Late in the afternoon of December 30, 1903, a group of twenty-five distinguished American economists and historians gathered in Tilton Memorial Library (now Tilton Hall) at Tulane University to adopt the constitution and elect the first officers of the American Political Science Association. The event marked the beginning of what is now the oldest, largest, and most influential of all existing national political science associations.

Between January 9–11, 2004, to mark the centennial of the APSA’s founding, the Murphy Institute gathered an equally distinguished, but more international, group of scholars to participate in a conference that examined the past achievements and future prospects of the “scientific” study of politics. “Sciences of Politics,” a three-day conference held in the same setting where the APSA was launched, was conceived and organized by Professor Martyn Thompson, and co-sponsored by the Conference for the Study of Political Thought.

“The first task of the conference,” Professor Thompson explained, was to explore the “remarkably long history of the idea that politics is, or can be, the subject of science. With that end in mind, we invited scholars who could elicit the character of the main varieties of the ‘science of politics,’ ranging from the earliest neo-Aristotelians to present-day American-style academic political scientists.”

The second task of the conference, Thompson continued, was to address “the current cultural politics

(from left to right) Prof. Jaime Fisher of Tulane University, Prof. Martyn Thompson of Tulane University, Prof. Michael Stolleis of Frankfurt University, and Dr. Michael Philipp of Augsburg University.

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This is a great time for the Murphy Institute. By almost every meaningful measure of academic quality, we can be described as one of Tulane University's great success stories. Taken together, the widely acclaimed teaching and scholarship of our faculty, the innovations we’ve introduced by establishing the Center for Ethics and Public Affairs, and the continuing success of our undergraduate program in political economy identify the Murphy Institute as a core component of Tulane's reputation for academic excellence.

Put more simply, the Murphy Institute has come of age. At Tulane, it now plays a vital and many-sided role in supporting research and scholarship of the highest quality, at the same time as it continues to sponsor the University’s most acclaimed interdisciplinary program. During 2003–2004, several developments provided new testimony to support this claim:

- Certainly, one of the highlights of the year took place on January 9–11, 2004, when scholars from around the world gathered here to attend the “Sciences of Politics” conference, which we hosted in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the American Political Science Association on the Tulane campus (see p. 3). Conceived and organized by Martyn Thompson, and co-sponsored by the Murphy Institute and the Conference for the Study of Political Thought, this interdisciplinary conference explored both the past achievements and the future prospects of the “scientific” study of politics.
- The undergraduate program in political economy continued to attract some of Tulane’s finest students. Of the thirty-seven seniors who earned their B.A.’s over the course of the last seventeen years, and gone on to pursue graduate and professional degrees at universities such as Chicago, Columbia, Duke, Harvard, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Washington University, Georgetown, Stanford, North Carolina, Vanderbilt, and Tulane.

The building blocks of our success have been various. The Murphy Institute has six “core” faculty members who year-in and year-out teach courses specifically designed for the major, along with faculty affiliates in Economics, History, Philosophy, and Political Science who teach cross-listed, departmentally-based courses. The Director of the Murphy Institute has received both the Sheldon Hackney Award for Excellence in Teaching and the Student Senate Award for Excellence in Teaching, and was chosen Louisiana Professor of the Year in 1989 by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. The Associate Director has three times been recipient of the Student Senate Excellence in Advising Award. With grant support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the basic contours of the political economy program were put into place in 1987. In the early 1990s, a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation also provided generous support for new faculty positions in international political economy.

Established in 1990 through the generosity of Charles M. Murphy Jr. (1920–2002), the Murphy Institute is a university-wide interdisciplinary community at Tulane that exists to help faculty and students understand economic, moral, and political problems we all face and think about as citizens. More important, it exists to help us see why and how these problems have come to be as closely interrelated.

Within this broad purpose, the Murphy Institute supports a number of academic programs. Among Tulane undergraduates, the Murphy Institute is best known for its highly successful program in political economy. What began in 1984 as a modest venture with three students has grown to become one of Tulane’s most acclaimed and popular interdisciplinary majors. Testimony to the success of the program has been abundant. More than 400 students have graduated with B.A.s over the course of the last seventeen years, and gone on to pursue graduate and professional degrees at universities such as Chicago, Columbia, Duke, Harvard, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Washington University, Georgetown, Stanford, North Carolina, Vanderbilt, and Tulane.

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The Murphy Institute also sponsors (with Cambridge University) “Murphy Institute Studies in Political Economy,” a series of occasional volumes comprising original essays first presented at conferences sponsored by the Institute. To date perhaps the most successful book in the series has been The Culture of the Market: Historical Essays (1993), ed. Thomas Haskell and Richard F. Teichgraeber III, which collected papers first presented at an NEH conference organized and hosted by the Murphy Institute. We also sponsor (with Sage Publications) the academic journal PPE: A Journal of Politics, Philosophy & Economics. Two Murphy Institute faculty—Gerald Gaus and Jonathan Riley—are the journal’s founding editors. They envision conceived PPE as a forum for interchange of concepts and methods among scientists, philosophers, and economists interested in analyzing and evaluating political and economic institutions and practices. The inaugural issue of PPE appeared in February, 2002.

