Highlights of ICA 2006 in Dresden
The Plenary Sessions

by Ronald E. Rice
ICA President-Elect

As you know, the ICA 2006 Conference Program is now available online. In this column, I'd like to publicize the four plenary sessions, as well as thank some very hard-working people.

Plenary: Communication, Power and Counterpower in the Network Society
Monday, Jun 19 - 4:30pm - 5:45pm

Introduction: Christina Slade (Macquarie University, Australia; Chair, Philosophy of Communication Division)

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Plenary: Some Reflections on the Role of Mass Communication in Western Democracies
Tuesday, Jun 20 - 1:30pm - 2:45pm

Introduction: Ingrid Doris Volkmer (University of Otago, New Zealand; Vice Chair, Philosophy of Communication Divi-

So You Want to See a Conference Schedule

by Michael J. West
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Are you trying to determine if an LCD projector will be available for your presentation? Double-checking that the panels you want to see don’t overlap? Do you just plain want a schedule for your sessions and panels during the ICA Conference?

There’s an easier way than calling or emailing the ICA headquarters with your question: The 2006 Conference Program online, all personalized information for your own presentations and sessions, every Conference-related message that has been sent to you, and all of the assignments for the audiovisual equipment.

When you access the Program and Paper Site, the screen displays a Login prompt. You can log in with the same user ID and password that you use to access the Member section of the ICA website. (Or, if you created a new account while submitting a paper or panel, use that information to log in.) Once you have logged in, the site dis-

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by Jon F. Nussbaum
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As the Dresden conference approaches, I have been thinking about my first ICA conference and the great impact that the conference had upon my decision to concentrate full time on the study and discipline of Communication. Much like many of my colleagues, I began my academic career not as a Communication student, but in psychology. While I was interested in the study of human development, I spent most of my time learning and working with rats and pigeons. During an interdepartmental softball game (Psychology vs. Speech Communication—now, Communication Studies) on Mountaineer Field at West Virginia University, our Psychology team found itself facing a rather raucous Speech Communication team made up of Peter Andersen, Michael Scott, Tom Young, Barry Morgenstern, Buddy Wheeless, Jim McCroskey, Virginia Richmond, Jan Andersen, Pat Kearney, and Gail Sorensen, to name a few.

I honestly forget which team won the game (although I know that I went 5 for 5, scoring 5 times), but vividly remember our chat after the game when they explained to me that in their department/discipline they actually studied human beings interacting with other human beings. I made the difficult decision to attempt to merge my studies of Life Span Development with Communication.

A very important part of my transition to the discipline of Communication was to expand my conference participations beyond the American Psychological Association, Society for Research in Child Development, and Gerontological Society of America, into regional, national, and international Communication conferences. To be perfectly honest, I was not impressed by the Communication conferences at the national and regional level. Perhaps my myopic vision of social science and my drive to focus on the quantitative, empirical study of human interaction led me to question why I was at a conference with debate teams, rhetoricians, oral interpretation scholars, etc. It has taken me quite a few years

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Plenary Interactive Paper Session
Thursday, Jun 22 - 12:00pm - 1:15pm

Papers from all Divisions and Interest Groups will be displayed here, included specially grouped paper themes. The top 10 Plenary Papers will receive a certificate; the top three will receive cash prizes of $500, $250 and $100. These will be awarded during the Interactive Paper Session and at least one of authors must be present to win.

Half-Plenary: Converging Media Policy for a Digital Media Environment
Thursday, Jun 22 - 3:00pm - 4:15pm

Now that media convergence is being realized over digital networks, many question how European policy can ensure the existence of a media sector that not only fulfills its social and cultural missions, but is able to compete in the global media marketplace. A marquee panel including policy leaders at the European and national levels, an industry leader from one of Europe’s top media companies, and leading academic experts on European media policy discuss these challenges.

Chair — Eli M. Noam (Columbia Institute for Tele-Information)

- Modernizing Europe’s Media Regulations — Viviane Reding (EU Commissioner for Information Society and Media)
- Practical Policy Responses to Media Policy in an Era of Convergence — David Currie (Chairman, UK Office of Communications)
- Navigating the New Media Environment: Industry Perspectives on European Media Policy — Gunther Thielean (Chairman, Bertelsmann)
- Respondents — Jo Groebel (Director, European Institute for the Media); Charles Steinfield (Michigan State U) and Philip M. Napoli (Fordham U)

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Michael Haley and I are especially grateful for the Division and Interest Group conference planners and Chairs for their tremendous and concentrated effort in soliciting all the paper and panel submissions; identifying and organizing the many reviewers; assigning the papers and panels to the reviewers; consolidating all the reviews and ratings; ranking the submissions and panels; organizing the Paper, Interactive Paper, and Panel sessions; identifying and notifying the best papers and panels; and working with Michael and me on scheduling these.

We thank: Paul Bolls, Oliver Boyd-Barrett, Patrice Buzzanell, Joseph Man Chan, Lynn Clark, Francois Cooren, Steve Corman, Sherry Ferguson, Michael Griffin, Thomas Hanitzsch, Matt Jackson, Min-Sun Kim, John Lammers, Beth Le Poire, Dafna Lemish, Doug Hoon Ma, Gianpietro Mazzoleni, Lynda McCroskey, Debra Merskin, Marian Meyers, Tema Milstein, Isabel Molina, Patricia Moy, Amy Nathanson, John Newhagen, Hiroshi Ota, David Phillips, Karen Riggs, David Roskos-Ewoldsen, Karen Ross, Holli Semetko, Katherine Sender, John Sherry, Hochang Shin, Christina Slade, Cynthia Stohl, Douglas Storey, Sharon Strover, Jan van Dijk, Betteke van Ruler, Ingrid Volkmer, Joe Walther, Qi Wang, Bernadette Watson, James Watt, and Ted Zorn.

We particularly thank Ingrid Volkmer for inviting both Manuel Castells and Jurgen Habermas to be our two plenary speakers.

Wolfgang Donsbach has already served extensive ICA duty as conference planner for New Orleans and as a recent ICA President. We have been extremely fortunate that his home university is in Dresden, the site of the conference. So Wolf offered to head the local arrangements committee, along with his colleagues Lutz Hagen, Olaf Jandura, and Heike Grossman. They have done a fantastic job in developing a gorgeous and informative Dresden website, arranging a variety of Dresden and other tours, organizing special Dresden events, providing audio-visual equipment (which saves ICA considerable money) and obtaining support and funding.

And of course Michael Haley, Executive Director of ICA, and his very personable and capable staff (Sam Luna, Andrea Tolson, Michael J. West, Kontina Ziegler). Essentially, Michael makes everything happen, bringing together a wide variety of people, information, and resources. And he does it in a very generous and engaging manner. It’s been a great privilege and pleasure to work with Michael and Wolf on this conference.

