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Join the Canada-U.S. Alumni Community

The electronic community has been launched and provides a forum for networking with other alumni interested in Canada-U.S. and Tri-lateral issues. As with most social networking websites, the communities on the State Alumni Website will allow you to find fellow alumni; engage in discussion; read & post articles, news about alumni achievements, and announcements from the Department of State and the Embassy. Registered alumni will be able to participate in live Q & A sessions with special guests and the sessions' transcripts will be available on-line as well.

These new communities have all that the global community has, including the research databases and more. We invite you to extend your networking by taking advantage of this opportunity to further your research and professional contacts with fellow alumni.

To be a part of the community, you need to register on the State Alumni Site at <https://alumni.state.gov>

Alumni Social Networking

STATE ALUMNI now has a presence on two social networking websites to reach out to both alumni and potential alumni. The State Alumni groups are open for anyone to join on the following websites:

Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#/group.php?gid=31684659276>
and

ExchangesConnect: <http://connect.state.gov/group/statealumni>.

We invite you to connect with State Alumni on both Facebook and Exchanges Connect!

Alumni Messages

Jeffrey Ayres (American Fulbright Scholar, 2003-04): In the past month my latest book has been published by Palgrave-Macmillan. It is clearly the result of collaboration between myself and Laura Macdonald, Professor and Chair of the Department of Political Science at Carleton University.

I was Fulbright Research Chair in North American Studies at Carleton University in 2003-04, and Laura Macdonald was my host at the Centre for North American Politics and Society at Carleton University. During my stay Laura and I put together the proposal for this edited book, *Contentious Politics in North America: National Protest and Transnational Collaboration Under Continental Integration*. The book draws together Canadian, U.S. and Mexican academics and therefore takes a trinational approach to understanding political reactions against North American integration. I have included a link to the book for your information. It would be great if you could note this in the newsletter.

<http://us.macmillan.com/contentiouspoliticsinnorthamerica>

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Cheryl Krasnick Warsh, a Canadian Fulbright Fellow at Duke University's Centre for U.S.-Canadian Studies in 1993, has two books with a Canada-U.S. perspective to be published in the upcoming year. The first is a monograph, entitled *Prescribed Norms: Women's Health in Canada and the United States since 1800* (Toronto: University of Toronto/Broadview Press, 2010) and an edited collection, *Gender, Health and Popular Culture: International Perspectives* (Waterloo: Wilfrid Laurier University Press, 2010).

You can contact Cheryl for further information at: cheryl.warsh@viu.ca. She teaches North American history at Vancouver Island University in Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada.

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Claire Williams, American Senior Fulbright Specialist to Canada (2006) visit yielded a lasting collaboration with University of Victoria's Centre for Forest Biology and Professor Patrick von Aderkas. This is shown in my new Springer book, *Conifer Reproductive Biology*, where the foreword written by Professor von Aderkas. The book's content draws heavily on Canada and U.S. research alike.

"Conifer Reproductive Biology" is intended as a text supplement for plant biology students. It was published by Springer in June 2009.

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U.S. and Canada collaborate in the joint-implementation of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme

The Kimberley Process Certification Scheme is an international initiative, which was established to address the humanitarian crisis resulting from rough-diamond trade fuelling armed conflict. The United Nations was instrumental in devising the Scheme by recommending to the international community to establish a scheme based on national certification schemes and on internationally agreed minimum standards. Canada and the United States were active participants in the international effort to establish and implement the scheme in January 2003.

I have been the Manager of Canada's Kimberley Process Office since April 2004 and have had the opportunity to work with my US counterparts and other US Officials on this file. I am making this submission in recognition of the admirable job that my US colleagues have done in strengthening controls for the implementation of the scheme. Their professionalism and dedication have had a significant impact in the oversight of rough diamond trade between both our countries.

In 2006, the KPCS called for a three-year international review which coincided with a GAO review. The September 2006 GAO report (GAO-06-978) made recommendations to enhance the implementation of the Clean Diamond Act. I was impressed by how quickly the Department of State and US Agencies responded to act on these recommendations, including a regulatory amendment that came into force in May 2008. Last year, each and every shipment of rough diamonds exported from Canada to the USA was confirmed. **Teresa Trevino**, International Visitor, 2002

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Donley T. Studlar (American Fulbright Scholar, University of Toronto, 2000), Eberly Family Professor of Political Science at West Virginia University will present a paper comparing the effects of Canadian and US federalism on tobacco control policy at a 2009 conference in Toronto on comparative federalism, sponsored by the APSA Federalism Section and *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, as well as another paper at the 2009 ACSUS meeting in San Diego. Recent articles include "Ideas, Institutions, and Diffusion: What Explains Tobacco Control Policies in Australia, Canada, and New Zealand?" *Commonwealth and Comparative Politics*, 2007, and "Is Canada a Westminster or Consensus Democracy? A Brief Analysis," *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 2006. He continues research analyzing Canadian political institutions as well as Canadian tobacco control policy in a comparative context.

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State Alumni Network

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