In July 2001, the Murphy Institute broadened its operations to sponsor a new Center for Ethics and Public Affairs, which offers both Visiting Faculty Fellowships and Graduate Prize Fellowships. The idea driving the Center is that Tulane should have a place where faculty, students, and visitors can more broadly examine critical issues of right and wrong, justice and injustice, citizenship and community, and the ethics of the political economy.

In May 2004, the Murphy Institute’s undergraduate program enrolled 125 Tulane and Newcomb undergraduates pursuing bachelor of arts degrees in political economy. Our alumni—most still in the early stages of their careers—are pursuing professional careers across a remarkable variety of fields. The Murphy Institute’s core faculty are among Tulane’s most productive and respected, honored in recent years with both major teaching awards and prestigious research fellowships. In Fall 2001, the Murphy Institute’s Center for Ethics and Public Affairs welcomed its second class of Graduate Prize Fellows and its first class of Visiting Faculty Fellows.


Judith Kelleher Schaffer, Associate Director of the Murphy Institute, published a new paper on “The Strange Career of Jean Charles David, Attorney at Law,” in Louisiana History (July 2003). Her book Becoming Free, Remaining Free: Manumission and Enslavement in New Orleans, 1846–1862, was published by LSU Press in Spring 2003. Professor Schaffer was awarded the Garnie McGinty Distinguished Career Service Award by the Louisiana Historical Association at its annual meeting in March 2004.

Richard F. Teichgraебer III, Director of the Murphy Institute and Professor of History, is the author of two forthcoming review-essays: “Capitalism and Intellectual History,” in Modern Intellectual History, 1, 2, (2004), and “The Rehistoricisation of Adam Smith,” in The Adam Smith Review, 2004, Volume 2. He also presented a new paper on “Race and Academic Culture: The ‘Twin Conventions’ and the Bassett Case,” at the CSPT Annual International Conference on “Sciences of Politics,” co-sponsored and hosted by the Murphy Institute, the conference commemorated the 100th anniversary of the founding of the American Political Science Association in Tilton Memorial Library at Tulane University.

Marcy Thompson, Associate Professor of Political Science, was co-editor of the most recent volume of Politisches Denken Jahrbuch (Duncker & Humblot: Berlin, 2004), and contributed three intellectual biographies (Sir Matthew Hale, Dr. Peter Paxton, and Daniel Defoe) to the Dictionary of British Economists, ed. Donald Rutherford (Theoemmes Continuum: London, 2004). Professor Thompson is Elected Vice President and President Elect of the Michael Oakeshott Association. He also was organizer of the January 9–11, 2004 Conference for the Study of Political Thought Annual International Conference on “Sciences of Politics.” Co-sponsored and hosted by the Murphy Institute, the conference commemorated the 100th anniversary of the founding of the American Political Science Association in Tilton Memorial Library at Tulane University.

Further information about the Fellowships and applications may be obtained from the Center page on the Murphy Institute web site at www.tulane.edu/murphy or may be requested by contacting:

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Applications must be received by December 8, 2004.
WE ASKED JERRY GAUS, Professor of Philosophy, and one of the Murphy Institute’s core teaching faculty what he’s been reading lately. Since his appointment in Fall 2000, Professor Gaus has made the ethical or “normative” dimensions of political economy a central topic of study for undergraduate majors.

A core question in normative political economy is whether policies should be evaluated in terms of their consequences for human welfare or according to principles of fairness. In FAIRNESS VERSUS WELFARE (Harvard University Press, 2002), Louis Kaplow and Steven Shavell are especially critical of what they see as the ex post focus of fairness. Purveyors of “fairness” doctrines consider only what is to be done after an act has been committed (or a rule violated), rather than what is to be expected before setting up a system of rules. In contrast, welfare economics is consequentialist. This approach supposes “that each individual’s well-being affects social welfare in a symmetric manner, which is to say that the idea of social welfare incorporates a basic notion of equal concern for all individuals.”

Kaplow and Shavell concede that social norms of fairness may be useful approximations to what is required to promote welfare in everyday life. But they insist that such norms are not useful guides to welfare maximization in policy contexts, and hence have no independent normative standing. It is “as if” Kaplow and Shavell argue with this general approach. In SKEPTICISM AND FREEDOM: A MODERN CASE FOR CLASSICAL LIBERALISM (University of Chicago Press, 2005), he advances a consequentialist case for classical liberalism. Any plausible justification of a politico-economic order must be consequentialist, Epstein argues, in part because “dogmatic” deontic pronouncements such as Kant’s “fall on barren ground today.” For Epstein, the Pareto criterion is the core of normative political economy, though he is willing to employ—as some Political Economy 301 students may fondly recall—the Kaldor-Hicks criterion and, in fact, social welfare functions that happen to include interpersonal comparisons and trade-offs of welfare.

