Weiser Center for Europe & Eurasia

Annual Report
2011-12
WCEE and WCED concluded another eventful and exciting year. Beginning with a lecture by former Ambassador Christopher Hill on Afghanistan, WCED public events included lectures and panels by several policymakers and diplomats, former government leaders, international entrepreneurs, and experts on the rule of law in new democracies and post-communist transitions to the market economy. We continued to bring prominent experts and practitioners to campus and the community and offer specialized faculty-led workshops and conferences on topics as varied as Islam and religion, the media, health policy, and much more.

WCEE further continues to support the development of scholarly and policy expertise with Weiser Professional Development Program Fellowships and Weiser Faculty Grants. WCED promotes graduate student research with Weiser Emerging Democracy Graduate Fellowships and the Emerging Democracies Graduate Workshop, in which students engage directly with scholars and practitioners. We thank our many supporters, whose commitment has helped us to expand our programs and secure a place of importance at the University of Michigan.

Anna Grzymala-Busse  
Ronald and Eileen Weiser Professor of European and Eurasian Studies  
WCEE/WCED Director
**Weiser Professional Development Program Fellows, 2012**

Grants awarded to faculty and artists at institutions of higher education in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Kaliningrad (Russia), Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Turkmenistan, and Ukraine for short visits to Ann Arbor to promote research collaboration with U-M faculty.


**Weiser Faculty Grants, 2011-12**

Awarded to U-M faculty for projects addressing historical or current articulations of cultural, economic, political, and social life in Europe and Eurasia. Projects engaging WCED’s thematic concern for emerging democracies were especially welcomed.

Scott Greer, Public Health, for the international conference “Governing through Data: Comparative Rankings and Policy Change in the European Union.”

James Hathaway, Law, to hire graduate student research assistants to develop an EU taxonomy based on the Refugee Case Law Site. Lisa Kane Low and Ray DeVries, Nursing, for the comparative study “Models of Maternity Care: Lessons Learned through a Process of Comparative Analysis of the Dutch and U.S.-Based Systems to Promote Optimal Health Outcomes.”

Pauline Jones Luong, Political Science, for the conference “Islam, Society, and Politics in Central Asia.”

Svitlana Rogovyk, Slavic, to establish a partnership with the Ukraine 3000 International Charitable Foundation, developing course materials and exploring internship possibilities for students.

Anca Trandafirescu, Architecture, to conduct research for the project “Agree to Disagree – Phase 1.”

Geneviève Zubrycki, Sociology, for the research project “Philo-Semitism and the Jewish Renaissance: Stretching the Symbolic Boundaries of the Nation in Democratic Poland.”

**Weiser Faculty**

The following are significant accomplishments in 2011-12 reported by faculty affiliated with CES, CREES, and/or WCED.

**Books**


**Grants, Awards, & Promotions**

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WCED Graduate Fellows, 2011-12
Fellowships awarded to U-M graduate students whose work focuses on the theme of emerging democracies past or present in Europe or Eurasia.

Eugene Bondarenko, MA REES. Evolution of interethnic relations in the former Soviet Union, with a focus on Ukraine, Western Russia, Belarus, Moldova, and the Baltic States. Dustin Gamza, PhD Political Science. Religion and nationalism in post-communist states and religious influence on elections and policy outcomes in new democracies. Frank Hennick, MA REES. Nationalism, nostalgia, and attitudes toward Ottoman history in the ex-Yugoslav countries and Turkey. Matthew Parelman, MA REES/JD Law. The role of law in the development of democratic institutions, and the influence of Russian Constitutional Court decisions on the separation of powers. Brendan Reardon, MA REES/MPP Public Policy. Opposition parties and democratization in the former Soviet Union. Anna Whittington, PhD History. Soviet identity in the post-Stalin period, particularly in Central Asia. Katie Wroblewski, PhD History. Late-19th and early-20th century global intellectual networks that influenced ideas about nationalism, law, and educational policy in Poland and the United States.

