Ishiyama Named Missouri Professor of the Year

John Ishiyama, professor of political science and director of the Ronald E. McNair program, has been named the 2004 Missouri Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. This national recognition program, established in 1981, rewards outstanding professors for their dedication to teaching, commitment to students and innovative instructional methods.

Ishiyama joined the faculty at Truman in 1990. He received his bachelor’s degree from Bowling Green State University and his master’s degree from the University of Michigan and his doctorate from Michigan State University.

He was awarded the Governor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2003 and was selected as one of the 2003 class of Carnegie Scholars (awarded by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching). On the Truman campus he has been selected to receive the Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship of Faculty Excellence, which carries a $10,000 stipend, as well as the William O’Donnell Lee Advising Award. He has been a nominee and finalist numerous times for Truman’s student-sponsored Educator of the Year award. His teaching interests include comparative political development, democratization and political parties, and political methodology. He is the author or editor of three books, 64 refereed journal articles, four book chapters, 14 book reviews and numerous other publications. He is also a Research Fellow at the University of Kansas Center for Russian and East European Studies, a position he has had since 1999.

He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, the American Political Science Association, the Midwest Political Science Association, the International Studies Association and the Council on Undergraduate Research. He is also president of the Undergraduate Education Section of the American Political Science Association. Ishiyama has been named editor in chief for the new journal titled Journal of Political Science Education. He is co-book review editor for the journal International Politics and is on the editorial board of the journals Party Politics and Controversia.

This year there are winners in 45 states and the District of Columbia and four national winners. Ishiyama is the fifth Truman professor to win this statewide award.
Kohlenberg Lyceum Series Presents “Snow Queen”

The Kohlenberg Lyceum Series is proud to present the Hans Christian Andersen classic “Snow Queen.” This internationally acclaimed production will be performed by the Das Puppenspiel Puppet Theater at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Dec. 4, in Baldwin Auditorium.

In a faithful adaption of this classic tale of friendship and the power of love, a combination of exquisitely crafted ‘bunkaru’ and ‘body’ puppets are used to tell the story of little Gerda’s quest to find her friend Kai, who has been taken to the far north by the Snow Queen.

An original musical score and special effects further enhance the charm and adventure of Gerda’s search, which includes encounters with a wide array of colorful characters, including a magic ‘flower woman,’ a talking crow, a prince and princess, a dangerous ‘robber girl’ and even a larger-than-life sized reindeer, which Gerda rides. She eventually comes to Lappland and the Snow Queen’s Palace itself, where she and Kai find they have learned much about “growing older, but still having the hearts of children.”

Both whimsical and dramatic, the performance is ideal for family audiences ranging from pre-schoolers to adults.

Free tickets to “Snow Queen” are now available to students, faculty and staff, with a University ID at the Student Activities Board Office and the Center for Student Involvement, lower level of the Student Union Building.

For more information about the Kohlenberg Lyceum events, visit the Web site at http://lyceum.truman.edu or call 785.4016.

Rotary Foundation Scholarship Opportunities

The Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship offers students the opportunity for study in a foreign country. To be eligible for this scholarship program, students must have completed at least two years of college-level coursework or equivalent professional experience before commencing their scholarship studies, be proficient in the language of the host country and be a citizen of a country in which there is a Rotary Club.

The academic year scholarship covers transportation between home and the study city, some educational supplies, academic fees and reasonable housing and meals. Awards generally range from $11,000-$25,000, depending on actual costs at the assigned study institution. In return, the scholar is asked to be an ambassador of goodwill by making presentations in the host and sponsoring communities.

For more information or to pick up an application, contact Marilyn Romine, business and accountancy academic adviser, at 785.4268 or in Violette Hall 2431; Mark Hanley, professor of history, at 785.4098 or Baldwin Hall 253; or Matt Eichor, director of justice systems, at 785.4667 or Pershing Building 334. Information also is available at the Rotary International Web site, http://www.rotary.org. Applications are due Feb. 25, 2005, for planned international study between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2007. Applications should be returned to one of the contact people before 5 p.m., Feb. 25.

An informational meeting is scheduled for 4:30 p.m., Dec. 1, in Violette Hall 1400.

Assessment Internship Deadline Extended

The Assessment Committee has announced the extension of the assessment internship application deadline to 5 p.m., Dec. 3, in the Vice President for Academic Affairs’ Office. In addition, the assessment internship information is now online at http://assessment.truman.edu/internships.htm.

The assessment internships offer students a chance to explore the University’s assessment program in a variety of ways. Students must have junior or senior status and a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Four credits are awarded for the completion of the internship and students must work a minimum of 10 hours per week for one semester (based on 40 hours of work per credit hour).

