

Faculty Achievements and Activities – Fall 2010

CMC's faculty members continue to distinguish themselves in their respective academic fields. Following are highlights of current faculty activities:

■ **Audrey Bilger**, associate professor of literature and faculty director of CMC's Writing Center, received a book contract from Seal Press for an anthology she is co-editing with Michele Kort, senior editor, *Ms. Magazine*. The book will cover the changing landscape of same-sex marriage for women and will be titled "*Here Come the Brides! The Brave New World of Lesbian Marriage*." She received support for this project from the Berger Institute.

■ **Mark Blitz**, Fletcher Jones Professor of Political Philosophy and director of the Salvatori Center, published a new book entitled *Plato's Political Philosophy* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2010).

■ **Roderic Camp**, Philip M. McKenna Professor of the Pacific Rim, had his book *The Metamorphosis of Leadership in a Democratic Mexico* published (Oxford University Press, 2010) in October, and a Spanish translation of his book entitled the *Mexican Military on the Democratic Stage* (Siglo XXI, 2010), will be published this month in Mexico.

■ **Jay Conger**, the Henry R. Kravis Research Chair in Leadership Studies has been named the Institute Chair for the Kravis Leadership Institute.

■ **Mary F. Evans**, Mitchell Family Associate Professor of Environmental Economics and George R. Roberts Fellow, presented at a conference at the University of Michigan, "HRS and PSID Workshop on Spatial Distance between Family Members." The talk was on "The Role of Dependency in Adult Child and Older Parent Migration Decisions: Impacts of Air Pollution Exposures."

■ **Darren Filson**, associate professor of economics, published "The Impacts of the Rise of Paragraph IV Challenges on Startup Alliance Formation and Firm Value in the Pharmaceutical Industry" with Ahmed Oweis, in the *Journal of Health Economics*.

■ **Niklas Frykman**, assistant professor of history and a Croul Junior Fellow, was published in October in the *Journal of Social History*. His article was titled "The Mutiny on the Hermione: Warfare, Revolution, and Treason in the Royal Navy."

■ **Lenny Fukshansky**, associate professor of mathematics, had his paper "Bounds on Generalized Frobenius Numbers," accepted for publication in the *European Journal of Combinatorics* (joint with Achill Schurmann - University of Rostock, Germany). Professor Fukshansky took a month-long invited research visit to the Institut des Hautes Etudes Scientifiques (IHES) in Paris, France. He delivered two invited colloquium talks and two invited seminar talks at different universities: "Small zeros of hermitian forms over quaternion algebras," Universite Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris 6), Number Theory Seminar; "On the Frobenius problem and its generalization," Colloquium, University of Rostock (Germany); "On Siegel's lemma outside of a union of varieties," Algebra and Geometry Seminar, University of Magdeburg (Germany); and "Searching for rational points on varieties over global fields," Colloquium, Uppsala University (Sweden).

■ **Wei-Chin Hwang**, associate professor of psychology, was published in several journals including *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, *American Psychological Association Press*, and *Asian American and Pacific Islander Children and Mental Health, Volume 1: Development and Context*.

■ **Amy Kind**, associate professor of philosophy, had a paper entitled "Transparency and Representationalist Theories of Consciousness" published in *Philosophy Compass*. She also presented her paper "The Heterogeneity of Imagination" at a workshop on "Imagination and Imaginings" in Tubingen, Germany.

■ **Sam Nelson**, assistant professor of mathematics, has had three additional papers accepted for publication and organized a session on Algebraic Structures in Knot Theory at the AMS meeting at UCLA. He also gave talks at the Fullerton College Math Colloquium, and the Knots in Chicago conference.

■ **John J. Pitney, Jr.**, Roy P. Crocker Professor of American Politics, continues to be the "go to" politics and government expert for media outlets across the country. He has done more than 350 interviews since June 1 and recently appeared as an election evening analyst on KCAL9 in Los Angeles. In addition, his writings have seen strong representation throughout the fall in the *New York Times* Room for Debate blog on politics and government topics. Several opinion pieces have been printed including "The GOP and the Temptation of Hubris," in the *Wall Street Journal*; "Unions, Secular Whites Part of GOP's California Problem," *Orange County Register*; and "California: Brown's Dilemma with the Budget," *San Diego Union-Tribune*. Professor Pitney also served on two panels, one covered by C-SPAN, in September at the American Political Science Association in Washington, DC.

■ **Catherine Reed**, professor of psychology and neuroscience, received a NSF Major Research Equipment grant of \$411,008 for the purchase of high-density EEG equipment for the neurophysiology lab. She was honored as a 2010 Fellow by the Western Psychological Association. Professor Reed has also co-authored a Peer-Reviewed Published Technical Paper, "The effects of context and steering on a driver's functional field of view." The paper was presented at the 54th annual meeting of the Human Factors and Ergonomic Society. Professor Reed also was an invited speaker at the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, and the Conference on the Insula, Grenada, Spain.

■ **Ronald E. Riggio P'10**, Henry R. Kravis Professor of Leadership and Organizational Psychology published two book chapters "Emotional intelligence and interpersonal competencies," in *Self-Management and Leader Development*, and "Emotional intelligence and other intelligences," *Political and Civic Leadership*. He has made numerous presentations including engagements at the Academy of Management, Montreal, Canada; International Leadership Association, Boston; and the Leadership Symposium for the Mosbacher Institute for Trade, Economics, and Public Policy, G.H. Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University.

■ **Catharine E. Wall**, visiting assistant professor of Spanish has written *The Poetics of Word and Image in the Hispanic Avant-Garde* (Juan de la Cuesta Hispanic Monographs, 2010).

■ **Keri Walsh**, assistant professor of literature, authored "Why Does Mickey Rourke Give Pleasure?" which appeared in the journal *Critical Inquiry*.

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■ **Tom Willett**, director, Claremont Institute for Economic Policy Studies and Horton Professor of Economics, spoke at a conference on the IMF and World Bank in Tubingen, Germany and gave a talk on the global financial crisis at the University of Heidelberg. He also gave talks on this subject in the fall at the Central University of Finance and Economics in Beijing, and Seton Hall and George Mason Universities. He also organized several sessions on topics in international money and finance for the annual meetings of the Western Economics Association in Portland, Oregon in late June and the Asia Pacific Economic Association in Hong Kong in July, where he served as a panelist, chair, and discussant. In September he gave the keynote address at a conference on regional financial and regulatory cooperation in Beijing. In addition, his paper on international reserves and China's monetary policy was published in the *Journal of International Money and Finance* and he had five papers accepted for publication.