Emerging Democracies Graduate Workshop, 2011-12
An interdisciplinary, not-for-credit forum convened for graduate students working on issues related to emerging democracies in Europe and Eurasia.

Faculty convener: Anna Grzymala-Busse, WCED/Political Science.

Participants: Eugene Bondarenko, MA REES; Haydar Darici, PhD Anthropology & History; Dustin Gamza, PhD Political Science; Diana Greenwald, PhD Political Science; Frank Hennick, MA REES; Matthew Parelman, MA REES/JD Law; Brendan Reardon, MA REES/MPP Public Policy; William Stroebel, PhD Comparative Literature; Maria Taylor, PhD Architectural History & Theory; Perry Teicher, JD Law/MBA Business; Nenad Tomasevic, MA REES/MBA Business; Naira Tumanyan, MA REES; Anna Whittington, PhD History; Katie Wroblewski, PhD History.

Presenters: Leszek Balcerowicz, former president, National Bank of Poland, and professor, Warsaw School of Economics; Nadia Diuk, vice president, programs for Europe and Eurasia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, National Endowment for Democracy; Jeffrey Kahn, associate professor, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law; Edwin Paxson, principal counsel, International Finance Corporation of the World Bank; Adam Daniel Rotfeld, former Polish Minister of Foreign Affairs and professor, Warsaw University; Emil Tedeschi, CEO, Atlantic Group.
CES had a banner year in terms of programming and pedagogy. Our Conversations on Europe series featured presentations by diplomats, scholars, novelists, poets, and musicians. Diego Marani—award-winning novelist and senior linguist and policy officer at the European Commission’s Directorate General for Interpretation—gave our keynote lecture, in collaboration with the LSA theme semester on language. Our programming continues to be enormously popular; CES lectures posted to YouTube have been viewed over 16,000 times. We started a blog this year to give campus experts an opportunity to comment on events in Europe. Our graduate certificate received final approval and was activated during the Winter 2012 semester, and our undergraduate minor continues to grow. As current events unfold in the EU, CES remains an ideal venue for timely and cogent response from scholars and experts.

Karla Mallette
CES Interim Director
Modern European Studies Minor Graduates, 2011-12

Summer 2011 | Devin Harte.
Winter 2012 | Karla Fernandez, Anna Lichtman, Emily Thibodeau, Mark Wilhelm, Lauren Wolfe.

Jean Monnet Graduate Fellows, 2012

Fellowships awarded to U-M graduate students for research on European integration with support from CES, Copernicus Endowment, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, and WCED.

Aleksandar Bošković, PhD Slavic. “Photopoetry Children’s Book: Serbian Surrealism in Comparison with French.”
Molly Saunders-Scott, PhD Economics. “A Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base in the EU: Incentives for Enforcement.”
Natalie Smolenski, PhD Anthropology & History. “Does Europe Exist? The Response of the Catholic Church in Poland to European Integration.”

CES Summer Research & Internship Grants, 2012

Awarded to U-M undergraduate and graduate students for summer research or internships to encourage study of Europe and European integration with support from CES, Marjorie & Maxwell Reade Graduate Fellowship, and WCED.

Jessica Beck, PhD Anthropology (Portugal); Virginia Black, MArch Architecture (France); Ari Brown, LSA (Finland); Judy Lindsay Brown, MFA Dance (Portugal/France/Germany/Austria); Ivan Cangemi, PhD Anthropology/Classical Art & Archaeology (Italy); Rebecca Cao, BA International Studies/Romance Languages & Literatures (France); Jenny Castano, MPH Health Behavior & Health Education (Spain); Dwanna Crain, PhD Classical Art & Archaeology (Romania); Natania Hortsch, BSE Materials Science & Engineering (Germany); Kirsten Kortebein, BA German (Germany); Leonora Lucaj, BA History (Spain); Masha Shulkin, BS Neuroscience (France); Kylee Stair, BA French/International Studies (France); Nikolas Sweet, PhD Anthropology (France).