Interested students should contact David Gillette at 785.4334 or gillette@truman.edu, or Marcie Kottemann at 785.4801 or marcie@truman.edu. Applications can be picked up from the Vice President for Academic Affairs’ Office.
Notables

Robin Becker, instructor of English, has had her short story “Things They Lose,” accepted for publication in Button Magazine, a New England journal of poetry, fiction and gracious living. The story will appear in the spring 2006 issue.

The Beta chapter of Phi Sigma Pi at Truman won the Campus Relations and PR award at the National Convention that was Nov. 20, in Memphis, Tenn. Twelve Truman members and one alumnus were in attendance.

Marijke Breuning, associate professor of political science, had her article “The International Relations of APSA” accepted for publication in the January 2005 issue of Political Science and Politics (a journal of the American Political Science Association).

Marijke Breuning, associate professor of political science; Joseph Bredehoft, junior political science major from Winfield, Kan.; and Eugene Walton, senior political science major and McNair Scholar from Florissant, Mo.; presented their paper “Promise and Performance: An Evaluation of Journals in International Relations” at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Midwest on Nov. 5 and Nov. 6, in St. Louis. Also, Walton, presented his paper “Public Opinion and Foreign Policy: The Impact of Race, Gender and Alienation on Perceptions of Military Interventions in Iraq.” In addition, John Ishiyama, professor of political science, presented his paper “Communist Successor Parties in Sub-Saharan Africa” and spoke on pedagogical research articles at a breakfast co-sponsored by the Journal of Political Science Education, which he is the editor in chief. He also presented a paper titled “Is There an ‘Authoritarian Peace’? Regime Types, Transitions and Conflict Proneness of Authoritarian States, 1950-2002” with Katherine Haggans, junior political science major from St. Louis. Ishiyama also received the Margaret G. Hermann Award for the best paper using text analysis in leadership studies. His paper is titled “Globalization and the Development of Left Parties” (presented at the 2002 meeting).

Sarah Cooper, senior health science major from Strafford, Mo., was honored as the 2004 Health Education Major of the Year by the American Association for Health Education.

Carol Cox, associate professor of health science, received the Missouri Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (Mo AHPERD) “Scholar of the Year” award Nov. 13, at the Annual Conference in Lake Ozark, Mo.


Magen Hembree, senior health science major from Greenfield, Mo., had her manuscript “Long-term administrators’ perceptions of the Ombudsmen program in the state of Missouri” accepted for publication in The Director: Journal of NADONA.

Jeffrey Vittengl, assistant professor of psychology, recently had two articles he co-authored accepted for publication. They are “Multiple Measures, Methods, and Moments: A factor-analytic investigation of change in depressive symptoms during acute phase cognitive therapy” in Psychological Medicine and “Validity of Sudden Gains in Acute Phase Treatment of Depression” in the Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology.

Global Issues Colloquium “Hunger and Malnutrition: Case Study, Missouri”

Presented by Robin Acree, executive director of GRO (Grass Roots Organizing) based in Mexico, Mo.

7 p.m.
Dec. 2
Violette Hall 1000

Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

Student Union Building celebrates Winter Around the World with Holiday Window Painting

Looking for a way to celebrate the end of the year?

The Student Union is looking for student organizations, academic departments and administrative offices to help celebrate the diverse end-of-year celebrations.

The participants will paint a window in the Take Five Game Room on the lower level of the SUB. Painting supplies will be provided.

Painting can begin immediately by visiting the SUB main office across from Mainstreet Market. This event will culminate with a reception on Dec. 9. Please contact the office at 785.4186 with any questions.

Volleyball Team Reaches Elite Eight

The Truman volleyball team will make its third trip in the last four years to the NCAA Division II Elite Eight. The third-ranked Bulldogs beat No. 10 Central Missouri on Nov. 20 in Pershing Arena, to win the South Central Regional and to advance to the national quarterfinals.

The team will take a perfect 35-0 overall record into the quarterfinals and will play against Queens College (N.Y.), the winner from the Northeast Region. The teams will play at noon, Dec. 2, at tournament host Barry University of Miami Shores, Fla.

The 2004 volleyball team celebrates their win against No. 10 Central Missouri Nov. 20. Pictured front row, left to right: Christine Wagener, Lauren Dickbernd and Annie Nickolai. Middle row, left to right: Alex Baker, Melanie Jones, Kelsey Wackerman, Sarah Shearman and Jessica Sears. Back row, left to right: Micaela Walter, Caroline Clark, Rebecca Knefelkamp, Hannah Lupardus, Amanda Holliday, Sara Harman, Marti Joyer, Megan Remley and Tiffany Graham.

Ryle Holiday Market

9 a.m. • Dec. 4 • Ryle Hall Main Lounge
Contact Mike Lueder at 785.5707 for more information.
The American Medical Student Association is selling one-pocket top, drawstring scrub pants in sizes XS-5XL. The colors include royal blue, navy, hunter green, jade, teal, burgundy, brick red, purple, white or black. They are $19.99 regularly, or $24.99 with the AMSA logo. Add an extra $2 for 2XL, $3 for 3XL, etc. Contact Brett at 785.5676 or email bap907@truman.edu for more information.