Next month: Theme Sessions and Exhibitions!
The “Internet Governance” Preconference

by Peng Hwa Ang, Nanyang Technological U and Wolfgang Kleinwächter, U of Aarhus

Governments, non-governmental organizations, academics, and others around the world have been deeply immersed in a conversation as to the future of the governance of the most important new communication medium—the Internet. The issues are significant: not only are the technical decisions that shape the technology in play, but we must also tackle larger political questions concerning regulation of content, the role of states in determining access, and how we provide digital access for the rest of the non-wired world. In recent months, this discussion has entered a new phase: the most recent meeting of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) in Tunis in 2005 resulted in the decision to establish an Internet Governance Forum. The decision taken by parties at the WSIS points to several important questions, including WHAT should the Forum do? WHO should be involved? and HOW shall the Forum be organized?

Many of the these critical questions are being taken up by both governments and NGO’s, but the number of communication scholars engaged is surprisingly small. The surprise is all the greater when one looks at the composition of the Working Group on Internet Governance (WGIG)—the body that recommended the formation of, among other things, a forum to address governance issues concerning the Internet. The two active academics in WGIG are both from communication.

In order to engage a larger number of communication scholars and to form a loose network of academics who are studying the issues of Internet governance, the Communication Law and Policy Division and the Communication Law and Policy Division of the IAMCR are convening an ICA pre-conference workshop titled: Internet Governance: New political and Regulatory Frameworks for Global Network Communication. The conference will be held in Saxonyan Switzerland outside of Dresden, immediately prior to the ICA international conference. The goals are to explore some key areas of Internet Governance such as Internet Oversight and the Management of the Internet Core Resources; Internet and Human Rights: Freedom of Expression; Access to Knowledge and Protection of Privacy; Internet Security and Stability: Cybercrime, Spam and Identity Theft; Internet and Development: Bridging the Digital Divide. The outputs from this pre-conference may be useful as inputs in the meeting of the Internet Governance Forum to be held in Athens, Greece, in October 2006. The ideal outcome of this pre-conference is to foster strong social bonds that will support high quality professional and academic outputs.

Dresden, the capital city of the German Federal State of Saxony, is an important cultural, political, and economic center in the Eastern part of the Federal Republic of Germany. There will be a small social programme to relieve the otherwise intense programme. Funding support from the German domain name registry DeNIC and the Singapore Internet Research Centre at the Nanyang Technological University have enabled the total costs per participant to be held down to 100 Euros for the four-day event. We have taken up all the rooms at a small hotel in order to facilitate our bonding and interaction, and we will have a barbecue together overlooking the forests outside of Dresden. On the final day of the pre-conference, we will take a four-hour boat ride along the Elbe River to the ICA conference site in Dresden.

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to appreciate the richness of the entire Communication discipline. As my initial year of training in Communication was coming to an end, Professor McCroskey announced that all the graduate students would be attending the ICA conference in Chicago—my first ICA conference.

It was at ICA that I felt at home. I vividly remember meeting many of the Communication scholars whose scholarship I had by now read. Gerald Miller, Mark Knapp, Edna Rogers, Mary Anne Fitzpatrick, Chuck Berger, and Linda Putnam (all future ICA Presidents) were there and actually had time to talk to me. That was 30 years ago and I still remember the positive impact that my initial ICA conference had and continues to have upon my desire to investigate human communication across the life span.

The Dresden conference will be the first ICA conference for a new generation of Communication scholars. My hope is that their first experience at an ICA conference will be as positive as my first experience. All the conference organizers are doing their very best to optimize our visit to Dresden and to build upon our fine tradition of scholarly excellence, stimulating conversation, and genuine good times. I invite all new Communication scholars, as well as those who have attended numerous ICA conferences, to join me in Dresden and to welcome our first-time attendees to a lifetime of quality Communication scholarship.

A special session for new and/or first-time conference attendees will take place on Monday, June 19, from 12:00 pm to 1:15 pm in the Great Hall of the Dresden Conference Centre. Plan to attend.
plays a four-option menu: “Track Proposals/Read Reviews,” “Edit Personal Contact Information,” “Message Center,” and “View the Program.” The last two, which are new features, will allow you to access any information you need about the conference.

The “Message Center” option will allow you to review every message that has been sent to you for the Conference, including submission acknowledgements as well as acceptance and rejection notices for your proposals and paper submissions. If you did not receive or cannot find the message as to whether your paper was accepted for a Conference session, you will be able to find it here. You may also want to check it for any information about changes in your presentations or your schedule.

The “View the Program” option, however, contains the most information. It not only allows you to view your own schedule, it also allows you to search the entire Conference program by a specific attendee’s name, by session title, and by individual presentation title. When you click the “View the Program” link, the site displays a screen with a “My Schedule” link in the upper right corner. Click this link to view your entire schedule for the conference.

The bulk of the “View the Program” screen, however, displays a drop-down box (with the heading “Select Search Options”) and three text entry fields (with the heading “Search in Scheduled People”). The Search Options box defaults to “People,” but you can use the drop-down if you want to change the search option to specific sessions or specific presentations. Your selection in the drop-down will reduce the text fields to one, labeled according to the option you chose, and the heading will change to read “Search in Scheduled Sessions” or “Search in Scheduled Individual Presentations.” You can then enter the name of the person/session/presentation for which you want to search.

For example, if you select to search by individual presentation and enter the name of your presentation, the search system will return the record of that presentation, which includes the name of the session; the division sponsoring the session; the type of presentation; and the date, time, and specific location of the presentation. If you search by session or by person, the search system returns every presentation record associated with the session or person.

Listings for sessions and presentations also include links with the text “Add” or “Add to My Schedule.” Click these to add the events to your personal schedule. However, the schedule program does not account for events that conflict with each other, so use this feature with caution.

Every screen page under the “View the Program” option contains a row of tabs across the top of the screen, with the name of your current tab in bold text. If you would like to see whether AV equipment will be available for your presentation, click the second tab from the left, “Events Calendar.” This option will display eight links, one for every day of the preconference and conference schedule. Click on the link for the day you want to view. Each link displays a daily calendar that lists all sessions, organized by time and location. The location listings are hyperlinked text. If you click on the links, the screen displays a list of every session taking place every day in that location and room. However, at the top of that list is a table that explains which AV equipment is assigned to that room and on which days. For instance, the page for Conference Room 1 of the Dresden Conference Center says “All Days: Overhead projector, LCD projector. Friday Only: Overhead projector, LCD projector, and TV/VCR.”

These options on the Conference Program and Paper Site should allow you to view all relevant information about the conference schedule and your schedule in particular. This give you complete access without contacting ICA headquarters—in fact, if you were to contact us, this would be the very method that we ourselves would use to answer your questions.
The Federation International de Football Association (FIFA) World Cup, the world’s largest, most representative team sporting event and the most important competition in men’s international football/soccer, will be held in Germany between June 9 and July 9, 2006. Sixty-four matches have been scheduled in twelve cities across the country. The group eliminations last until June 23; however, the Round of 16—the first round of the World Cup’s knockout stage—begins on the 24th, the day after the end of the 2006 ICA Conference in Dresden.

The World Cup is held every four years (although qualifications can last up to three years in advance), over four weeks, in a host nation voted upon by the FIFA executive committee. This year will be the first time that an ICA Conference has taken place at the same time and in the same nation as a World Cup tournament; South Korea hosted the contest in 2002—the same year as the Seoul conference—but the conference did not begin until after the tournament had ended.