Graduate Workshop on European Studies, 2012

An interdisciplinary, not-for-credit forum convened for advanced graduate students working on issues of contemporary Europe in Winter 2012.

Faculty convener: Karla Mallette, CES/Romance/Near Eastern Studies.

Participants: Aleksandar Bošković, PhD Slavic; Srinivas (Chinnu) Parinandi, PhD Political Science; Molly Saunders-Scott, PhD Economics.
**EUI Visiting Fellow, 2011-12**

The Postdoctoral Fellowship for European University Institute PhDs was introduced in 2011 to foster teaching and research on European integration. Applicants from any of the four EUI programs (Political & Social Sciences, Economics, History, and Law) are welcome to apply. While in residence in Ann Arbor, EUI Postdoctoral Fellows teach one undergraduate course and pursue their research.

This year CREES remained a vibrant institution, fulfilling its core intellectual mission and initiating new programs despite challenges posed by Title VI grant cuts. CREES offered Noon Lectures on political and cultural developments in the 20 years since the USSR’s breakup and hosted the 20th Annual Symposium of SOYUZ, the postsocialist cultural studies network. We launched the Russian Law Workshop, a forum on Russia’s legal system and business climate that was initiated by alumnus Timothy Stubbs to prepare students for internships at Salans Moscow, where he is a partner. We implemented revised curricula and added new graduate courses and an undergraduate minor in Central Eurasian Studies. Extending last year’s 50th anniversary celebration, we organized events for alumni and friends in Washington, DC and Chicago. With their support, CREES is helping to assure U-M’s renown as one of the best places to study Russia, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia.

Olga Maiorova
CREES Director
REES Graduates, 2011-12
Fall 2011 | East European Studies minor: Elizabeth Otis.

Graduate Academic Year Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowships, 2011-12
Awarded to U-M graduate and professional school students for study of modern languages and related area studies with support from the U.S. Department of Education and U-M.

Jasmine Arpagian, MA REES (Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian); Danielle Czarnecki, PhD Sociology (Polish); Johanna Folland, PhD History (Polish); Meghan Forbes, PhD Slavic (Czech); Amanda Getty, MA REES/PhD Slavic (Polish); Elizabeth Nelson, MA REES (Russian); William Stroebel, PhD Comparative Literature (Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian); Heather Tidrick, PhD Social Work & Anthropology (Hungarian); Nenad Tomasevic, MA REES/MBA Business (Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian).

Graduate Summer Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowships, 2012
Awarded to U-M graduate and professional school students for intensive language study with support from the U.S. Department of Education.

Victoria Garcia, MA REES (Russian); Frank Hennick, MA REES (Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian); Nevena Paripovic, MSE Industrial & Operations Engineering (Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian); Anna Whittington, PhD History (Kazakh).

Undergraduate Academic Year Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowships, 2011-12
Awarded to U-M undergraduate students for study of modern languages and related area studies with support from the U.S. Department of Education.

Robert Feller, BA REES/Creative Writing (Russian); Julia Hlavac, BA REES/Environment (Russian); Tetyana Rogovyk, BS Neuroscience (Ukrainian); Joanna Smulska, BA Economics (Polish).
Undergraduate Summer Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowships, 2012

Awarded to U-M undergraduate students for intensive language study with support from the U.S. Department of Education.

Louis Albertini, BA REES/International Studies (Russian); Jacob Clark, BA English (Russian); Julia Hlavac, BA REES/Environment (Russian); Kaitlin Mikatarian, BA REES (Russian); Amy Richardson, BA REES/Political Science (Russian); Michelle Szewczyk, BS Neuroscience (Polish); Anastasia Tkach, BA Political Science (Ukrainian).

Copernicus Fellowship for Incoming Graduate Students in Polish Studies, 2011-12

Awarded to an incoming doctoral or master’s level student expecting to focus graduate work on Polish Studies who has been nominated by the student’s department

Katie Wroblewski, PhD History; Barbara Zukowski, PhD Comparative Literature.