The Center for Teaching and Learning will have its Weekly Lunch Series for faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs at 12:30 p.m., Dec. 1, in the SUB Spanish Room. Chad Mohler, chairperson of the Teaching and Learning Technology Roundtable (TLTR), will be speaking. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

The Nursing Program is sponsoring a Candlelight Vigil for World AIDS Day at 8 p.m., Dec. 1, by the Flame to the Second Century outside of Kirk Building. Various nursing students will talk about the commemoration of those affected by HIV and AIDS. There also will be a march from the fountain to the flame at 7:30 p.m., for anyone who is interested. For more information, contact Gina Fettig at 665.8601.

The American Association of University Professors will have its monthly meeting at 4:30 p.m., Dec. 3, at the University Club. Contact Marc Becker at 785.6036 for more information.

The Board of Governors will meet at 9 a.m., Dec. 4, in the SUB Conference Room.

Truman’s Communication Disorders Association will be sponsoring a breakfast with Santa from 9 a.m.-noon, Dec. 4, at the Faith Lutheran Church. Tickets cost $4 for adults and $3 for children. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in the Speech and Hearing Clinic, BT 121. Proceeds go to the Early Literacy Lab. Contact Carrie Mills at 785.5856 for more information.

The SERVE Center is assisting with the third annual Holiday Tea scheduled for 1:45 p.m., Dec. 5, at the Kirkville Senior Living Campus. Admission is $5 in advance or $6 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at the SERVE Center. Contact the SERVE Center at 785.7222 for more information.

The Truman State University Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Sam McClure, will perform a concert at 4 p.m., Dec. 5, in OP Performance Hall. Violinist Geoffrey Michaels will join the orchestra for a performance of the Beethoven “Violin Concerto.” Other works will include “First Essay for Orchestra” by Samuel Barber, “Nocturnes” by Claude Debussy, and “Slavonic Dance No. 5” by Dvorak. The concert is free and open to the public. Contact Sam McClure at smcclure@truman.edu for more information.

Dobson Radio will broadcast an interview with Professor Noam Chomsky from 4-4:30 p.m., Dec. 8, on 107.5 FM. DJ Ted Wright will air the half-hour exclusive.

Minor Detail will have a Christmas Concert at 6 p.m., Dec. 10, in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is free. Contact Kristin Samuelson at 665.1666 or minordetail02@yahoo.com for more information.

The Kirkville Annual Holiday Bird Count will be at 6:30 a.m., Dec. 11, in MG 2024. Participants will count any birds encountered within 7.5 miles of downtown Kirkville to help assess change in avian abundance and distribution. Participants do not need to be experienced bird watchers. The Chariton Valley Audubon Society will provide doughnuts, fruit, hot chocolate and coffee. Contact Pete Goldman at 785.4632 or pgoldman@truman.edu for more information.

Cantoria and Chamber Choir will have their annual fund-raiser Pancake Day from 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Dec. 11, at the First Christian Church. All-you-can-eat pancakes will be available for $3.50. Members of the two groups will be caroling. Contact Kelsie Morgan at 627.6230 or d1739@truman.edu for more information.

The Franklin Street Fall Concert will be at 8 p.m., Dec. 11, in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is free. For more information, contact Jacqueline Collett at jcollett@truman.edu.

Phi Kappa Phi announces Study/Internship Abroad grants worth $1,000 for Phi Kappa Phi members and non-members in all fields of study. Eligible students must have between 56 and 90 semester hours as of Jan. 15, 2005, and have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. The study abroad experience must take place between May 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006. Applications are due Jan. 15, 2005. Details and applications may be picked up in the Center for International Education, or from Wynne Wilbur, OP 1229 or 785.4435.

The Women’s and Gender Studies Committee announces a call for papers “Renewing the Movement” for Truman’s 10th annual conference in honor of Women’s History Month, March 3-5, 2005. The committee invites abstracts from all members of the Truman and Kirkville communities, including Truman graduates. The deadline for abstracts is Jan. 26, 2005. For more information, contact Linda Seidel at lseidel@truman.edu.

Phi Kappa Phi announces Graduate Fellowships worth $2,000-$5,000 for graduate study. Truman PKP active members who plan to be a full-time graduate student next year should submit applications to the local chapter office by Feb. 1, 2005. Details and applications may be picked up in the Center for International Education, or from Wynne Wilbur, OP 1229 or 785.4435.

Staff Council seeks staff members who are willing to serve on the Spirit Committee or University and Community Relations Committee. Contact Kay Anderson at aka@truman.edu or Katie Best at kbest@truman.edu for more information.

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