Teams from 32 nations have qualified to be represented at the World Cup. Among them is the first-seeded Brazil, the most successful national football team in the world and the defending World Cup champion. Not only are they the only team to have qualified for every tournament and the first to win five titles as of 2002, they also won the 2004 America’s Cup and the 2005 Confederations Cup. Brazil is the heavy favorite to win the World Cup for a sixth time in 2006; however, the World Cup is also famous for its unpredictability.

The cities in which the matches will take place include Berlin, Dortmund, Frankfurt, Gelsenkirchen, Hamburg, Hanover, Kaiserslautern, Cologne, Leipzig, Munich, Nuremberg, and Stuttgart. Of these, the cities closest to Dresden are Leipzig (approximately an hour and a half by train) and Berlin (two and a half hours). The other cities, while further away by train, are almost all accessible by a quick and inexpensive (usually around $100 US, round-trip) plane flight. Your travel agent should be able to assist you with an itinerary.

With the conference’s proximity to Leipzig and Berlin, you might be able to take in a few matches the week before Conference—or during the Conference, if you have nothing scheduled on a particular day. The matches scheduled for the preceding weekend that are within easy reach of Dresden are: Brazil vs. Croatia (Berlin, June 13); Spain vs. Ukraine (Leipzig, June 14); Sweden vs. Paraguay (Berlin, June 15); and France vs. South Korea (Leipzig, June 18).

During Conference, you can see Ecuador vs. Germany (Berlin, June 20); Iran vs. Angola (Leipzig, June 21); and Ukraine vs. Tunisia (Berlin, June 23).

The schedules for the round of 16, quarterfinal, semifinal, and final rounds of the World Cup are as follows. Teams for each match will be determined by the group playoffs that take place before and during the ICA Conference.

**ROUND OF 16:**

**R1:** FIFA WM Stadion München, Munich, June 24; Winner, Group A vs. Runner-Up, Group B

**R2:** Zentralstadion, Leipzig, June 24; Winner, Group C vs. Runner-Up, Group D
R3: Gottlieb-Daimler-Stadion, *Stuttgart, June 25*; Winner, Group B vs. Runner-Up, Group A

R4: Frankenstadion, *Nuremberg, June 25*; Winner, Group D vs. Runner-Up, Group C

R5: Fritz Walter Stadion, *Kaiserslautern, June 26*; Winner, Group E vs. Runner-Up, Group F

R6: FIFA WM Stadion Köln, *Cologne, June 26*; Winner, Group G vs. Runner-Up, Group H

R7: FIFA WM Stadion Dortmund, *Dortmund, June 27*; Winner, Group F vs. Runner-Up, Group E

R8: FIFA WM Stadion Hannover, *Hanover, June 27*; Winner, Group H vs. Runner-Up, Group G

**QUARTERFINAL:**

Q1: Olympiastadion, *Berlin, June 30*; Winner, R1 vs. Winner, R2

Q2: FIFA WM Stadion Hamburg, *Hamburg, June 30*; Winner, R3 vs. Winner, R4

Q3: Arena AufSchalke, *Gelsenkirchen, July 1*; Winner, R5 vs. Winner, R6

Q4: Waldstadion, *Frankfurt, July 1*; Winner, R7 vs. Winner, R8

**SEMIFINAL:**

S1: FIFA WM Stadion Dortmund, *Dortmund, July 4*; Winner, Q1 vs. Winner, Q2

S2: FIFA WM Stadion München, *Munich, July 5*; Winner, Q3 vs. Winner, Q4

**THIRD PLACE**

Gottlieb-Daimler-Stadion, *Stuttgart, July 8*; Loser, S1 vs. Loser, S2

**FINAL:**

Olympiastadion, *Berlin, July 9*; Winner, S1 vs. Winner, S2

Members of the Brazilian and German teams facing off at the 2002 World Cup
A Social Magnifying Glass on Public Relations
An ICA Preconference

by Øyvind Ihlen, U of Oslo
and Betteke van Ruler, U of Amsterdam

One of the striking features of the modern era is the advent of corporate power. In general, corporations and other organizations have experienced an increased need to relate to, and communicate in, society about their aims and behaviors and build relationships with their stakeholders. The public relations field then becomes an important instrument for corporations and other organizations alike. The blossoming of the public relations industry is, therefore, intertwined with corporate development. With this boost in prominence for public relations, there follows an academic obligation to study public relations activity in its own right. A preconference session in Dresden this June will address this issue.

Public relations is often studied from a managerial, instrumental perspective, or from a psychological, behavioral perspective. To understand the role of public relations in building trust or mistrust and to develop—or destroy—a license to operate, it needs also to be studied as a social phenomenon. The participants in this preconference session will attempt to broaden the theoretical scope of public relations studies by applying the works of a string of prominent social theorists—Jürgen Habermas, Niklas Luhmann, Ulrich Beck, Anthony Giddens, and Pierre Bourdieu. What use can be made of these scholars’ perspectives? None of them studied public relations as such, and hence it must be asked: can public relations fit into their theoretical frameworks? If so, how?

A crucial issue that has made inroads in the academic community is the concept of a public sphere. As discussed by Inger Jensen (Roskilde U), in extension of Habermas, one of the functions of a public sphere relates to the processes of organizational legitimacy and identity. Public relations takes on an essential, in terms of both identifying stakeholders’ demands and of defending the organization. Using the Luhmann’s system perspective, Susanne Holmström (Roskilde U) has pointed out how public relations has helped organizations move towards a so-called reflective paradigm, where the organization, among other things, realizes that its worldview and rationale is one among many.

The concept of Risk Society has been introduced by Beck; Magnus Fredrikson (Gothenburg U) will discuss how public relations, in this perspective, can be seen as organizations’ answer to a more complex, uncertain and politicized existence. Giddens’ work leads Jesper Falkheimer (Lund U) to a somewhat similar conclusion: Public relations is a tool for handling social, political, economical, and organizational changes in late modernity. Public relations may be viewed as a force in the late modern process of disembodment—that is, the restructuring of social relations in unlimited spaces.

Øyvind Ihlen (U of Oslo) takes a different route and applies the works of Bourdieu to the study of the power struggle in which organizations use public relations to engage. This, he argues, affords public relations research with a much more realistic view of the practice than is available in the many normative theories of the field.

The panelists will discuss these and other issues after they have given short overviews of the theorists’ key concepts and contributions. Ample time is set aside for discussion and interaction with the audience. Betteke van Ruler (U of Amsterdam) is chair of the session and Günter Bentele (U of Leipzig) is respondent and moderator.

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Student COLUMN

Student Lounges, Parties, Networking, Orientating, andCheap Hostels

by Tema Milstein
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U of Maryland

The 2006 ICA conference in Dresden, Germany, is fast approaching. To help you have a thrilling experience, we, along with the ICA Student Affairs Committee (Giorgia Aiello, Joshua Barbour, Jianxun Jackson Chu, Jennifer Frahm, Janet Fulk, Juli Hinds, Diana Nastasia, and Constanze Rossmann), are putting together student-centered activities and events, as well as researching the resources that are available to you. Check out details below on activities you DO NOT want to miss, as well as ideas for accommodations suited to the student budget!

