

# *International Studies Newsletter*

Rowan University, Fall 2018-Spring 2019



## **Fall Lectures**

Monday, Nov. 12, Dr. Sarah Bush (pictured, left), conducted a lecture on foreign influence and the promotion of democracy in international politics. Bush is the Associate Professor of Political Science at Yale University and a Research Fellow at the MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies. (cont. pg. 3)

Tuesday, Dec. 4, Glenn McDorman (bottom right) presented on the history of chemical warfare. McDorman is a Psi Iota Fellow at Princeton University (Cont. pg. 2)

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## **Important Deadlines**

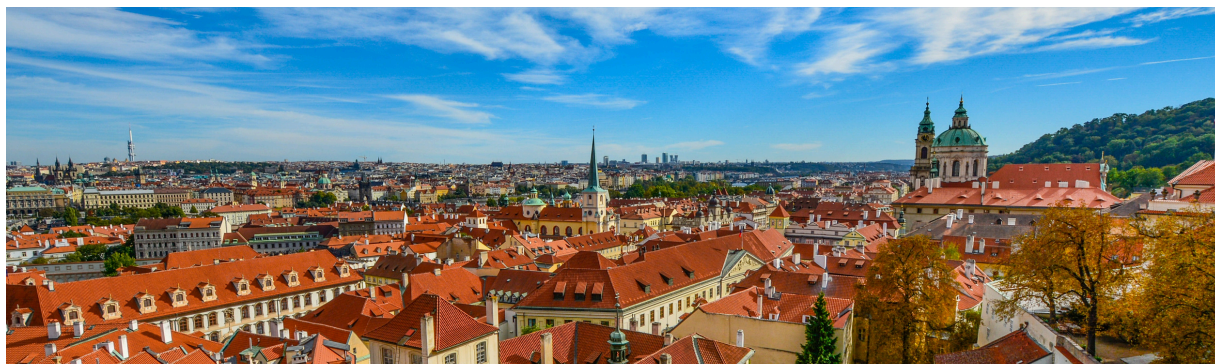
### **STUDY ABROAD APPLICATIONS**

Summer Applications: Friday, March 1  
Fall Applications: Tuesday, March 26  
Spring Applications: Thursday, Sept. 26

### **SIGMA IOTA RHO APPLICATIONS**

2019 Applications: Wednesday, Feb. 27





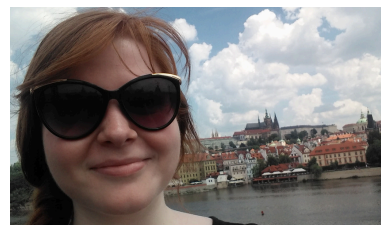
## Student News

Elizabeth Mosolovich (pictured, below) was a virtual press intern for the U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.



In previous years, Elizabeth has also had two articles published online with the online Sigma Iota Rho Journal of International Relations

Olivia Grasso (pictured, right) presented the paper "Discursive Arguments in Presidential State of the Union Addresses (1970-2016)", with Dr. Vilceanu at the International Communication Association's 68th annual conference in Prague.



*"I learned to be much more independent and sure of myself."*

*-Grasso, on lessons abroad*

Photos courtesy of Elizabeth Mosolovich and Olivia Grasso

### SIGMA IOTA RHO

Sigma Iota Rho is the honors society and campus organization for international studies students. To qualify for induction, students must be an IS major or minor with a minimum 3.3 overall GPA and 3.4 major GPA. Applications must be handed with payment by Wednesday, Feb. 27, to Ms. Theresa Gauthier in Robinson Hall 216.

## Rowan in the World presentation highlights historical relevance of chemical warfare

On Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2018, As part of the Rowan in the World series, Glenn McDorman presented on the use of chemical warfare throughout history.

Glenn McDorman is a Psi Iota Fellow at Princeton University. In his presentation, he brought individual experiences of chemical weapon victims to life

with emotional first-hand accounts and vivid historical photos. He also highlighted the cultural, psychological, and physical impact of chemical warfare, some soldiers even developing diseases years after returning from war.

McDorman also reminded students that chemical warfare is still significant

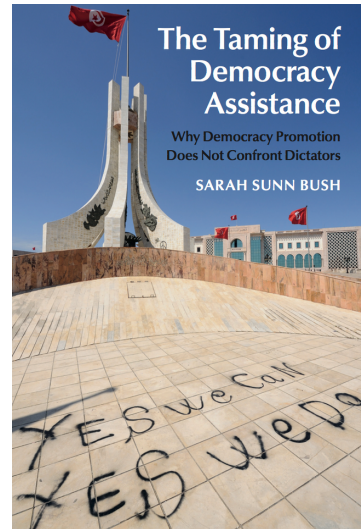
modern day, used as recently as the war in the Middle East. A former soldier himself, McDorman experienced gassing as part of his basic training. After this frightening experience, he became fascinated with the controversial war practice, making it the focus of his recent research.



# Yale researcher discusses international trends on centennial anniversary of Armistice

In commemoration of the 100-year anniversary of the World War I Armistice, Rowan students learned about modern-day global democracy. On Monday, Nov. 12, guest speaker Sarah Bush widened the political lens for a packed room of students in Winans Hall with a lecture on foreign influence and the promotion of democracy in international politics. Through both quantitative and qualitative research and nearly one hundred interviews, Bush suggests that the United States has become

less confrontational when it comes to democracy promotion in non-democratic countries. Bush focused her research on government systems in Jordan and Tunisia. Bush is an Associate Professor of Political Science at Yale University and a Research Fellow at the MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies. She also recently authored the book, "The Taming of Democracy Assistance: Why Democracy Promotion Does Not Confront Dictators."



Bush's book was published in 2015.  
Photo courtesy of Sarah Bush.

## Faculty Highlights

Professor Harriet Hartman spent five months (March-Aug, 2018) as a Visiting Research Fellow at the Avraham Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry at Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Israel.

Dr. Kelly Duke-Bryant presented the paper, "Vagrants, Thieves, and Unruly Children: Delinquency and Discourses of Childhood in Colonial Senegal, 1888-1928" at the 2019 Lees Seminar at Rutgers University.

Professor James Heinzen was awarded the prestigious Summer Stipend by the National Endowment for Humanities, and will spend the Summer in Russia doing research.

The International Studies department welcomes Michael Smith, ABD from the University of Delaware. Smith will be teaching the new Model U.N. course.

## Upcoming Events

### SPRING 2019

"President's Day Keynote Address"  
Erez Manela, Harvard University  
History Department  
Monday, Feb. 18, 2019  
6:00 - 7:30 p.m., Rowan Hall

"Talat Pasha's Killing Orders and Denial of Armenian Genocide"  
Dr. Paul B. Winkler  
Rowan Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies and the History Department  
Thursday, March 7, 2019  
7:00-8:30 p.m., Eynon Ballroom

### ROWAN GIVES DAY

Interested in supporting the International Studies department? Consider donating on Rowan Gives Day!  
Tuesday, March 5  
Visit [rowan.edu/rowangives](http://rowan.edu/rowangives) for more information. #RowanGIVES

**For more information on upcoming speakers, events and announcements check out the College of Humanities and Social Sciences' Events page.**