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Coming up at the Mershon Center

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Jason Lyall

State Coercion and Civilian Victimization in Civil War: Evidence from Airstrikes in Afghanistan

Noon, Mershon Center for International Security Studies, 1501 Neil Ave.



Jason Lyall is assistant professor of political science at Yale University. His research focuses on the dynamics of violence in both conventional and guerrilla warfare, with emphasis on Afghanistan and Chechnya. His work draws on diverse methods, ranging from historical and cross-national comparisons to field experiments at the subnational and local level. His work has been published in the *American Political Science Review*, *International Organization*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, and *World Politics*. [Read more and register](#)

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Nancy Fraser

Marketization, Social Protection, Emancipation: Toward a Neo-Polanyian Conception of Capitalist Crisis

5:30 p.m., 180 Hagerty Hall, 1770 College Road



Nancy Fraser is the Henry A. and Louise Loeb Professor of Political and Social Science at the New School for Social Research. Her areas of concentration include social and political theory, feminist theory, contemporary French and German thought. From 2008 to 2010 she was the Blaise Pascal International Research Chair at l'Ecole des hautes etudes en science sociales in Paris. Her recent publications include *Scales of Justice: Reimagining Political Space in a Globalizing World* (Columbia, 2008) and *Adding Insult to Injury: Nancy Fraser Debates Her Critics* (Sage Publications, 2008). [Read more and register](#)

Other events

Friday, November 12, 2010

Gen. Lester L. Lyles

Preparing a Stronger America: Perspectives on National Security, Aerospace Technology and Diversity in the Military

11 a.m., 020 Page Hall, 1810 College Road

Sponsored by the President and Provost's 2010-11 Diversity Lecture &

Cultural Arts Series

In 2009, four-star **Gen. Lester L. Lyles** served on the NASA's Augustine Space Committee developing the agenda for the human space flight missions, chaired the National Research Council's Roles and Rationale Study of the U.S. Civil Space Programs and chaired the U.S. Department of Defense Military Leadership Diversity Commission. He entered the Air Force as a distinguished graduate of the Air Force ROTC program, and after a 35-year career, Lyles retired in 2003 as Commander of Air Force Materiel Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Lyles serves on many boards, including General Dynamics Corp., Battelle Labs and United Service Automobile Association. For more information about this event, contact Edie Waugh at waugh.2@osu.edu or (614) 688-3638. [Read more](#)

Mershon grant competition now open



Jennifer Nowlin, doctoral student in political science, used her Mershon Center grant to spend several months doing preliminary research and conducting interviews in Egypt for her dissertation on women's political participation in the Middle East.

Mershon Center offers faculty, student research grants

Each year, the Mershon Center for International Security Studies holds a competition for Ohio State faculty and students to apply for research grant funds. Grants may be used for a variety of purposes including travel, research, seminars, conferences, interviews, experiments, workshops and more. Applications must be for projects related to the study of national security in a global context. We are also interested in projects related to Ohio State's global gateways in China (2010), India (2011) and Brazil (2012), as well as policy issues in biosecurity and cybersecurity.

For more, including an application form and instructions, please see <http://mershoncenter.osu.edu/grants/grants/grants.htm>. The deadline is **January 31, 2011**.

Mershon News

Culture Contact: American Military Experiences Abroad

Meet members of the Air Force, Army and Navy ROTC staffs and learn how military members are selected and educated for foreign assignments from 1:30-3 p.m. Wednesday (11/17) in 002 Psychology Building. Enjoy pizza and an interactive discussion on how cultures can thrive together through common experiences. This panel is part of the year-long Colloquium on Growing International Perspectives, developed by the Office of Undergraduate Education. RSVPs encouraged at uro@osu.edu, with subject heading "Military."

Learning Technology grant application period opens

The 2011 Learning Technology Departmental Impact Grant application period is open now through Dec. 5. Consider this grant an opportunity to create an exemplar key or large course for your department as part of the Year of eLearning. Recipients are provided up to 200 hours of Learning Technology expertise and \$15,000 to extend learning technology use that increases student engagement, facilitates greater instructor efficiency, or enables anytime/anyplace learning. Open Q&A sessions are 12-1 p.m., Nov. 9, and 3-4 p.m., Nov. 17, in 060 Science and Engineering Library. Learn more at <http://lt.osu.edu/grants>.

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