

DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT

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Introduction

During the year, the Department continued to adjust its programmes in order to achieve greater relevance in teaching, research and outreach. It has tried to ensure that its work is supportive of efforts to diversify the economies of the region, build capacity particularly in terms of human capital, reduce the vulnerability of our small states by better preventing and controlling crime and related phenomena such as corruption and strengthen democratic governance.



Consistent with the above objectives, the Department collaborated with the Office of the Principal and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade to organize a one day symposium at UWI Mona, entitled *Situating Jamaica in the Caribbean of the 21st Century*. Various members of the Department and the UWI presented papers, along with officials of the MFAFT and private sector representatives. The symposium was a preparatory exercise for Jamaica's assumption of the chairmanship of CARICOM for the next six months and also marked the launch of collaboration between the Department and the MFAFT on the establishment of a Policy Planning Unit in the ministry which will carry out research aimed at strengthening the strategic dimensions of diplomacy.

The Department continued its work on trade policy including the training of senior government officials from several countries of the region. This is being done in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO). This training project was originally intended to be offered once but because of the quality of the courses and leadership of Dr. Lucy Eugene, it was continued indefinitely. During the year under review, Dr. Dana

Morris was awarded a WTO “chair” – which allows for the further development of this field and the increased involvement of our graduate students in supportive research. Dr. Eugene has terminated her contract with the UWI but Dr. Morris will continue with aspects of this programme of activities.

New offerings in Public Sector Management will further contribute to capacity building in the state sector. A new graduate course in e-governance was delivered during the year. A new member of faculty whose disciplinary specialty is public policy and whose research interest is in technological solutions to developmental problems was recruited. The Department is making the necessary cross-campus, national and international partnerships to further advance this aspect of its work.

The Department has undertaken a project to “Build Civil Society Capacity to Support Good Governance by Local Authorities”. In June 2010, the Centre for Leadership and Governance was contracted to be the implementing partner on behalf of the UWI for this UNDP-funded project. Project Coordinator is Professor Trevor Munroe, Ms. Avagay Simpson is Project Associate and Professor Anthony Harriott is Chairman of the Project Board which includes representatives of the Department of Local Government, the National Association of Parish Development Committees (NAPDEC) and the UNDP.

Recognizing the centrality of the crime problem in Jamaica and the Caribbean region, the department increased its courses in criminology and criminal justice. Several seminars and symposia on security related issues were held in collaboration with the Office of the Principal and the Institute of Criminal Justice and Security. The National Integrity Action Forum (NIAF), which operates within the Centre for Leadership and Governance, has an active programme of work on the prevention and control of corruption. During the Academic Year 2009 to 2010, the NIAF, a project of the Department’s Centre for Leadership & Governance directed by Professor Trevor Munroe with support from the USAID, continued to contribute significantly to building a mutually supportive network amongst the heads of Jamaica’s eleven public sector anti-corruption institutions, including the Offices of the Chief Justice, the Contractor General, the Director of Public Prosecutions, the

Commissioner of Customs, the Director General of Tax Administration, the Anti-corruption Branch of the JCF, among others. Manuals, based on Consultants' reports, are currently being completed to enhance training of prosecutors in best practice related to anti-corruption cases and to sensitise magistrates on the importance of the control of corruption in Jamaica's governance system. These sessions are being conducted in conjunction with the Justice Training Institute.

Research and Publications

During the year, the members of the Department published 4 books and 9 refereed articles, including a book chapter. Five members of the Department, **Gavin Daley, Lawrence Powell, Eris Schoburgh, Lloyd Waller** and **Anthony Harriott**, received the Principal's Awards for quality research. The members of the Department are engaged in continued research on the following topics:

- Technology and Governance
- Institutional Capacity and Public Sector Reform
- Chinese Foreign Policy in the Caribbean
- Regional Integration
- Gangs and Garrison Politics
- Truth Commissions
- Political Culture

Teaching Highlights

The international programmes of the Department offer our students valuable exposure to other cultures and opportunities for educational enrichment.

Dr. Jessica Byron, UWI Coordinator for the UWI/UAG/IEP M.Sc. in Politics and International Cooperation which is a programme offered by the Department of Government, travelled to IEP Bordeaux with PVC for Graduate Studies, Professor Ronald Young for a ceremony on April 8,

2010 among the three participating universities and the French Ministry of Higher Education. The ceremony marked the signing of an agreement by the French Government to provide, between 2010 and 2013, up to six scholarships annually to UWI students who will participate in this programme to finance their years of study in Bordeaux and in Martinique.

Graduate Programmes

The number of graduate students that are enrolled in our programmes remains stable. During the period under review 161 students were enrolled in our programmes as follows: 141 in the MSc programmes, 7 in the MPhil and 13 in the PhD programme.

As planned, **Dr. Lawrence Powell** developed a new course for the graduate curriculum. It is called “Research Development Seminar for MPhil and PhD Students” and was offered during the year. The responses of the students have been good.