Student Lounge
New this year, after hearing from many students that they have found it difficult to meet new people—especially other students—at past conferences, we’ve organized an informal student lounge. This will provide you with a central gathering center to interact and relax during the conference. The student lounge will run throughout the conference in the lounge area at the International Congress Center Dresden (on the second floor near the seven seminar rooms). The lounge will be a focusing place for students but will be open to anyone. The general refreshments that will be served in the exhibit area are just a short escalator ride away and we encourage you to bring them to the lounge if you feel like mingling or starting up a conversation. You never know, you might meet someone you’ll want to collaborate with, find out about a school from, or simply be happy to know. We will have student member volunteers in the lounge for much of the conference to simply hang out and talk and be point people for questions you might have about student activities. If you would like to be a volunteer for the lounge at some point during the conference, please email us soon. Contact Tema at tema@u.washington.edu and/or Qi at qiqiwang@umd.edu.

Student –Hero Networking Session
Now is the time to apply for a slot in our Student Networking Session in Dresden. During this session, students get a chance to meet one-on-one with their academic heroes. It is your opportunity to actually have a real conversation with a distinguished scholar you’ve always wanted to meet; to bounce your own ideas off of them; to pick their brain for new ideas; and to cultivate the type of collegial relationship for which ICA is famous. Becoming part of the Student Networking Session is very simple. All you need to do is to submit to the student board members (that’s us) the name of the scholar with whom you would like some “face time” and a short paragraph as to why you would like to meet that scholar. Please do not send more than a paragraph. Send your “application” via email to Tema at tema@u.washington.edu by April 15. We will compile the list of prospective scholars and send out personal invitations to them requesting their presence at this session and asking for their RSVP. If your scholar will be at this year’s conference and agrees to attend, then we will notify you that you have been “matched.” If you are matched, please plan on attending (and let us know ASAP if you will not be able to make it). In addition, if your scholar will not be at the convention, we will make every effort to “virtually” introduce you so that you can set up another time to talk. We hope you will all consider taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

Student and Newcomer Orientation
At each ICA conference, the student board members organize an orientation session that is targeted at students and newcomers and features the movers and shakers of the ICA staff and officers. All are welcome. The purpose is to introduce you to the history and structure of ICA, to familiarize you with the conference, to make suggestions on how to get the most out of the conference, and to give you some networking tips.

This year, presenters will most likely include ICA President Jon Nussbaum to talk about ICA and its history, President Elect Ronald Rice to introduce the theme of this year’s conference and how to get the most of it, and one seasoned student participant to provide some tips about networking (we have not decided on the student speaker, so if you feel you have the experience as well as the zeal, please contact us to volunteer). In addition, ICA Executive Director Michael Haley and President-Elect-Select Sonia Livingstone will be present to provide information and answer your questions. As student board members, we will be there to address cer-

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tain issues from a student perspective.

The orientation will take place from 12 pm to 1:15 pm on Monday, June 19, and will include plenty of time for questions and discussion. If you have not attended an ICA Orientation before, we strongly recommend that you come.

Student Reception
Do you want to reward yourself for being so diligent in attending and presenting at various panels in the conference? Do you want to have FREE drinks, enjoy great music, and meet new friends outside of the conference setting in the hippest, most happening part of Dresden? We want to extend our warmest invitation to you. The purpose of the graduate student reception is multifold. At this event, students network socially as well as academically. But you have the opportunity to meet people from various fields and to freely talk with your peers about non-academic stuff, too. It’s simply a great night out on the town. Last year in New York City, more than 200 students filled a dance club and many stayed lounging or dancing until the wee hours. This year in Germany, we are following up the fun had in New York with an equally excellent club in the center of Dresden. We would like to extend our deepest thanks to Kerstin Weisbach at the Institut für Kommunikationswissenschaft at TU Dresden for investing an extraordinary amount of time and energy into exploring locations for the reception in the past few months. Once the location and time is finalized, we will announce it in this newsletter column. In addition, the information will be available in the conference program as well as at the registration table.

Last but not least, we would also like to ask for your help. ICA, the University of Washington, and the University of Maryland are major sponsors for the reception; however, we are also looking for more sponsoring institutions. If your department has been active in attending ICA conferences, please consider talking with your department chair about the possibility of being a second-tier sponsor of the ICA Graduate Student Reception. This is a great opportunity for your department to be publicized. As a sponsor, we will print your institution’s name on the reception’s advertisement page in the conference program and on the ICA student reception poster that will be posted at the registration desk throughout the conference and at the reception itself. Please let us know as soon as possible if your department is interested in being a second-tier sponsor for $250.

Booking Hotels and Flights
Inexpensive options for hotels
Hostels are a great option and this link leads to a list of several hostels, as well as hotels in other categories (it is in German): http://www.ddnl.de/main.asp?rubrik=A1&PN=1

For those who don’t speak German, here are two examples of inexpensive hostels that have single and double rooms near the conference center. They also have web sites in English, Spanish, French, Italian, Czech, Polish, Chinese, and Japanese.


ICA has designated four host hotels and some other three-star local hotels. All of the host hotels are four or five stars and the average conference rate is 140 Euros for a single, 160 for a double. The lowest price is at Art’Otél: 115 Euros for single and 130 for double. Keep in mind that breakfast is included. The three-star hotels are still somewhat close to the conference center (20 to 25 minutes walk or 15 minutes by tram, costing 1 Euro one way) and run about 75 Euros for a single and 90 for a double. You can get more information on those options at http://www.ica-germany.org/.

Flights
In early February, the lowest round-trip prices to Dresden from Baltimore, Maryland, and Seattle, Washington (our home bases) were averaging at about $1,700. A more inexpensive option for those coming from outside Europe, depending on where you are flying from, might be to fly into a larger nearby city and to take a train into Dresden. Be creative and, please (!), if you have any specific suggestions for a way to get to Dresden less expensively, please share your knowledge with us so we can share it with other students.

More information about accommodations and getting around in Dresden can be found at http://www.ica-germany.org. Please make sure you visit this exceptionally helpful web site to get a head start.

Forecast of Next Column
In our column next month, we will invite a Dresden-based German student to introduce some inexpensive and free off-the-beaten-path places to see and things to do in Dresden and the surrounding area that might speak to us budget-strained students. If you want to fully explore Dresden, please tune in!

If you would like to be proactive in the ICA and the Communication field, or are particularly interested in any of these activities, please let us know. We would greatly appreciate your help. Contact Tema Milstein at tema@u.washington.edu or Qi Wang at qiqiwang@umd.edu. Please also contact us if you have any comments, thoughts, or ideas you would like to share. We will make every effort to embrace your contribution or address your concerns to help ICA serve students better.
Barbara F. Sharf (Texas A&M U), Linda A. Stelljes & Howard S. Gordon (Baylor College of Medicine) have published “A little bitty spot and I’m a great big man: Patients’ perspectives on refusing diagnosis or treatment for lung cancer” in the March 2005 issue of Psycho-Oncology (14: 636–646; DOI:10.1002/pon.885).

