Semyen Appatov (Chair, Modern and Contemporary History, Odessa University) presented a February 28 lecture on “The Current State and Prospects for Ukrainian-Russian Relations.”

Ambassador Yehuda Blum (Hersch Lauterpacht Professor of International Law, Hebrew University) visited IUB in February as the Simona and Hart Hasten Fellow in Jewish Studies. The former Israeli Ambassador to the U.N. delivered two lectures on Negotiating Peace in the Middle East.

Valerie Braithwaite (Administration, Compliance, and Governance Program, Australian National University) and Toshio Yamagishi (Behavioral Science, Hokkaido University) participated in a February 27-28 planning session at the Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis.

Oded Eran, Minister Counsellor of the Israeli Embassy, Washington, DC, spoke April 7 on “Jews in Crisis: Politics and Life in the Former Soviet Union.”

Aisha Jama Haji (Sociology, University of Nairobi) is on the Bloomington campus until mid-June as a participant in the USIA-sponsored Indiana University-University of Nairobi faculty exchange program. On April 20, she spoke on “Pastoral Women in East Africa.” Ms. Haji may be contacted through Professor York Bradshaw (Sociology, IUB) 855-4127.

Michael Pennington (Physics, University of Durham), a March 5-12 Fellow of IU’s Institute for Advanced Study, presented the lecture, “The Hunt for the Red Quark.”

Galina Starovoitova (Co-chair, Democratic Russia Party), former ethnic affairs advisor to President Yeltsin, delivered the 1995 Addison Locke Roache Memorial Lecture, “Ethnic Conflict in the Former Soviet Union,” on March 23.

Zhu Weizheng (National Scholar, Fudan University), one of the most prominent cultural historians in the People’s Republic of China, spent March on the Bloomington campus as a Fellow of the Sigma Chi Scholars Program. On March 24, Professor Zhu delivered the lecture, “The Present and Future of Confucianism in China.”

Vladimir Zhubov (University of Sofia), a Fulbright Scholar at the University of California at Berkeley, spoke April 7 on “Chain Shifts in Bulgarian Vowel Systems.”

Raquel Anderson (Speech & Hearing, IUB) will travel to Costa Rica in early May to conduct research on the morphological use and knowledge of monolingual Spanish-speaking normal and language-impaired children.

Richard Burke (Telecommunications, IUB) is serving as Interim Director of the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies for the spring semester.

Andrea Ciccarelli (French & Italian, IUB) and John Efron (History, IUB) have been awarded Outstanding Junior Faculty Fellowships from the Department of West European Studies.

Jeffrey Gould (History, IUB) has been awarded a one-year NEH fellowship and the Council on Latin American History’s James Robertson Prize for his article, “Vana Ilusion: The Highland Indians and the Myth of Nicaragua Mestiza,” published in the Hispanic American Historical Review.

John Hanson (History, IUB) has received a Fulbright fellowship to spend the 1995-96 year at the University of Ghana at Legon. His research interests in social conversion from an African perspective focus on a Muslim movement proselytized by Asian merchants in the Gold Coast in the 1920s. He will also teach the course, History of Islam in West Africa and collaborate on oral history projects with Ghanaian scholars and students.

John Johnson (Folklore, IUB) and John Hanson (History, IUB) delivered presentations at the Third International Conference on Mande Studies, held March 20-24 in Leiden. Johnson spoke on “Modes of Performance Style in Mande Epic,” and Hanson presented the paper, “Fraternal Conflict and the Oaths of Islam.”

Andrew Kulameka, adjunct lecturer in humanities at IU Southeast, and Robert Botne (Linguistics, IUB) are co-authors
of the Chechewa-English, English-Chechewa Learner's Dictionary, a dictionary for use by U.S. college students recently released by Mellen Press.

Muriel Nazzari (History, IUB) has been awarded a grant-in-aid for her project, “The Struggle for Legal Change Toward Capitalist Development in Brazil (1808-1850),” and a 1995 Summer Faculty Fellowship.

Frank Paladino (Biology, IPFW) has been awarded an Earthwatch grant for his Costa Rican research project on sea turtles, a National Geographic grant for satellite tracking of the sea turtles, and funding from the Journey North Program to provide elementary and middle school students with on-line access to daily movements of the satellite-tagged turtles.

Two IU doctoral students have been awarded pre-dissertation fellowships from the Social Sciences Research Council for Summer 1995:

Anas Bin Malik, of Karachi, Pakistan, has received funding for language study and research in Tunisia on “Ethnic Polarization and Institutional Development.” A doctoral student in IUB’s Political Science Department, Malik is specializing in political and economic development.

Barbara Halpenny has received funding for intensive language study in Vietnam and initial research on funding and development choices for science and technology. Halpenny is a doctoral student in IUB’s Sociology Department focusing on the sociology of science and technology.

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♦ RECENT EVENTS ♦

Participants in the April 1 Central Eurasian Studies Department’s Second Annual Central Eurasian Studies Student Conference: for the morning panel, Perspectives on Eurasian Transitions—Pirjo Helena Vaittinen, Kimberley Hart, Peter Marsh, Geoff Childs, Lauran Hartley, and Pema Bhum; and for the afternoon panel, Religion and Politics in Central Asia—Alexander Naymark, Elizabeth Alexandrin, William Wood, Eli Weinerman, and Michael Thurman.


IU’s Institute for Advanced Study presented lectures by the two April Fellows of the Institute. On April 14, Sidney Goldstein, Brown University’s G.H. Crooker University Professor and authority on migration and urbanization in Southeast Asia and China, spoke on “Urbanization in Mongolia.” Alice Goldstein, Senior Researcher at Brown University’s Population Studies and Training Center, presented the lecture, “Ethnic Differentials in Fertility and Child Health: The Italian and Jewish Experience, 1910-1940.”

The Literacy Forum sponsored the March 27 presentation, “Social Movements, Popular Education, and Literacy: The Case of Paulo Freire as Secretary of Education in Sao Paulo, Brazil,” by Carlos Torres, Head of UCLA’s Social Sciences and Comparative Education Division.

The Spring 1995 Midwest Russian History Colloquium, held April 7-8 on the Bloomington campus, featured the following guest speakers: Peter Konecny (Carleton University), Andy Verner (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign), Theodore Weeks (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale), Jonathan Grant (University of Wisconsin, Madison) Lewis Siegelbaum (Michigan State University), and Sheila Fitzpatrick (University of Chicago). Speakers representing IU were: Alexi Kojevnikov, School of Education Fulbright scholar from Moscow’s Institute for the History of Science & Technology, professor David Ransel (History, IUB), and graduate students Michaela Pohl and David Spaeder.

IU’s Russian and East European Institute presented the April 21 faculty development seminar, New Problems in Teaching Russian Politics. Featured speakers were Andrea Stevenson Sanjian (Bucknell University), who delivered the lecture, “Teaching About Rapid Change and Uncertainty in Russian Politics,” and Toivo Raun (Central Eurasian Studies, IUB), who spoke on “Ethnic Violence and Nationalism in