According to Epstein, all the central principles of classical liberalism—individual autonomy, private property, freedom of contract, tort law, regulation of monopoly, and the like—can be justified consequentially. In doing so himself, however, Epstein makes it clear that he is not a libertarian. So we find him endorsing forced exchanges that benefit both parties—the efficient supply of public goods, for example—even while arguing against any commitment to redistribution.

Bruce Caldwell, in HAYEK’S CHALLENGE (University of Chicago Press, 2004), a new intellectual biography of F.A. Hayek, questions the reliance upon consequential calculation in formulating policy. Hayek stressed that while economics is indeed a predictive science, it only generates abstract predictions of fairly large-scale patterns of economic systems. But these are not fine-grained enough, in his view, to allow over-all judgments about the expediency of public policies.

Hayek’s great insight, Caldwell writes, was to see that “for many social phenomena, the market mechanism among them, the best that we will ever be able to do is explain the principles by which they work. For such phenomena, precise predictions will be forever out of our reach; only pattern prediction will be possible.” But if precise predictions of consequences are not possible, how do we go about evaluating public policy? Hayek believed that some form of evolutionary ethic could explain how we come to be guided by principles, even though we cannot predict the specific consequences of acting on principles.

An interesting alternative to evolutionary accounts is to insist that we can know that some principles of fairness are correct, not because they have evolved but because we can reason our way to them. REAL LIBERTARIANISM REASSESSED: POLITICAL THEORY AFTER VAN PARIJ’S (Palgrave Macmillan, 2003), edited by Andrew Reeve and Andrew Williams, evaluates the theory of distributive fairness advanced by Philippe Van Parijs in his book, REAL FREEDOM FOR ALL (Oxford University Press, 1995). Van Parijs proposed what he called a “left-libertarianism.” His is a libertarian theory because it sees each person as a self-owner (each owns his own endowments, e.g. talents.) What makes his theory “leftist” is Van Parijs’s insistence that external endowments should be equalized. He argues not for a strict egalitarianism of external endowments, but rather for a sustainable maximization of them. In practical terms, this means that those with the least opportunities should be given the highest sustainable unconditional income. Then the next least advantaged group’s incomes should be maximized, and so on, subject to the constraint of sustainability.

Taken together, these five challenging books show that the debate between advocates of welfare consequentialism and principles of fairness has become a central issue in the study of political economy. The books also remind us that study of “political economy” is not simply concerned with explaining the relation between politics and economics. It also aims at providing a moral grounding for evaluating public policy on economic issues.
Thirty-Seven Paul Tulane and Newcomb College Seniors were awarded B.A. degrees in political economy at the May University Commencement. Several received high academic honors: Molly Elgin and John Howell graduated summa cum laude; Jason Antrican, Brian Kelly and Christopher Meyer magna cum laude; and Rebecca Easby-Smith, Daniel Ersbamer, LeilaFarrahi, Noah Ginsburg, Lauren Henderson, David Kinney, Josh Maltzer, Marquess Meeks, Laura Nicholson, Elizabeth Talbot, Lauren Von Bernuth and Rachel Walsh cum laude. Molly Elgin, Brian Kelly, John Howell, and Christopher Meyer were also elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society. John Howell also was one of three finalists for the William Wallace Peery Medal for Academic Excellence.


At the 2004 Commencement, Molly Elgin received the Newcomb College Charles H. Murphy Prize in Political Economy and was named to the Newcomb College Center Board. John Howell won the Tulane College Charles H. Murphy Prize in Political Economy. Each also received a Senior Scholar Award from the Tulane Honors Program: Rebecca Easby-Smith and Lauren Von Bernuth were also named to the Newcomb College Mortar Board, and Laura Nicholson was selected as the 2004 Newcomb College Commencement Speaker. Christopher Meyer won the Department of Political Science’s Sigma Alpha Award, given annually to the graduating senior who has done the most in his class to stimulate scholarship and intelligent interest in the subject of government.