Heidi Campbell (Texas A&M U) and Heather Looy (The King’s College, Alberta, Canada) has received a John Templeton Foundation Grant of $29,200 for a project entitled “A Science and Religion Primer.”

Kevin Warwick (U of Reading), Heidi Campbell (Texas A&M U) Ben Mitchell (Trinity Evangelical Divinity School) presented a lecture/discussion entitled “Considering Ethics and Policy in a High Tech Age,” at the John Templeton Oxford Seminars on Science and Christianity, U of Oxford, in July 2005.

Richard Kravitz (U of California, Davis) and Richard L. Street, Jr. (Texas A&M U) have received a grant from the American Cancer Society for patient coaching to improve care of cancer pain.

Richard L. Street, Jr. (Texas A&M U), Howard S. Gordon, (Baylor College of Medicine), Marcia M. Ward (U of Iowa), Edward Krupat (Harvard U), and Richard L. Kravitz (U of California, Davis) have published “Patient participation in medical consultations: Why some patients are more involved than others” in the October 2005 edition of Medical Care (43, 960–969).

Eric Rothenbuhler (Texas A&M U) presented “Media Anthropology as a Field of Interdisciplinary Contact,” at the Second Brazil-US Colloquium on Communication Studies in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in September 2005.

Linda Putnam (Texas A&M U), the George T. and Gladys H. Abell Professor in the Department of Communication, received the 2005 Steven H. Chaffee Career Productivity Award, presented by the International Communication Association on May 28, 2005 at their annual conference in New York City. This award is presented to a scholar who has conducted significant sustained work driven by conceptually rich questions, influencing multiple projects and publications, extending over time and continued through a second generation of scholars. Putnam also received the 2005 Best Article Award for her publication (with Gail T. Fairhurst, U of Cincinnati), “Organizations as Discursive Constructions,” (Communication Theory, 2004, 14(1), pp. 5–26).

Call for Papers

Special issue of Communication Theory:
“Succeeding Failure: Openings in communication and media studies”

“Succeeding Failure: Openings in communication and media studies” is the title of a special issue planned for Communication Theory. This issue will be guest co-edited by Briankle G. Chang and Garnet C. Butchart of the Department of Communication at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Regardless of topic, submitted essays must offer a critical interrogation of the concept of failure as a productive entry point into the contemporary study of communication and media. Authors may submit inquiries and manuscript electronically to Briankle G. Chang at bchang@comm.umass.edu or to Garnet C. Butchart at garnet@comm.umass.edu. Manuscripts should conform to the guidelines of Communication Theory and must be received by May 15, 2006 to be considered for this issue. The manuscript should include a title page with complete contact information (address, telephone, FAX, and email), as well as a brief biography (full name, highest earned academic degree, institution granting that degree, current academic title) for each author. Manuscripts must conform to the specifications of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (5th ed.), and authors should verify that the reference list is complete and in appropriate form.

Please see the “Hot Topics” section of the ICA website (www.icahdq.org) for more information.
The Communication Law and Policy division is very excited about its contribution to this year's conference in Dresden. The CLP division is sponsoring six paper sessions, five panels, outstanding posters for the plenary poster session, and a preconference! The preconference, “Internet Governance: New Political and Regulatory Frameworks for Global Network Communication,” will focus on the results of the WSIS Tunis summit and is being coordinated by the Singapore Internet Research Centre. For more information on the preconference, go to the ICA website or http://www.ntu.edu.sg/sci/ siriscapreconf.html The preconference being held June 16-19 in Dresden.

The Internet Governance preconference is just the beginning. Thirty out of 53 papers submitted to the CLP division will be presented in Dresden. The Top Paper award goes to John Erni of City University of Hong Kong for “War, ‘Incendiary Media,’ and International Human Rights Law,” a very timely topic given recent world events. Due to a tie in scoring, there are actually four rather than three “Top Papers,” the others being “Censoring Speech in Public Space,” by Laura Stein at University of Texas-Austin, “Pornography’s Value: The Perceived Value and Harms of Sexual Explicit Material for Homosexual and Heterosexual Users,” by Mark Cenite of Nanyang Technological University, and “A right to Google: Search engines and copyright,” by Kathy Olson of Lehigh University. The Top Student Paper award goes to Nathalie Krup and Lauren Movius of the Annenberg School at the University of Southern California for their paper, “US and EU Internet Privacy Protection Regimes: Regulatory Spillover in the Travel Industry.”

Congratulations to all our top paper winners. To find out when the top papers and all the Comm Law and Policy papers will be presented, please check the online conference schedule. And while you have your calendar handy, make sure you set aside time for the CLP business meeting on Wednesday, 3:00-4:15. Refreshments and snacks will be served, because that’s just the kind of division we are.

In other news, Stephen McDowell of Florida State University has been elected Vice-Chair for a two-year term and will assume his duties in Dresden when Sharon Strover of the University of Texas-Austin takes over as Chair of the CLP Division. We hope to see you in Dresden for an exciting conference of cutting edge policy scholarship and camaraderie.

Matt Jackson, Chair
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Feminist Scholarship

Dear FSD colleagues,

Below are two notices that may be of interest * one for internships for minority students, and the other a call for papers and for reviewers from AEJMC’s Commission on the Status of Women. I hope your semesters are all going well.

Best wishes,
Marian Meyers, Chair
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PAID SUMMER INTERNSHIPS IN COMMUNICATIONS FOR MINORITIES

The Louis Carr Internship Foundation (LCIF) is accepting applications until March 1, 2006 for Summer 2006 paid internships in communications from minority students, who are now completing their freshman, sophomore or junior year of college.

The Foundation will award twenty (20) paid internships at top advertising, marketing, media information technology and other communications-related businesses in Chicago, Detroit, New York, and Washington, DC. Interns, who are matched with mentors, will participate in an 8 or 10 weeks paid internship. Interns obtain valuable hands-on experience plus insight into the challenges and rewards of careers in the communications industry.

Please help the Foundation communicate the paid internship opportunities to your students. All details and the application form for Summer 2006 internships are only available on the Foundation’s website at http://www.louiscarrfoundation.org.

In 2003, Louis Carr, President of Broadcast Media Sales at BET, created the Foundation to increase multiculturalism and to enhance diversity within the communications industry. A veteran of over 20 years in the industry, after hearing much talk in the industry about the under-representation of minorities, but witnessing very little action, he established the internships to ensure more diversity.

LCIF internships give highly motivated minority students, who cannot afford to take non-paying summer internships, a chance to get career-building experiences in top communications companies while earning needed money for college.

Also, the LCIF internship program helps companies to identify, recruit,
and maintain a multicultural workforce, which reflects the changing racial composition of the USA and the challenges of multicultural global markets.

