dissertation Fellow receives Fulbright
Wayne Morse Dissertation Fellow Thomas Nail was awarded a Fulbright Eco-Leadership Program Grant to support and expand the Garden Education and Access program with Huerto de la Familia (The Family Garden) in Spring 2011. The Garden Education and Access program offers organic gardening instruction to low-income Latino families and provides plants, seeds, gardening materials, workshops on health-related issues and food preservation, and subsidized garden plots at three community gardens in Eugene.

This isn’t the first Fulbright funding that Thomas, a Ph.D. candidate in the UO Philosophy Department, has received. He was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship last year to support his work and research with the migrant justice group No One is Illegal in Toronto, Ontario.
Internships provide valuable experience for Wayne Morse fellows

Kiran Sahdev
I spent the summer and fall researching climate change and water law as an intern at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Bonn, Germany, and at the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe in Geneva, Switzerland.

My research focused on examining measurement, reporting, verification, and compliance issues under several major international agreements. Both internships provided unprecedented learning opportunities and insight into the sphere of international environmental law, affording me the opportunity to observe international negotiations and participate in the ensuing legal and political discussions.

Drew Johnston
Wayne Morse once said, “I am perfectly aware of the fact that in taking the position I do, I take a position contrary . . . to the present prevailing majority opinion in America.” As the Wayne Morse Intern for U.S. Senator Ron Wyden during the summer of 2010, I believe some of Senator Morse’s maverick spirit lives on in the current Senator.

Most would choose the adjective “brainy” over “maverick” to describe Senator Wyden. But in the hyper-partisan political climate of America and the Senate, Wyden’s successful practice of principled bipartisanship was admirable. Though some of my overall experience was soured by obstruction and delay in the Senate, it was refreshing to see Senator Wyden continue his dogged and often productive pursuit of cross-party solutions.

Aaron Kraft
During the summer of 2010 I interned at Advocates for the West, a non-profit, public interest environmental law firm in Boise, Idaho. Advocates kept me busy from the very first day.

My work assignments included: drafting a summary judgment brief in a Clean Water Act suit against EPA, drafting comments for EPA’s Draft NPDES Pesticide General Permit, and drafting a legal memo on potential challenges to the NPDES Pesticide General Permit.

I am proud of my work at Advocates. I feel particularly good about the comments I wrote for the EPA Draft NPDES Pesticide General Permit. I worked with several Idaho-focused environmental groups and represented their concerns to EPA in a meaningful way. Furthermore, my comments—particularly with input from the lawyers at Advocates—put EPA on notice about serious deficiencies in the Draft PGP.

Brent Wilkins
In the summer of 2010, I had the privilege of serving as a law clerk for the Western Environmental Law Center. My work focused on WELC’s Project CEASE, Clean Energy and Safe Environment, which is dedicated to creating a sustainable energy economy. Project CEASE was funded in part by a Wayne Morse Center project grant.

My clerkship provided invaluable experience and sharpened my legal skills. I obtained a firm grasp of agency action by reviewing administrative records and writing comments on permits before administrative agencies. Moreover, I learned how to develop legal strategies based on statutory and regulatory authorities. I also honed my ability to comprehend statutory and regulatory schemes quickly.
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In Memoriam—Nicholas Joseph Aiken Klonoski

“Politics isn’t about observations or predictions. Politics is what we create by what we do, what we hope for and what we dare to imagine.”

Nick Klonoski, son of Judge Ann Aiken and the late professor James Klonoski, died on December 17, 2010. He was remembered at a gathering of friends, family and community activists on January 6 of this year. Several speakers urged the audience to remember Nick by working even harder to make the world a better place, through politics and improved public policy. Nick himself was dedicated to politics and policy – he was a talented organizer for many campaigns and causes.

You can help carry on the legacy of Nick and his father, a beloved UO professor of political science, by contributing to the James Klonoski Graduate Fellowship at the Wayne Morse Center. Send your contributions in the enclosed envelope, marked for the Klonoski Fellowship.

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