During 2003-2004, students in the political economy program were also recognized for a broad variety of contributions to university life: Tim Box received the Laura Massart Award in recognition of six semesters of volunteer work for the Tulane Emergency Medical Service (TEMS). Rebecca Easby-Smith and Contributing Writer for the New Orleans Electronic Digest (www.nao-ed.com). During 2003-2004, David Kinney was recipient of Tulane University’s Distinguished Scholar Award. Josh Maltzer was Vice President of the Paul Tulane College Senate. He also was recipient of the Tulane University Crest Award for Outstanding Leadership and member of the Tulane College Leadership Caucus. Christopher Meyer was President of the Tulane College Honor Board. He was named Outstanding Senator for his service to undergraduate student government at Tulane. Chris also served as Chair of the Louisiana Federation of College Republicans. In September 2004, he will attend the Republican National Convention in New York as the youngest elected delegate in the history of the convention. During the Winter-Spring semester, Rebecca Easby-Smith had an internship with the Bureau of Government Research (BGR) in New Orleans. Her project was to provide an analysis of affordable housing programs in other cities across the country that BGR could use for application in New Orleans.

Patrick Babine ’05 served as an Undergraduate Student Government Representative on the College Senate, and was subsequently elected President of that body. Kelley Bagayoko ’04 was President of the African American Women’s Society at Tulane.

Quinlan Cartman ’06 will spend his junior year abroad.

[UNDERGRADUATE POLITICAL ECONOMY PROGRAM]

Members of the Murphy Institute’s 2004 graduating class will pursue a variety of career paths. Jason Antrican will study for a masters degree at the University of Edinburgh (Policy Studies), then apply to law school. Tim Box will attend the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas, where he plans to specialize in health care issues. After a summer job as conference assistant for the National Young Leaders Forum on Medicine in New Orleans, Ben Caryl will enter Tulane Law School in Fall 2004. Both Molly Elgin and Laura Nicholson have been accepted to the Japan Exchange and Teaching Program (JET), and will spend next year teaching English in Japan. Rebecca Easby-Smith has been admitted to the Masters Program in Public Policy at the College of William and Mary. Daniel Ersbamer will work in the apprenticeship program at the Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation in Washington, D.C. This Koch program assists non-profit organizations with fund raising. Leila Farrahi will attend Northwestern Law School, and Jarett Hamstreet will attend law school at the University of Oregon. Evan Prewett will graduate in December 2004 with a double major in political economy and business management.

Graduating Seniors

John Howell will attend Harvard Law School.

Fernando Hurtado will be the Director of Public Relations for Machu Picchu Travel Services, Inc. in New Orleans. He plans to work there for a few years and then enroll in law school. Josh Maltzer will work for Americorps as a team leader in Washington, D.C. Marquess Meeks will attend Georgetown Law Center. Christopher Meyer will work for the Bobby Jindal for Congress campaign, after which he will attend law school.

Randall Mcleaird has been accepted to the Goethe Institute in Berlin to study the German language in a yearlong intensive course. After completing the course, he will enroll at Humboldt University to conduct a research project on perceptions and cultural encodings of inequality by young second- and third-generation Turkish emigrants in Germany. Chris Meyer has been hired as a service manager by an automobile dealership in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Masharika Prejean will attend the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin, where she will study for a masters degree in health policy. Vikram Vij will study for a masters degree in Homeland Security, then plans to attend law school.

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Molly Elgin ’04 (left) graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa, with Honors in Political Economy. She will work for the Japan Exchange and Teaching Program during 2004-2005.

Tim Box graduated cum laude and will attend Georgetown University Law Center this fall.

Leila Farrahi, candidate for Who’s Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, will attend Northwestern Law School.

Daniel Ersbamer was awarded the Ronald Reagan Future Leaders Scholarship by the Phillips Foundation. He also received Tulane’s Aaron Mintz Brotherhood Award for service in the area of interfaith relations, and an internship with the Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation in Washington, D.C. This Koch program assists non-profit organizations with fund raising.

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Class of 1987

NAOMI GARDBERG is Assistant Professor of Management at the Zicklin School of Business at Baruch College in Manhattan. She also serves on the New York City Tulane Alumni Board and the Newcomb College Alumnae Board. After teaching for five years at the Ross School in East Hampton, New York, ERIC TOWELL has taken a new position at the Prem Tinsulanonda International School in Chiang Mai, Thailand. He reported that during the interview process, leading international schools were particularly interested in discussing his undergraduate degree at the Murphy Institute.

Class of 1988

BRITTNEY ASHER JACOYES lives in Tinton Falls, N.J., where she is a consultant with Tastefully Simple, a Minnesota-based home-testing company that markets gourmet foods and household products. She also lives in Mandeville, Louisiana, where he is a major account manager for Cisco Systems, Inc. HANS LUEKEMEIER continues as President of General Steamship Corporation, Ltd. in New Orleans. LARRY MANSEL is the owner of International Ticket Company, Elliot Ticketing Company, and Universal Checkpoint Systems in Covington, Louisiana.