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AEJMC COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN 2006 PAPER CALL


We welcome research papers, in which gender is a main focus, that use a variety of approaches and research methods, including, but not limited to, critical, empirical, ethnographic, historical, legal, and semiotic.

It is expected that the research will demonstrate a familiarity with feminist communication theory where appropriate.

We especially encourage submissions by students.

Authors of accepted papers must be able to present their papers at the conference.

Submission guidelines: Submit six hard copies of the paper, including a 75-word abstract on a separate page. Suggested paper length is 25 pages of 12-point type, excluding notes, references, and figures or illustrations. Identify author(s) on a separate page with mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address of author to whom correspondence should be directed.

Paper title should appear on all pages as a running head.

Please include the AEJMC Copyright Permission Form.

Submissions cannot be under consideration for presentation at other conferences or publication by hard copy or electronic journals.

Submissions must be postmarked by April 1, 2005.

Send submissions and direct questions to: Brenda J. Wrigley, CSW Research Chair, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, 215 University Place, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13244. Questions? brwrigle@syr.edu or phone 315-443-1911.

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CALL FOR REVIEWERS

The Commission on the Status of Women seeks judges to referee its 2006 research paper competition. We expect submissions that use a variety of approaches and research methods, including, but not limited to, critical, empirical, ethnographic, historical, legal and semiotic, in the area of gender and communication. Judges should be familiar with feminist communication theory in the areas they designate as their areas of expertise.

Judging will occur during the month of April 2006. If you would like to serve as a judge and offer constructive criticism to fellow scholars in the field of gender and communication, we would appreciate your time and expertise! Please e-mail Research Chair Brenda Wrigley at Syracuse University at brwrigle@syr.edu.

In your message, please include the following information:

Your name and title
University address
Snail mail address to which papers should be sent (if different from university address) e-mail address Telephone number (office) Preferred areas of review (by methodology and/or topic areas)

We sincerely appreciate your help with reviewing. All reviewers will receive a personal letter of thanks for use in tenure reviews or annual reviews.

If you know you can review, please send your e-mail to Brenda today! The more reviewers, the shorter the review time for each person!

Many thanks,
Brenda Wrigley
CSW Research Chair 2005-2006

Journalism Studies

Journalism Studies at ICA bold international conference in Porto Alegre

The ICA Journalism Studies Interest Group together with the Brazilian Society of Journalism Researchers (SBPJor) and IAMCR Professional Education Section join forces to organize an international conference on "Thinking Journalism Across National Boundaries: New challenges and Emergent Perspectives". The conference, which is scheduled for 3—5 November 2006 in the beautiful town of Porto Alegre, Brazil, aims to give a significant contribution to further internationalization and integration of journalism studies. It intends to facilitate the dialogue between schools of thought and regional traditions of studying journalism. The conference will coincide with the annual meeting of the Brazilian Society of Journalism Researchers.

The conference organizers invite submissions of high-quality papers addressing conceptual and methodological issues related to journalism as field of studies, area of education and object of research. They particularly welcome submissions which drive journalism studies toward further internationalization by, for instance, introducing new approaches to journalism that emerged from specific cultural contexts but may provide new insights that enhance our existing understanding of journalism on a global scale. Papers may address efforts to
reconcile paradigms that seem antagonistic at first sight as well as suggest new ways how journalism studies should respond to the new challenges that come along the onward march of globalization and development of communication technologies. Other papers may emphasize methodological issues in cross-cultural and comparative journalism research. Provided the overall quality of submissions is excellent, a selection of best papers will be published in a special issue of Journalism Studies.

Submission deadline is May 1, 2006. More information can be obtained from http://www.icahdq.org/divisions/JournalismStudies/jsigweb4/papers.html.

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Mass Communication

The Mass Communication Division received an almost unprecedented number of submissions for this year’s Dresden conference. Submissions came in from scholars around the world. Outside of the United States, South Korea actually may be the country with the largest number of individual paper and panel sessions submitted to the Division this year. With a near record number of submissions, the Division especially wishes to thank the hardworking reviewers for their timely response and careful reading of the paper and panel submissions.

To maximize opportunities for paper authors to present their work and interact with audiences, the format of most sessions is more intense this year. Rather than the usual four papers with a chair and respondent, many sessions have five papers and a chair to moderate audience questions. A very successful format in recent years has been the “high density” paper session, designed to maximize audience/author interaction: presenters take three to five minutes to introduce their study and then retreat to different corners of the room where they interactively discuss with those interested. This “high density” paper session will be the format for at least two sessions this year. And there is also the Plenary Paper/Poster Session for which three highly competitive cash prizes ($500, $250, and $100) for top papers will be awarded.

Two of the few sessions that take a traditional form this year are the top paper sessions. The 2006 Mass Communication Top Paper award goes to Edith Smit, Peter Neijens, and Marijnje Stuurman of the University of Amsterdam for their paper entitled “Attention to newspaper ads: the concerted action of medium, ad, and reader.” The authors note “The aim of our study is to show how readers pay attention to ads embedded in national newspapers. A total of 26,556 respondents were surveyed about their reading behavior, their recognition of (the content of) ads published in yesterday’s newspaper, and their appreciation of these ads. Attention was measured with several measures indicating different levels of ad processing. The included 290 advertisements were then content analyzed and related to the reactions of the readers. Results showed that the influences of media position (i.e. prominent position in the newspaper), ad layout (bigger size) and ad content (more colors) were stronger in the first attention phases (where pre-attention and focal attention of the reader is drawn) than in subsequent phases. On the other hand, influences of reader characteristics (age, reading intensity, ad liking and involvement) were stronger in subsequent phases of attention where comprehension of the message and elaboration takes place.”

The Top Paper panel includes four papers. The other three top papers are:

“Neutralizing the Third-Person Bias Through Self-Monitoring: Media Diaries, Media Use, and Retrospective Recall” - Prabu David, Mihye Seo, Tom German, and Natalie Guinsler, Ohio State U.

“Sex-Segregated News Consumption: Origins of Gender-Typed Patterns of Americans’ Selective Exposure to News Topics” - Silvia Knobloch-Westerwick, Ohio State U; and Scott Alter.

The top student paper award this year goes to Rena Rudy, Univ. of California-Santa Barbara, for her paper on the domains of media desensitization. The abstract follows: “Media researchers share no clear consensus about the meaning of desensitization, and about the relationships among behavioral, cognitive, emotional, and physiological domains of desensitization. This study investigated the interrelationships among these domains using television violence as a stimulus and measures from all four domains as outcome variables. Media violence exposure produced emotional and physiological desensitization in men, but not in women. Additional results indicated that physiological response to violent media was the strongest predictor of intervention behavior, that emotional response to violent media was the strongest predictor of proviolence attitudes, and that the influences of physiology and emotion were largely independent of the other domains. A model of the causal sequence of desensitization suggested by the results of this study is provided.”

The Mass Communication Division Top Student Paper panel includes four papers:


“That Could Be Me: Parasocial Identification, Reality Television and Viewer Self-Worth” - Helen Ho and
Dara Greenwood, U of Michigan.

“A Features Analysis of Multimedia Convergence on US Television Media” - Siddhartha Menon, Michigan State U.

