Ninth Annual International Relations Workshop Retreat

Friday, June 1, 2012 (9am – 6pm)



The Ninth Annual International Relations Workshop Retreat will be held on Friday, June 1, at the Martin Johnson House, Scripps Institution of Oceanography. More details at http://irgroup.ucsd.edu/retreat/.

All third-year students enrolled in the International Relations Workshop must participate in the Retreat to receive credit. Any fourth-year IR PhD student who has not yet defended a prospectus is strongly advised to attend as well to present a draft prospectus. In addition, IR students who wish to present some of their dissertation research or another research paper to the Retreat participants are

welcome to do so. Space is limited, so act quickly by sending the Retreat Coordinator (Branislav) your topic and abstract. We shall notify you about the status of your proposal to present at least 3 weeks before the Retreat. The deadline for titles and abstracts is Tuesday, May 1. This is a firm deadline: all students who are required to participate must submit this information by that date. No applications for participation received after the deadline will be considered.

The Retreat is designed to maximize useful commentary by faculty and fellow graduate students. Presenters will have formal discussants as well as time for discussion open to all participants.

The format of the Retreat is as follows:

1. Each graduate student will present either a draft prospectus, a draft dissertation chapter, or another research paper. If part of a dissertation, the chapter must be either theoretical or empirical or both. *No literature reviews will be allowed.*

- 2. Presentations are limited to 15 minutes, with another 20 minutes available to the discussants, and another 10 minutes for open floor comments. Presenters can assume that the faculty participants will have read all the papers being presented. All other attendees and presenters are strongly encouraged to read all papers in advance. AV setup for PowerPoint/Beamer presentations will be provided. No overheads will be permitted.
- 3. For each paper, one faculty member who is not the presenter's advisor and who works in a different area, and one other graduate student will serve as formal discussants. Each will take no more than 10 minutes for comments. PowerPoint/Beamer presentations of comments are not required.
- Each paper to be presented at the Retreat is due by noon on Tuesday, May

 Papers must be sent electronically to the Coordinator by the deadline.
 The papers will be posted on the Retreat website for discussants and partic ipants to download.
- 5. On both days of the Retreat, breakfast will be provided. On the first day, lunch will also be provided. Coffee and snacks will be available throughout the day on both days.

At this point, it is imperative that all third-year student presenters notify the Coordinator of the topic of their presentation. If they have an abstract available, it should be submitted as soon as possible. Certainly both must be submitted by the deadline. Similarly, other students who wish to participate should e-mail the Coordinator at their earliest convenience. Priority will be given to early submissions and space on the program is very limited.

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