Class of 1989

MICHAEL ARATA is Special Counsel at Montgomery Barnett practicing civil litigation and entertainment law. He also recently starred in a Lifetime movie of the week, Infidelity, which aired in April 2004. His film, The Scoundrel’s Wife, will be released on DVD/Home Video by Blackbluster in April. Shawn FUL, his documentary on the southern Jewish experience, is still running on Showtime. The United States Department of Justice recently appointed SEAN RERKOWITZ trial counsel for the Enron Task Force. He will be based in Washington, D.C. with frequent trips to Houston for the length of the assignment. After his commercial moving business fell victim to the fires in San Diego in October 2003, JAMES BOURGEOIS decided to return to Louisiana. He has set up his new road grading business, James Bourgeois Contractor, Inc. in Raceland, and hired MARC CONRAD (’90), a New Orleans attorney, as the firm’s secretary-treasurer. After receiving a masters degree in International Economics from George Washington University, MICHAEL FELDSTEIN is an owner of a high technology chemical company specializing in proprietary software. He currently buys customers and distributors called Surface Technology Inc. in Trenton, N.J. LISA KAHN recently celebrated ten years of work for MCI in Dallas. She manages a contact department responsible for all network related contracts. After receiving an MBA at Loyola of Maryland, STEVE MILLER works in Baltimore as Controller for Tidelwater Physical Therapy, one of the largest privately held rehabilitation agencies in the country. LISA NEWMAN is an estate planning and probate attorney in the Travis County District Courts in Austin, Texas.

Class of 1990

SALOMON REHAR works with the law firm of Galindo, Arias & Lopez in Panama City, Republic of Panama. WHITNEY HOUGH WIENER continues as a Senior Business Development Analyst with the Business and Planning Group of Williams Gas Pipeline in Cypress, Texas. KAREN JACKSON EASON continues as a Managing Director with the firm of Workforce Professionals in Litchfield, Connecticut. In January, DANNY JOHNSON joined the management team of the Capital Group, a commercial real estate business. JAVIER ESPINOSA JIMENEZ and his partner Javier Espinosa Jimenez. During the last elections he became a member of the political Commission of the National Liberal Party RONI AMIT is finishing her Ph.D. in political science at the University of Washington. Her dissertation is on international human rights law in domestic courts. NEIL BLUMOFES continues as Cantor at the Congregation Agudas Achim synagogue in Austin, Texas. CATHERINE MCLAUGHLIN CASTALDO received an MBA at Kennesaw State University. She is President of the Junior League of Cobb-Marietta, Georgia. NOEL COMEAUX is Project Professional VII Transportation Planner with Earth Tech, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia. DAN COUGHLIN is an attorney with the firm of Fuller and Vaughan in Kingsport, Tennessee. Following a residency in Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at St. Joseph’s University Medical Center in Philadelphia, Robert GLASGO completed a fellowship in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. He now practices in Nashville, Tennessee. In New Jersey, VALERIE WAGNER LONG continues practicing real estate and land use law with Mehl and Miller in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. JEFF MOSCOT received a law degree from Tulane Law School in 1994 and an MBA from Tulane in 1997. He recently returned to Los Angeles where he serves as the Executive Director of the Century City Capital Group, a commercial real estate business.

Class of 1991

After becoming Secretary General of Foreign Relations of Panama, FRANCISCO ALVAREZ DE SOTO became Legal Vice-President for New Businesses and Contracts of Cable and Wireless, Panama, S.A., the largest telecommunications company in Panama. He has also consolidated his law firm. Alvarez De Soto & Espinosa Jimenez with his partner Javier Espinosa Jimenez. During the last elections he became a member of the Political Commission of the National Liberal Party. RONI AMIT is finishing her Ph.D. in political science at the University of Washington. Her dissertation is on international human rights law in domestic courts. NEIL BLUMOFES continues as Cantor at the Congregation Agudas Achim synagogue in Austin, Texas. CATHERINE MCLAUGHLIN CASTALDO received an MBA at Kennesaw State University. She is President of the Junior League of Cobb-Marietta, Georgia. NOEL COMEAUX is Project Professional VII Transportation Planner with Earth Tech, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia. DAN COUGHLIN is an attorney with the firm of Fuller and Vaughan in Kingsport, Tennessee. Following a residency in Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at St. Joseph’s University Medical Center in Philadelphia, Robert GLASGO completed a fellowship in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. He now practices in Nashville, Tennessee. In New Jersey, VALERIE WAGNER LONG continues practicing real estate and land use law with Mehl and Miller in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. JEFF MOSCOT received a law degree from Tulane Law School in 1994 and an MBA from Tulane in 1997. He recently returned to Los Angeles where he serves as the Executive Director of the Century City Capital Group, a commercial real estate business.