“Redefining Reality TV: Exploring Viewers’ Perceptions of Nine Subgenres” - Mina Tsay, K. Maja Krakowiak, and Christine Kleck, Penn State U.

All top paper winners will receive their awards at the Mass Communication Division Business meeting.

Finally, rather than having a reception in the conference center, the Division will host an informal reception at a local pub where colleagues will have the opportunity to meet one another. The location will be announced at the business meeting and in the conference program.

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Philosophy of Communication

Thanks to the extraordinary efforts of deputy chair Ingrid Volkmer, the Philosophy of Communication division has an outstanding program for the ICA in Dresden. We have sponsored two key note speakers, Professor Jürgen Habermas, and Professor Manuel Castells. The individual paper and panel sessions complement Castells’ and Habermas’ lines of argumentation. You will find on one hand sessions about new phenomena of network cultures and on the other about public discourse. The overriding perspective is the global setting in which these phenomena take place. There will be the traditional Philosophy of Communication party held on the day of Habermas’ address, June 20. We will keep members informed of the location, and urge everyone to JOIN the Philosophy of Communication division so as to be included.

Christina Slade, Chair
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Political Communication

The program is online
Patricia Moy, our unit planner and next Chair of our Division, has finished her long and hard work of putting the 2006 program together. She has come up with an exciting program indeed and the Division is thankful to her for the marvellous job she has done. We all look forward to attending the Conference in a few months in beautiful Dresden.

A special thanks goes also to the 129 reviewers who volunteered their time and expertise to evaluate the numerous submissions received. Ninety-four of 173 manuscripts and 11 of 27 proposed panels were accepted for the 2006 conference program. The degree of competition is increasing over the last years, surely a sign of the growing quality of scholarly works being presented and discussed in our Division. Something to be proud of!

Extraordinary Preconferences

Besides the dense conference program, the Political Communication Division has co-sponsored or organized two very interesting pre-conferences, in such appealing venues as Budapest and Munich, the weekend before Dresden. Please make sure to register to attend one of them on your way to Dresden. In both cases the program includes tours and other amenities.

Preconference #1: Joint Preconference of the Philosophy of Communication and Political Communication Divisions; sponsored by the Project Global Communication Studies, Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania; the Center for Media & Communication Studies, Central European University, Budapest; and the COST A30 Media Scholars Network

Title: Influencing Outcomes: Communications Research and Global and Regional Policy Transformations

Time and Place: June 16-17, 2006, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

Cost: $100.00 (Includes meals, materials and entertainment fees)

Limit: 60 Participants

Preconference #2: Political Communication Division Preconference and the Institute of Communication and Media Research, Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany

Title: Messages from Abroad – Foreign Political News in Globalized Media Landscape

Time and Place: Saturday, June 17, 2006, LMU Munich, Kleine Aula, Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 1, Munich, Germany

Cost: Free of charge
Limit: 40 Participants

Check the ICA Preconference website for more details: http://www.icahdq.org/events/conference/2006/PreconferenceInfo.htm.

Division’s Website

Don’t forget to stay tuned with what’s on in our Division. Visit often our website: http://www.asc.upenn.edu/icapolicomm.

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Public Relations

Host Hotel for ICA PR Division

As those of you who have accessed the ICA Conference 2006 website know, conference organizers have designated host hotels for each division and interest group to facilitate networking opportunities. The host hotel for the Public Relations Division is the Art’otel Dresden, a modern 4-star hotel featuring the work of local artist A. R. Penck. The hotel is located in the historical center of Dresden, a convenient 5-minute walk from the conference site (the
International Congress Center of Dresden). The ICA conference rate for the Art’otel Dresden is 115 euros (single) and 130 euros (double). Due to the limited number of hotel rooms, ICA conference organizers encourage members to reserve rooms by April 15, 2006. For more details regarding the Art’otel Dresden and other host hotels, please access the ICA Conference 2006 website at http://www.icahdq.org/events/conference/2006/hotelinfo.html.

**Grunig Awards Deadline Extended**

Reminder: The deadline for submitting manuscripts for the James E. Grunig and Larissa A. Grunig Outstanding Thesis and Dissertation Awards has been extended to March 30, 2006. Those who defended theses or dissertations from January 16, 2004, through January 15, 2006, are eligible to enter. This competition cycle differs from previous years in that entrants are being asked to condense their theses or dissertations into 30- to 40-page manuscripts. Submission guidelines can be found on the ICA PR Division website, http://www.icapr.org/News.html. If you have questions, please contact the competition chair, Bey-Ling Sha, at 1-619-594-0641 or bsha@mail.sdsu.edu.

Cindy Christen, Secretary
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**Sorry, But When It Comes to Email Addresses, You May Have Only One . . .**

Email has become a way of life, and ICA uses it extensively—for billing, program assignments, membership, and just about every other communication we have with our members—and it usually works just fine. Occasionally, however, we run into problems (or you do) because you use a different email address from the one ICA has in our records for you. The result can be duplication or miscommunication. Consider your email address your unique identifier for all ICA purposes and please use only one email address for all your ICA business. That makes our job easier and results in better service to you.

Thanks.

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Dresden Altstadt skyline at night, from the Marienbrücke bridge. (Photo: DWT/Dittrich)
**Calls for Papers**

**CALLS FOR PAPERS/ABSTRACTS**

*Journal of Intercultural Communication Research.* James W. Neuliep, Editor-elect, JICR, Department of Communication, St. Norbert College, 100 Grant St., De Pere, WI 54115. Email: jicr@snc.edu.

**Feminist Media Studies.** Authors in North America, Latin America and the Caribbean: submit to Lisa McLaughlin, Editor; email: mclaughlm@muniohio.edu. Authors in Europe, Africa, Asia and Australasia: submit to Cynthia Carter, Editor; email: cartercl@cardiff.ac.uk.


**Journal of Communication Studies,** National Council of Development Communication. Soliciting research papers, abstracts. Email: Shveta Sharma, communication@jcs@yahoo.com.

Hampton Book Series: *Communication, Globalization, and Cultural Identity.* Jan Servaes, Hampton Book Series Editor, c/o School of Journalism and Communication, University of Queensland, Brisbane QLD 4072, Australia. Phone: +61 (7) 3365 6115 or 3088. Fax: +61 (7) 3365 1377. Email: j.servaes@uq.edu.au.

Manuscripts. *Subject Matters: A Journal of Communications and the Self.* Email: subjectmatters@londonmet.ac.uk.

Submissions. *Journal of Middle East Women’s Studies (JMEM).* Info: Marcia C. Inhorn, Director of the Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies, U of Michigan, and Mary N. Layoun, Chair of Comparative Literature, U of Wisconsin, Madison. Email: jicr@wbs.ac.uk.

Deadline extended. Papers. *Journal of Middle East Media (JMEM),* Center for International Media Education (CIME) at Georgia State U and the Arab–U.S. Association for Communication Educators (AUSACE). Mohammed el-Nawawy, Senior Editor, Department of Communication, One Park Place South, 10th Floor, Georgia State U, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, USA. E-mail: jouman@langate.gsu.edu.