Graduate Student Instructors, REEES 395 & 396/397, 2011-12

Awarded for teaching positions in undergraduate courses: REEES 395, Survey of Russia: The Russian Empire, the Soviet Union, and the Successor States (fall); REEES 396/397: Eastern Europe in Transformation (winter).


CREES Research, Internship, & Fellowship Awards, 2012

Awarded to students in REES-related undergraduate and graduate degree programs for summer or semester-long research projects or internships at institutions and businesses in Eastern Europe or the former Soviet Union.

Anna Antoniou, PhD Anthropology (Romania); Daniel Chardell, BA REES/History/Political Science (Russia); Alina Charniauskaya, BA REES/Political Science (Poland); Paulina Duda, PhD Slavic (Lithuania); Meghan Forbes, PhD Slavic (Czech Republic); Sarah Garibov, PhD History (Russia/Israel); Jeremy Johnson, MA REES/PhD Anthropology & History (Georgia); Kirill Kalinin, PhD Political Science (Russia); Lucie Kalousova, PhD Health Services Organization & Policy/Sociology (Czech Republic); William Lamping, BA Political Science/Russian (Poland); Shaun McGirr, PhD Political Science (Russia); Nevila Pahumi, PhD History (Turkey); Jessica Robbins, PhD Anthropology (Poland).
Alfred G. Meyer Prize, 2011-12

The Meyer Prize is awarded at the end of each academic year in recognition of distinguished undergraduate research and writing in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies.

Daniel Chardell, BA REES/History/Political Science. "Lessons from Russian Roads Less Traveled: Vytega, Politics, and Provincial Paradigms."

Undergraduate Language Prizes, 2011-12

CREES annually awards prizes to the top undergraduate students studying select languages in the Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures.


Russian Law Workshop, 2011-12

A not-for-credit forum convened for graduate students interested in contemporary issues in Russian law with support from Timothy Stubbs (BA Political Science ’82, JD Law ’85, MA REES ’86).

Conveners: William Burnham, Wayne State University Law School/CREES Research Associate; Olga Maiorova, CREES/Slavic.

Participants: Yanina Arnold, PhD Slavic; Masha Bresner, JD Law; Alina Charniauskaya, BA REES/Political Science; Emily Elliott, JD Law; Eric Fidel, JD Law; Colleen Fitzharris, MA REES/JD Law; Kathryn Graber, PhD Anthropology; Elana Habib, MPH Health Behavior & Health Education; Hongda Jiang, MBA Business/MS Natural Resources & Environment; Deborah Jones, PhD Anthropology; Whitney Krogue, JD Law; Evgeny Magidenko, JD Law; Aisulu Masylkanova, JD Law; Kimberly McDonald, JD Law; Matthew Parelman, MA REES/JD Law; Kwangkeun Park, MA REES; Judith Schmidt, Law Visiting Scholar; Perry Teicher, JD Law/MBA Business.

Presenters: Jeffrey Kahn, associate professor, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law; Edwin Paxson, principal counsel, International Finance Corporation of the World Bank; Timothy Stubbs, partner and head of Russian banking and finance, Salans Moscow.
CREES Alumni

Please send news on your activities since graduation to crees@umich.edu.