Class of 1992

ASHLEY LIEBKE is Director of Corporate Services at Distributed Audio Entertainment (DAVE). Check out the company website at www.dave-ent.com. LORETTA GALLAHER MINCE practices civil litigation with the law firm of Cobbs-Marietta, Fishman, Haysgood, Phelpa, Walmsley & Castex. She represents the New Orleans Times Picayune, litigating First Amendment issues and cases under the federal and state freedom of information laws. TONY GRIFFA is Commissioner at the Leon County Courthouse in Tallahassee, Florida. PAUL SCHAEFER continues as Choral Director and Voice Teacher at the University of Minnesota, River Falls. On weekends, he serves as Music Director at St. Lawrence Church and at the Newman Center at the University of Minneapolis. PAUL WEBB is a Consultant with Sentinel Benefits in Wakefield, Massachusetts. He works with companies to design and implement retirement plan, health and welfare, and Budget, Washington, D.C. MAC BRUTON recently returned to New Orleans, where he is Senior Account Manager at Intermarine Incorporated.

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YOU NG A B P L A N A L P was the briefing attorney to the chief judge of the Travis County District Courts in Austin, Texas.
to build Bush administration plans to lease Bering air/planes as aerial-refueling tankers. The case served as the main plot line for the February 18, 2004 episode of NBC's "The West Wing."

Class of 1993
KEITH DENS is a partner of the law firm of Foley Thompson & Dews, in Philadelphia. His areas of practice include criminal law and civil and bankruptcy law. KRISTIN FURISH is an attorney in the international legal department of a large engineering, development and construction company in Mexico. GRUPO ICA. LARA GELLER is working as a permanent placement recruiter with Edward Jones Group, LLC in Sunrise, Florida, specializing in Finance and Accounting profession for the company's products in development. JASON COOK is Vice President for Research at Gramercy Advisors, LLC in Greenwich, CT.

Class of 1994
ANTON DUPLESSIS received a masters degree in International Relations and Spanish from Texas A&M University, College Station, where he is now Assistant Lecturer in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages. DOUGLAS JAFFE is Vice President of Investor Relations at InvestorCom, Inc., a boutique consulting firm on Wall Street that specializes in investor relations and corporate governance counseling.

Class of 1995
MAUREEN BASS received her J.D. from Syracuse Law School in 1995. She works as a commercial photographer in London. PAUL MASON will spend the next year in Baltimore, Maryland, studying Reservoir Hill as a sustainable neighborhood as the final project for his Masters in Architecture from Morgan State University. After ten years as a television anchor/reporter, BETSY MCAUTHUR LEROV has begun medical school at the University of Arizona College of Medicine in Tucson. CHRISTOPHER OELLMANN works at AstraZeneca Pharmaceutical company in Wilmington, Delaware, forecasting outstanding teacher candidates. ANDREA MARSH has been awarded a Soros Justice Advocacy Fellowship by the Criminal Justice Unit of the Open Society Institute. In March 2004, she also became Director of the Indigent Defense Reform Project of the ACLU of Texas in Austin. BRAD METTLE is working as a consultant in Sales and Marketing for the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque. DAVID SLS will be Chief Resident in Pediatrics at Inova Fairfax Hospital for Children before going on to complete a Fellowship in Pediatric Nephrology at the University of Texas-Southwestern in Dallas. JAMES WILSON has become Assistant Director of the Center for Louisiana Studies at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Class of 1996
JONATHAN BERRY launched a hedge fund, Paramount Asset Management in Daphne, Alabama. JONATHAN BETER has become the Associate General Counsel for the Department of Defense Dependents Schools (Pacific) in Okinawa, Japan. In this capacity he handles various issues including federal contracts, federal ethics, competitive sourcing, employment litigation, special education, and international agreements. JAMES ESPOSITO is Senior Network Engineers in Information Systems at the Andra Corporation in Weston, Florida. ERIC STRAUSS continues as Associate Producer at ABC News Prime Time in Manhattan. He is presently working a segment looking at the growing numbers of autistic children, educational options and costs issues of treatment. CHANTALLE VERNIER is a counselor program in History at Michigan State University. She is writing her dissertation on Haiti's "Second Independence," which will explore the challenges of Haiti-U.S. Cooperation between 1947-57.

Class of 1997
SUZANNE BRADLEY TAYLOR continues as Senior Research Analyst at the New PoliHitns Sales and Policy at Arizona State University. After completing an MBA at the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University in May, LEN KASAVECH was hired as Director of Corporate Development at ETTRADE Financial in Arlington, Virginia. JENNIFER RAYMER is an associate with the law firm of Shearns & Sharman LLP in their Washington, D.C. office. CHRISTOPHER SUELLENTROP continues as Department Bureau Chief for Slate.com in Washington, D.C. where he writes a weekly "Assessments" column and edits the technology section. He is covering the 2004 Presidential campaign. Jennifer and Chris were married in November 2003. GEORGE LYNCH is a former project manager of Chemositeon International in Washington, D.C. He will attend graduate business school at Vanderbilt University in Fall 2004. After six years of service in the Medical Services Corps, ANDREA ZAVOS is leaving the U.S. Army and moving to New York. She has obtained board certification in healthcare management and plans a career in healthcare administration.