During the period under review, eleven graduate students were enrolled in the UWI Parliamentary Research Internship Programme. At the request of MPs and Senators through the Clerk to the Houses of Parliament, research briefs and papers were prepared by interns, under the supervision of **Professor Munroe**, on subjects as diverse as *Parliament, Democracy and Civil Society*, *Comparative Treatment of Parental Responsibility in Different Jurisdictions*, *Review and Analysis of Anti-crime Reports (1975-2006)*. Graduate students earned meaningful honorariums for work done under the programme.

PAPERS PRESENTED

Mr. Robert Buddan

- “Public Forum on Local Government and Community Development”, November 19, 2009, Holiday Haven Inn, Runaway Bay, Trelawny.
- “Participation, Accountability, and Responsibility”, December 5, 2009, Battersea Community Centre, Mandeville, Manchester.

Dr. Jessica Byron

- “The Caribbean Community’s Fourth Pillar: The Evolution of Security Governance”. Universidad Iberoamericana/UNAM/CIDE Conference “Border Governance: A Comparative North American Study”, Mexico City October 5-7, 2009.
- “Haiti in the Caribbean: Past, Present and Future Perspectives”. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kingston, Jamaica, May 28, 2010, In-house training seminar series of Lunchtime Lectures to staff
- “The Emergence of the Dominican Republic as an assertive international actor in the Caribbean: Responses of Jamaica and CARICOM”. UWI/Ministry of Foreign Affairs Symposium on Jamaica in the Caribbean, UWI Mona, June 14, 2010.
- “G.K. Lewis and Reflections on Sovereignty in the Caribbean: From Colonial Nationalism to the Present Day”. Duke University/UWI Symposium “States of Freedom, Freedom of States”, UWI Mona, June 16-18, 2010.

Professor Rupert Lewis

- “New Garvey Scholarship”, Encounter of Caribbean Journals, Centro de Estudiodel Caribe, Casa de las Americas, November 16-20, 2009
- “The West Kingston Crisis and Party Politics” – States of Freedom: Freedom of States Symposium, UWI/Duke University, UWI, June 16-18, 2010.

Dr. Jermaine McCalpin

- The Moral Obligation of Reparations for the Armenian Genocide. George Mason University, Virginia , May 15, 2010
- Freedom and Truth: An Examination of Truth Commission Experiments in Grenada and Haiti, States of Freedom: Freedom of States Symposium, UWI Mona, June 16-18, 2010.

Dr. Lawrence Powell

- “International Comparisons of Distributive Justice Perceptions: A Study of 20 World Cultures.” Oceanic Conference on International Studies, Auckland, New Zealand, June 30, 2010.
- “Fairness in Redistributive Welfare States: Types of Perceivers and Types of Cultures”, Annual meeting of the International Association for Crosscultural Psychology, Melbourne, Australia, July 9, 2010.

Mrs. Kim Moloney

- with Walti, Sonja (2009). “Assessing Participatory Environmental Management: An Analysis of Developing Country Case Studies,” Thirty-First Annual Research Conference of the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), November 5-7, 2009, Washington DC, USA.
- With Gulrajani, Nilima (2009). “Examining the Past and Organizing the Future of International Public Sector Research in Public Administration,” Public Management Research Association (PMRA) Conference, October 1-3, 2009, Columbus, OH, USA.
- “Jamaica’s Non-Collaborative Governance or “I Don’t Want Government Up in My Business,” First Annual Doctoral Conference on Collaborative Governance, April 8-9, 2010, University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles, CA, USA.
- “Comparative Public Administration in 2020,” American Society of Public Administration (ASPA) Conference, April 9-13, 2010, San Jose CA, USA.

Dr. Eris Schoburgh

- ‘Informal Citizenship’ – Conceptualizing expressions of freedom in contemporary developing societies. States of Freedom Conference, UWI, Mona, June 16-18, 2010

- Balancing democratic governance, populism and patronage via popularly elected mayor: The case of Jamaica, 14th IRSPM Conference, Bern, Switzerland, April 7-9, 2010.

PUBLICATIONS

Centre for Caribbean Thought

- * The Thought of New World (Fourth publication in Caribbean Reasonings Series) Ian Randle Publishers, May, 2010

Book

Dr. Lloyd Waller

- * The Role of Discourse in ICT for Development. Germany: VDM Verlag Publishers, 2009.

Refereed Journal Article

Dr. Clinton Hutton

- * “The Revival Table: Feasting with the Ancestors and Spirits”, in *Jamaica Journal*. Vol. 32 Nos. 1-2 (2009), pages 18-31.
- * Guest Co-Editor of the Jamaica Journal: special issue on Jamaican Popular Music. Vol.32. No.3 2010.

Dr. Suzette A. Haughton

- * “The-US Caribbean Border: An important security border in the 21st century”, *Journal of Borderlands Studies*, Volume 24, No. 3. 2009

Dr Lawrence Powell

- * “Social Values, Trust and Fairness: Gauging Neglected Psychocultural Factors in Jamaican Development” *Psychology and Developing Societies* 21, 33-49, 2009.

- * With Frey, Rosemary, “Protestant Work Ethic Endorsement and Social Justice Values in Developing and Developed Societies: Comparing Jamaica and New Zealand” *Psychology and Developing Societies* 21, 51-77, 2009.