Ian Campbell [BA History ’05, PhD History ’11], assistant professor history at UC Davis, was a postdoctoral fellow at Harvard’s Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies in 2011-12. Anna Cichopek-Gajraj [PhD History ’08] became assistant professor in the School of Historical, Philosophical, and Religious Studies and Center for Judaic Studies at Arizona State University in Fall 2011. Stephen Crowley [PhD Political Science ’93], associate professor of politics at Oberlin College, was a Title VIII-supported Summer Research Scholar at the Kennan Institute in 2011. Leslie Davis [PhD Slavic ’96] is director of the Office of Global Outreach at U-M’s School of Nursing. Eva-Marie Dubuisson [PhD Anthropology ’09] became assistant professor of anthropology at Boğaziçi University in Fall 2011. Kathryn Graber [MA REES ’08, PhD Anthropology ’11] received a Title VIII Research Scholarship at the Kennan Institute for Jan-Aug 2012. Brian Grodsky [PhD Political Science ’06] was promoted to associate professor of political science with tenure at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Erik S. Herron [BA REES ’00] is on leave from the University of Kansas to serve as political science program director at the National Science Foundation for 2011-13. Michelle Kelso [PhD Sociology ’10] is assistant professor of sociology and international affairs at George Washington University. Sonja Luehrmann [PhD Anthropology & History ’09], assistant professor of anthropology at Simon Fraser University, is the author of Secularism Soviet Style: Teaching Atheism and Religion in a Volga Republic (Indiana UP, 2011). Mary Manjikian [MA Political Science ’94, PhD Political Science ’97], assistant professor at Regent University Robertson School of Government, received a Fulbright Research Scholarship for a residency at Durham University, UK. Kelly Miller [PhD Slavic ’02] became director of Teaching and Learning Services and head of the College Library at UCLA in August 2011. Margarita Nafpaktitis [PhD Slavic ’03] became Librarian for Slavic Studies at UCLA in August 2011. Inna Naroditskaya [PhD Musicology ’99], associate professor of musicology at Northwestern University, authored a new book, Bewitching Russian Opera: The Empress from State to Stage [Oxford UP, 2012]. Patrick Patterson [PhD History ’01] is the author of Bought and Sold: Living and Losing the Good Life in Socialist Yugoslavia [Cornell UP, 2011]. Karen Petrone [PhD History ’94], associate professor of history at the University of Kentucky, is the author of The Great War in Russian Memory (Indiana UP, 2011). Monica Sendor [BS REES/Psychology ’09] completed an MA in international relations/conflict management at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies in May 2011 and subsequently entered the Foreign Service. Mila Shevchenko [PhD Slavic ’08] became lecturer of Russian language, literature, and culture at the University of Denver.
Calendar of Events

Outreach to Educators, Schools, & Libraries

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SEPTEMBER

Sep 14 CREES Noon Lecture. "Re-imagining the East: Russian Discourse on Asia in the Middle of the Nineteenth Century." **Olga Maiorova, U-M.** Sponsor: CREES.


OCTOBER


NOVEMBER


Nov 3 Conversations on Europe. “Europe à la Quatre (Europe in Four Pieces).” James Caporaso, University of Washington. Sponsor: CES.

Nov 4-5 Workshop. “Midwest Russian History Workshop.” Sponsors: HIST, CREES, Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies, LSA.


Nov 11 Lecture. “The Time of Pathos.” Mikhail Iampolski, New York University. Sponsors: Avant-Garde Interest Group, CREES, Department of Comparative Literature, Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures, SAC.

Nov 12-13 18th Ann Arbor Polish Film Festival. Sponsors: Polish Cultural Fund - Ann Arbor; Polish-American Congress Ann Arbor Chapter; Polish Consulate of Chicago; Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation; U-M’s CE, Polish Club.

Nov 14 Lecture. “Women in the Arab Spring.” Tawakkul Karman, Nobel Peace Prize laureate. Sponsors: Arabic Flagship Program, CMENAS, Department of Near Eastern Studies, II, Islamic Studies Program, Middle East and South Asia Gender Studies Initiative, Vice Provost for International Affairs, WCED.


Nov 18 CREES Alumni Reception. ASEEES Annual Convention, Washington, DC. Sponsor: CREES.

Nov 30 WCEE Student Presentations on Summer Research and Internships. Alina Charniauskaya, CES-EUC summer grant, BA REES/Political Science, Modern European Studies Minor; Everett Peachey, CRIF, PhD Sociology; Broderick Theis, CES-EUC Summer Grant, MA Higher & Postsecondary Education. Sponsors: CES, CREES.
**DECEMBER**


**JANUARY**


Jan 13 Lecture. “The Transition from the Late Bronze Age to Early Iron Age in the Western Black Sea Area.” Bogdan Athanassov, New Bulgarian University. Sponsors: Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, CREES.