Class of 1998
After serving a tour of duty flying helicopters on the USS Enterprise, Lieutenant TRECQUEEN has been transferred to the Fleet Replacement Squadron in San Diego as an H-60 instructor pilot. JENNIFER LUCAS is a marketing consultant at Wells Fargo Bank, focusing on retail and business banking initiatives in Seattle. JENNIFER OBERDORFF is a financial analyst in the Private Client Services Department of Bear Stearns & Co. in Manhattan. STEPHANIE SIKES is enrolled in the Ph.D. program in accounting at the University of Texas at Austin. Her course work consists of graduate level courses in finance, economics, and statistics as well as accounting. TODD ROJAS is a Masters degree in Business Administration from the American Management Association of Los Angeles. He is working as a consultant for Tides Inc., in New Orleans. This summer he will begin a masters program in finance at Tulane. He writes that his political economy major "helped me to better understand and deal with the economic and political challenges Tidewater faces overseas."

Class of 1999
AARON ALLARDYTE will graduate from New York University Law School in June and will take the New York Bar Exam in July. He has accepted an offer of employment from Sidney Austin Brown and Wood in Manhattan. TIERANN ERICKSON is in the New York City Teaching Fellows Program. She teaches math in a Brooklyn high school and plans a career in healthcare administration.

Class of 2000
AMY BENOLD HEUTEL contiunued to work for the Austin Integrated School District, teaching 6th grade bilingual class at the McAlister Elementary School. REUBEN HALPER is working in sports broadcasting as an associate producer of NASCAR on FOX and NASCAR on NBC television in Manhattan. MATT KUVINEN, a Special Agent with the Diplomatic Security Service, recently returned from a two-month tour of duty in Southeast Asia.
Kahul, Afghanistan. He is awaiting his next overseas assignment. After completing an MBA at Syracuse University, PHILIP Mancini has enrolled in the Masters Program in Public Affairs at Syracuse’s Maxwell School. NORA Miles Rigby graduated from Vanderbilt Law School in May 2003. She is currently serving as clerk for Judge Rhea Barksdale, US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Jackson, Mississippi. This September, she will begin as an associate with Willmer, Cutler & Pickering in Washington, D.C. JEREMY PERELMAN is retail analyst for J. Goldman & Co., a New York hedge fund. After graduating from Tulane Law School, RONALD J. Scalise, Jr. accepted a position at Stone Pigman Walther Wittmann, working as an associate in the New Orleans firm’s business section. Following his graduation from the University of Oregon Law School, TYLER STORTI is clerking for the Honorable Michael R. McLaughlin of the Ada County District Court, 4th Judicial District in Boise, Idaho. He will begin practicing law at the firm of Stewart, Sokol & Gray, LLP in construction and business law. Following service in the Peace Corps, ARYN Thomas has completed her first year of law school at the University of Virginia. After receiving a masters degree from Columbia University’s Graduate School of Architecture, Planning, & Preservation, ARBE VERNICK is now working as a planner in the Manhattan office of Edward Jones, an engineering and planning firm.

Class of 2002

AARON DANIELS graduated from the Georgetown Law Center in May. In September, he will move to Manhattan, where he will work with the law firm of Seward & Kissel LLP in the investment management department. BARRABA HALLENECK is a registered marketing associate with Sanford Bernstein in New Orleans. After graduating from Georgetown Law Center in May, MoIRA MCDONOUGH will begin work as an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan. After graduating from Boston University Law School in May 2004, ERICK MARIN will work at Gunderson Dettmer in Boston in the corporate securities department. RAGAN NARESH is in California working for Hilburon, Hawkins and Company, where he oversees a new subsidiary seeking to carve out a niche in wholesale overseas internet provider sales. He has been accepted at Georgetown Law Center for Fall 2004. SIENNA RAKESTRAW received her J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law in Chicago. After taking the Texas bar exam, she will work at King and Spalding in Atlanta. She will attend the University of Tennessee Law School in Fall 2004. JONATHAN CAYE works at Wachovia Securities as a Corporate Fixed Income trader in Emerging Markets in Richmond, Virginia. KEVIN COPeland worked for the John Kerry campaign in South Carolina in Summer 2003 before enrolling in the Masters Program in Social Policy and Planning at the London School of Economics. JANET DAILY deferred entering law school at the University of Colorado for one year to work on the presidential campaign of Howard Dean. She has applied for a position with Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, a program for enriching children’s lives as a way to combat crime. Second Lieutenant CHARLES DISSTON is a student at the U.S. Army flight school at Ft. Rucker, Alabama. ADAM FLISS is managing litigation in the Travelers toxic torts office in Connecticut. He plans to attend the University of Connecticut Law School in Fall 2004. DAVID HYMAN teaches business English as a second language in Madrid, Spain. DEANNA REMMES is working at Goodwin Procter, LLP in Boston as a case assistant in their litigation department. BRANDON WARSHAWS is staff assistant in the White House Travel Office.