Dr. Eris Schoburgh

- * Modernizing Local Government Structure by Fragmentation: Lessons from the Portmore Municipal Council, Jamaica. *Commonwealth Journal of Local Governance* Special Issue March 2010:
- * “Paradigm Shift or Rhetorical Flourish? The ‘New Orthodoxy’ of Local Governance in the Caribbean” *Social and Economic Studies* 58 (1), 95-124.

Articles/Book chapters

Professor Rupert Lewis

- * “Jamaican Black Power and Walter Rodney in 1968: A Private Archive” *Jamaica Journal* Vol. 32, Nos. 1-2, August 2009: pp. 42-49.
- * Review Envisioning Caribbean Futures: Jamaican Perspectives. Kingston: University of the West Indies Press, 2007. 203pp. in *Jamaica Journal* Vol. 32, Nos. August 1-2, 2009: pp. 133-134.

Mrs. Kim Moloney

- * “Public Administration and Governance: A Sector-Level Analysis of World Bank Aid,” *International Review of Administrative Sciences*, 75(4): 609-627. 2009

Book Reviews

- * With Michael W. Bauer and Christoph Knill (Eds.), “Management Reforms in International Organizations, 2007,” *Public Organization Review*, 10(1): 89-92. 2010

- * With Louis A. Picard and Terry F. Buss, "A Fragile Balance: Re-examining the History of Foreign Aid, Security, and Diplomacy, 2009" *Governance*, 23(3): Pages TBD. 2010

Dr. Lawrence Powell

- * With Balford Lewis, *Political Culture of Democracy in Jamaica: 2010*. Nashville, TN: US Agency for International Development & Vanderbilt University, 255pp., 2010.

PUBLIC SERVICE

Dr. Jessica Byron

- Committee Member, PSOJ Trade Policy Committee
- Committee Member, Jamaica Trade Adjustment Team (JTAT)
- Board Member, Building Global Democracy (BGD) Programme
- Associate Member, Centre d'Analyse Geostrategique Internationale, Universite Antilles-Guyane
- Member, International Advisory Committees for *Bulletin of Latin American Research and European Review of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*
- Member, Latin American Studies Association, International Studies Association, Caribbean Studies Association

Dr. Lawrence Powell

- Polling Director, Centre for Leadership and Governance, UWI
- Project Director, Cross-Cultural Variations in Distributive Justice Perception (CVDJP) study.
- Member, Editorial board, *American Review of Political Economy*.
- Member, Editorial board, *Southern Journal of Canadian Studies*.
- Editorial Consultant, *Journal of Cross-cultural Psychology* (political psychology, distributive justice)

Dr. Eris Schoburgh

- Member, International Research Symposium on Public Management (IRSPM).
- Member, Caribbean Studies Association
- Member, Social Responsibility (ISO Mirror) Committee
- Member, UNICEF/Social Investment in Children Initiative
- Immediate Past President, Optimist Club of Kingston
- Director and former Vice-Chairperson, Mountain Terrace Housing Cooperative Board
- Sponsor and School Governance Advisor, Omega Basic School, Orange Bay, Portland

Dr. Lloyd Waller

- Research Fellow, Centre for Leadership and Governance
- Advisor, Deputy Prime Minister of Jamaica and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade
- Consultant, Organization of American States
- Member, National Youth and Development Committee
- Member, International Institute for Communication and Development
- Member, Language of New Capitalism

AWARDS AND HONOURS

Mr. Gavin Daley

- Research Project with the Greatest Business/Economic/Development Impact

Dr. Lawrence Powell

- Received award for “The Research Project Attracting the Most Research Funds”, for the project “Political Culture of Democracy in Jamaica: The Impact of Governance--USAID,

LAPOP, Centre for Leadership and Governance.” Research Day, January 29, 2010.

Dr. Eris Schoburgh

- The Best Research Publication (article)

Dr. Lloyd Waller

- Research Project with the Greatest Business/Economic/Development Impact

MAJOR PRIZES FOR BEST PERFORMANCES

The Department of Government awarded the following students for their outstanding performances for the Academic Year 2008/2009 at the annual Faculty Awards Ceremony held January 21, 2010.

Ann Spackman Prize

Nickesha Camesha Reid
GT11A - Introduction to Political
Institutions

Archie Singham Memorial Prize

Aldane Terrique Maragh
GT22C-Foundations of Caribbean Politics
Luceian Duran Creary
GT22D-Politics in the Caribbean

Carl Stone Prize

Andrew Sean Walcott
GT24M-Research Methods in
Political Science

Gladstone E. Mills Prize

Kerry-Ann Kerisha R. Drummond
BSc Public Sector Management

Nethersole Prize

Marcus Magallan Mullings
BSc Political Science

Sir Laurence Lindo Prize

Andre Delano Clarke
BSc International Relations

Rosina Wiltshire Prize

Peter Antonio Bailey
MSc International Relations

MSc Staff Prizes

Marvette Facey-Dobbs
Janette Phillips-Higgins
June Wheatley
MSc International Relations,
Research Paper

Tracy-Ann Johnson
MSc Comparative Politics/
Political Theory Research Paper