June 1, 2006. Call for Papers. Special issue of *Journal of Family Communication:* “Shifting the Boundaries of Work and Family–Life Communication Scholarship: Investigating Unpaid Family Labor.” Submissions are open to diverse, empirical scholarly investigations including various participants, methods, voices, and theoretical orientations. Submissions must include two hard copies of the full manuscript and one electronic copy in an MSWord compatible format. Manuscripts may not exceed 30 pages in length. The review board for this special issue will include selected members of the JFC Editorial Board as well as invited Guest Reviewers. All inquiries about the special issue or submissions should be sent to:

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September 15, 2006. Call for Papers. Special Issue of *Organization* on Managing Identities in Complex Organizations. This issue aims to present in-depth empirical research that explores the construction of identity amid such struggle. We invite papers that examine processes of identification and identity work, as well as their implications for management practice; Submissions must be sent electronically to organization@wbs.ac.uk as Word attachments with “Managing Identities in Complex Organizations” in the subject line of the email. They should be prepared according to the guidelines.
published in Organization and on the journal’s website: http://www.sagepub.co.uk/journalmanuscript.aspx?pid=105723&sec=1. Papers should be between 5000 and 8000 words, and will be blind reviewed following the journal’s standard process. For further information, contact Robyn Thomas thomasr4@cf.ac.uk.

CONFERENCES


July 6–10, 2006. International Association for Relationship Research Conference, Rethymnon, Crete (Greece). Info: http://www.iarr.org/. Email questions about local arrangements to k.kafetsios@psy.uoc.gr. Email questions about submissions to LARR2006@listserv.iuuc.edu.


July 30–Aug. 4, 2006. 2nd IGEL (International Society for the Empirical Study of Literature and Media) Summer Institute, Ludwig-Maximilians-U of Munich. (see the IGEL 2006 Call for Papers at http://www.arts.ualberta.ca/igel/ for examples of the kind of topics to be investigated). Deadline for admission applications (only by email!) is 31 March 2006. Applications should be accompanied by: a statement of motivation, CV, brief statement about how you see empirical studies in your future career, and description of a research project you plan to undertake which may be discussed at the Institute. Please send applications and inquiries to Willie van Peer, w_vp@yahoo.com.

November 1–4, 2006. “Sexuality: No East, No West”—The First Asia Oceanic Federation Conference on Sexology, The Emerald Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand. Topic for presentation and discussion are: Sexuality, Media, Art & Culture; Sex Education; Sexual Physiology; Conception & Contraception; Sexual Dysfunctions; Sex & Illness; Sex Trauma; Alternative Sexual Orientations; Recent Advance in Sexology; AIDS & Sexually Transmitted Diseases; and Miscellaneous Issues. For more information please visit http://www.cottita.org.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

March 31, 2006. Application Deadline. Postdoctoral & Dissertation Fellowships in Media, Religion, and Culture, University of Colorado, Boulder. For more information, visit http://mediareligion.org/ or contact Monica Emerich, monica.emerich@colorado.edu.

The Canadian Journal of Communication (CJC) is a quarterly peer-reviewed journal committed to publishing outstanding scholarship in communications, media and cultural studies, journalism and information studies. CJC is looking for theoretically innovative and methodologically challenging original manuscripts, in English or French, for immediate peer-review. To submit an article for peer-review go to the CJC website http://www.cjc-online.ca and click on the “submit” button. Articles for peer-review should be approximately 6,000 to 8,000 words in length. In addition to the traditional peer-reviewed article the CJC will develop innovative forms and formats for discussions of current practices including: media reviews, research overviews of current projects, and polemical commentaries. These submissions are shorter in length and may be either more descriptive or experimental in tone. Please direct ideas and inquiries to editor@cjconline.ca. For information on book reviews please contact our book review editor, Leslie Regan Shade, at review_editor@cjc-online.ca. Info on CJC: Kim Sawchuk, Editor, CJC, editor@cjc-online.ca.

The first issue of Social Influence, a quarterly journal published by Psychology Press, is set to appear in spring of 2006. Social Influence is now accepting submissions on such topics as social influence tactics, compliance, advertising and mass media, political process, contagion, rumors, interpersonal influence, influence in democracies, power, as well as other topics related to social influence. The journal accepts long empirical articles, shorter empirical articles, theoretical pieces, literature reviews, historical and biographical pieces, articles on
the application of the science of social influence, and commentary. To find out more about Social Influence, visit their website at http://www.socialpsychologyarena.com or email Anthony Pratkanis, Editor, at petibo@cats.ucsc.edu.

**Visiting doctoral fellowships.** The Media Management and Transformation Centre (MMTC) at Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University, Sweden, in the field of media business and media economics for advanced doctoral students. Dr. Cinzia dal Zotto, Research Manager, Media Management and Transformation Centre, Jönköping International Business School, P.O. Box 1026, SE-551 11 Jönköping, SWEDEN. Info: http://www.jibs.se/mmtc. Email for more information: cinzia.dalzotto@ihh.hj.se.

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**Call for Proposals: ICA Handbook Series**

The ICA Handbook series is a joint venture between the International Communication Association and Lawrence Erlbaum Associates. It is a series of scholarly handbooks that will represent the interests of ICA members and help to further the association’s goals of promoting theory and research in the communication discipline.

These handbooks will serve as benchmark summaries of current communication scholarship and will set the agenda for future theory and research in the communication discipline. The series will include handbooks that consider content areas in communication research, methodological approaches to communication research, and theoretical lenses for scholarship in communication.

We especially seek proposals that attempt to cross subdisciplinary boundaries to address timely problems of international scope, not just representing different areas of the field but bringing them together to focus on intersecting problems and research interests. For example, such problems might be formulated as topical concerns (globalization; democracy; gaming and virtual environments; gender and sexuality), theoretical approaches (social cognition; critical studies), or matters of communication in general (communication theory across cultures; communication history).

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Shortlisted candidates may be interviewed in ICA 2006 in Dresden, Germany. Please indicate in your application letter whether you will be attending ICA 2006.

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Director of Communications, Jones Graduate School of Management

The Jones Graduate School of Management at Rice University seeks qualified applicants for the non-tenure track position of Lecturer of Communications to begin on May 1, 2006. The successful applicant will have at least a Master’s degree in a relevant area, plus experience in teaching communications, including oral presentations, writing style and grammar, corporate communications, and effective use of graphics. Some industry experience is preferred.

In addition to teaching, the position involves the coordination of activities of our Communications faculty group, currently consisting of four members, and being the primary spokesperson for them within the Jones School. Therefore, the successful candidate will have excellent leadership and interpersonal skills, in addition to being an excellent teacher.

Our Communications faculty are expected to provide communications instruction in our three MBA programs – day, evening, and weekend. Therefore, duties for the Director may involve some evenings and some weekends (Saturday).

All applicants should send a curriculum vitae and teaching evaluations to Jackie Gambrell electronically to gambrell@rice.edu or by fax to (713) 348-5102.

Rice University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and encourages applications from qualified minorities.