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of political science, especially American political science. “From its beginning, political science has prided itself on being a ‘real world’ discipline, with aims that range from the democratic consolidation of states in transition to the revolutionary transformation of new states. Several conference participants discussed the impact of American political science on political studies in Europe and Asia, and in the process explore the identity of American political science as seen from the vantage point of significant ‘outsiders.’”

Class of 2003

After working for a year, BROCKTON BOSSON will attend the University of Tennessee Law School in Fall 2004. JONATHAN CAYE works at Wachovia Securities as a Corporate Fixed Income trader in Emerging Markets in Richmond, Virginia. KEN COPeland worked for the John Kerry campaign in South Carolina in Summer 2003 before enrolling in the Masters Program in Social Policy and Planning at the London School of Economics. JANET DAILY deferred entering law school at the University of Colorado for one year to work on the presidential campaign of Howard Dean. She has applied for a position with Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, a program for enriching children’s lives as a way to combat crime. Second Lieutenant CHARLES DISSTON is a student at the U.S. Army flight school at Ft. Rucker, Alabama. ADAM FLISS is managing litigation in the Travelers toxic torts office in Connecticut. He plans to attend the University of Connecticut Law School in Fall 2004. DAVID HYMAN teaches business English as a second language in Madrid, Spain. DEANNA REMMES is working at Goodwin Procter, LLP in Boston as a case assistant in their litigation department. BRANDON WARSHAWS is staff assistant in the White House Travel Office.

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at the University of Paris. THOMAS DOWELL ’05 spent his junior year at INSTEP Cambridge, where he also had an internship with PACEC (Public and Corporate Economic Consultants) in Cambridge. This summer he will have an internship with the Presidential Classroom (PC) program in Washington, D.C. FC Interns are provided valuable work experience in the epicenter of American politics. SUZANNE FRENCH ’05 studied at the London School of Economics during her junior year, and ran in the London Marathon. PETER GLENN ’06 will spend his junior year at the Sorbonne in Paris. JOHN HRYHORCHUK ’05 was the Main Section Editor of the Tulane Hullabaloo. During Winter-Spring semester 2004, he also had an internship with the Bureau of Government Research (BGR) in New Orleans. His project was to provide an analysis of blight elimination programs in Baltimore and Philadelphia that BGR could draw on for application in New Orleans. SARAH MILLER ’06 will spend her junior year in Senegal studying at the Baobab Center. Operated by African Consultants International, the Baobab Center operates in partnership with the Office of International Education at Beloit College. JULIE NIEMCZU ’05 spent her junior year at the Universidade de Sao Paulo, Brazil. Invited participants included Michael Brintnall (Executive Director, American Political Science Association), J.G.A. Pocock (Johns Hopkins), James Moore (Concordia), Alan Ryan (Oxford), Cheryl Welch (Simmons), Dorothy Ross (Johns Hopkins), Wilhelm Bleek (Bochum and Toronto), and Reji Matsumoto (Waseda). Tulane faculty participants included Nancy Maverty, Thomas Langton, Jonathan Riley, Gerald Gaus, and Richard F. Teisgraber III.

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Her stay there was funded by a David L. Boren Scholarship from the National Security Education Program. OLVIVIA WATKINS ’06, Army ROTC cadet, chaired the Newcomb Senate Spring Arts Committee, which planned and implemented a week-long arts festival. JEFF GREENBERG ’06 was named to the Tulane College Honor Board. And finally, this summer IRFAN MEHMOOD ’03, ALEXANDRA CHINN ’04, and MARY RUTHERFORD ’06 will attend the Summer Institute of the Fund for American Studies Program in Washington, D.C. In partnership with Georgetown University, the Summer Institute combines lectures, coursework, internships, and site briefings at key institutions of national government.

Clearly, the undergraduate program in political economy remains one of the Murphy Institute’s fundamental strengths. In May 2004, we counted 125 undergraduate majors: of these 77 are students in Tulane College; 45 in Newcomb College; and 3 pursuing double majors in the Freeman School of Business. Eighty-four finished the academic year with grade point averages above 3.0, twenty-eight with 3.5 or higher. Twenty-eight political economy majors were members of the Tulane Honors Program, and ten were Dean’s Honor Scholars.
Tilton Hall Memorial Library (now Tilton Hall), New Orleans Daily Picayune, March 3, 1901, p.10. Drawing was commissioned to mark the inauguration of Edwin Alderman as Tulane’s new president.

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