Faculty Presentations

2014

- **Kevin Bruyneel**, History and Society, recently made two conference presentations of “Race, Colonialism, and the Politics of Indian Sports Names and Mascots: The Washington Football Team Case;” the Comparative Colonialism workshop at Tufts University was held in October, and the American Studies Association Conference was held in Los Angeles, in November. This project was supported by a BFRF summer stipend.

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- This fall **Yunwei Gai**, Economics, will be traveling to the Beijing International Convention Center, Beijing, China where he will be presenting “Assessing the Impact of Pharmacist Mal-distribution On Self-Reported Health In Rural And
Urban Counties In the U.S.” at the International Society for Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research (ISPOR) 6th Asia-Pacific Conference

- Last spring, Tina Opie, Management, was invited to apply her research to current events on Emily Rooney’s “Greater Boston.” You can view a video of her interview here and check out her website and blog at Hair As Identity

- The hearty folks who made their way through the snow to the Glavin Chapel last Tuesday evening were rewarded with a wonderful performance of On the Wing: A Celebration of Birds in Music and Spoken Word. Inspired by his love of nature, composer and Berklee College of Music Professor Andrew List created the uniquely collaborative performance piece that marries music, song, poetry, and expert commentary on birds. On the Wing showcases 12 original songs by List, played by noted pianist George Lopez, Artist-in-Residence at Bowdoin College, and sung by renowned mezzo-soprano Krista River. Interspersed through the song cycle are poems written and recited by poet and Babson College English Professor Mary Pinard (who also wrote lyrics to the music), and commentary by Wayne Petersen, Mass Audubon’s Director of Important Bird Areas and an expert guide.

- Last spring, Fatemeh Emdad, Mathematics and Science, attended the Joint Hudson River Undergraduate Mathematics Conference with two of her students, Jennifer Appel and Simon Shi. They presented the research that they did under her supervision. Fatemeh said this was a great experience and she “strongly encourages other students to do research and go to conferences and present their work and Babson community as well.” The conference is a one-day regional undergraduate mathematics conference that features 15 minute talks given by undergraduate students.
Vicky Crittenden taught a one-week PhD course in International Business at KTH Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm, Sweden in September. Students in the class were from Canada, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Slovenia, South Africa, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

Yunwei Gai, Economics, presented his BFRF-sponsored project, “Supply of Family Physicians and the Influenza Vaccination in the United States: Individual and Neighborhood Effects,” at the International Health Economics Association Congress in Sydney, Australia on July 10, 2013. The Congress is the most prestigious international organization for health economists with over 2,000 members from 70+ countries; the review process for podium presentations is highly competitive and extremely selective.


Kandice Hauf, History and Society, spent part of her spring break in San Diego, CA, where she made a presentation at the Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference. Her talk, “Ming Academies as Confucian Monasteries,” was part of a session on “New Perspectives on Academies in Middle and Later Imperial China.” The Association for Asian Studies (AAS) is a scholarly, professional organization with approximately 8,000 members worldwide.

Janice Yellin made a number of scholarly contributions, 13 site essays, and 1 long essay (20 pages) on Nubian Religion to the recent volume Ancient Nubia: African Kingdoms on the Nile, published by The American University in Cairo Press. In early February, The American University in Cairo Press announced that Ancient Nubia was named best book in the Archaeology and Anthropology
category during the 37th Annual American Publishers Awards for Professional and Scholarly Excellence (PROSE) ceremony in Washington.