Jan 18 CREES Noon Lecture. “New Revelations on the Second Conviction of Mikhail Khodorkovsky and Platon Lebedev.” Jeffrey Kahn (JD Law ’02), Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law. Sponsors: CREES, WCED.

Jan 19 Conversations on Europe. “Pension Policy in Central and East Europe: Reforms and Reversals.” Igor Guardiancich, EUI Visiting Fellow, U-M. Sponsor: CES.


**FEBRUARY**

- **Feb 4 Conference.** “Combatting the Fear of the Other: Redefining Xenophobia.” Sponsors: Human Rights Through Education, WCEE, others.

- **Feb 8 CREES Noon Lecture.** “Writing the Russian Conquest of Central Asia, 1839-1915.” **Alexander Morrison,** University of Liverpool. Sponsor: CREES.

- **Feb 21 WCED Lecture.** “Polish-Russian Reconciliation: Implications for Europe.” **Adam Daniel Rotfeld,** Warsaw University; former Polish Minister of Foreign Affairs. Sponsors: WCED, CE, CES, CREES, IPC.

- **Feb 22 CREES Noon Lecture.** “Sin and Salvation in the History of Russian Spirituality.” **Victor Zhivov,** University of California, Berkeley; Institut russkogo iazyka, Akademiia nauk. Sponsor: CREES.

**MARCH**


- **Mar 8 Conversations on Europe.** “Genre Trouble: Women in First-Wave British Punk.” **Karen Fournier,** U-M. Sponsor: CES.

- **Mar 13 Film.** *Cinema Komunisto.* **Mila Turajlić,** director (2011). Sponsor: CREES.

- **Mar 14 CREES Noon Lecture.** “Cinema Komunisto: Reconstructing Yugoslav Identity on Film.” **Mila Turajlić.** Sponsor: CREES.


- **Mar 22 Mediterranean Topographies Workshop/Conversations on Europe.** “Writing from a Mediterranean Island: In-Between Languages and Literary Spaces.” **Mehmet Yashin,** poet and author. Sponsors: Mediterranean Topographies Workshop, CES.


- **Mar 27 Film.** *The Long Road through Balkan History.* **Željko Mirković,** director (2010). Sponsor: CREES.

APRIL


Apr 5 Conversations on Europe. "Prostitution Reform as a Symptom of EU Integration Anxieties." Greggor Mattson, Oberlin College; OKUM Visiting Scholar, U-M. Sponsor: CES.


Apr 27 Graduation and Awards Reception. Sponsors: CES, Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies, CMENAS, CREES.

MAY

May 31-Jun 2 Film Festival. "Cinetopia International Film Festival." Sponsors: AT&T, Dickinson Wright, Michigan Theater, Money Source, Whole Foods, Zingerman’s; U-M’s II, WCEE.

JUNE


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OUTREACH TO EDUCATORS, SCHOOLS, & LIBRARIES

Cross-Center Projects

- Opportunities for Teachers e-newsletter sent to over 2,400 teachers monthly.
- International Institute Book Donation Program. CES and CREES provided area-focused book lists and books for young readers to Hamtramck Public Library to support development of cross-cultural competence.
- Presentation on Bosnia and Herzegovina by Nataša Gruden-Alajbegović, CES administrator, to prepare Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor students for a Model UN competition [Nov 15].

CREES Projects

- Presentation on Afghanistan by Alam Payind, Ohio State University, at a summer workshop for community college teachers hosted by the Midwest Institute for International & Intercultural Education [Aug 8].
- Two Russian Language and Culture Workshops by Sarah Sutter, PhD Slavic, at Hartland High School’s World Language Week [Feb 13-17].
- Eight curriculum units by K-12 teacher-participants in CREES’s 2010 Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad seminar on “Understanding Contemporary Russia” edited and posted on the CREES website.
- Grants to support short visits to U-M to develop REEE-focused curriculum were awarded to Gregory Allar, Oakland University; Noor Borbieva, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne; Robinson Yost, Kirkwood Community College; and Vahe Lskavyan, Ohio University.
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