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# From the Director

# NEW STRATEGIC PLAN, EXCITING INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES AT UNH

Stacy D. VanDeveer is serving as CIE's interim director this semester while director Claire Malarte-Feldman is teaching in Dijon, France. UNH associate professor of political science, VanDeveer teaches international relations, environmental politics and U.S. foreign policy.



In February, UNH President Mark Huddleston introduced a new strategic plan for the university, the product of months of work by dozens of UNH faculty, staff, students, administrators and alumni. Among its many exciting goals for the next decade at UNH, is an increase in the international and global engagement of our faculty, students, and curriculum. As CIE interim director, I am very pleased to be involved with the Center's great programs at this very exciting time for international education at UNH.

## New UNH programs

The staff here at the Center are energized to build on the growing success of UNH's many international programs. We have worked with faculty and students to support the proposal of a Middle East Studies Minor. UNH has newly approved programs in Florence, Italy (managed by UNH-Manchester) and in London (for students in our nationally recognized McNair program). We are working to establish a partnership in China, and to expand our

connections with Korea and the Netherlands.

With faculty members around campus, we plan to develop, over time, additional international opportunities for our students in the form of three-week courses abroad to be offered during UNH's new January term, or "J-term."

# Class of '54 gift enhances IA 25th anniversary celebration

We are greatly enjoying our celebration of the 25th anniversary of the first International Affairs (IA) dual major graduating class. As part of the celebration, we are working with each of UNH's schools and colleges to bring IA alumni back to campus this spring and next fall. With generous support from the Class of 1954 Academic Enrichment Fund, our visiting alumni will meet with students in classes and informal discussions to share academic and professional accomplishments, career insights, and advice.

### **Spring NH International Seminar**

Finally, to showcase our own internationally engaged scholars, we are featuring UNH faculty members in this semester's New Hampshire International Seminar series.

Associate professor of history Kurk Dorsey opened the spring series in February with a presentation on environmental policy

titled "Water, Bread and SALT." On March 11, assistant professor of education Leslie Couse discussed a recent research trip to China in her presentation "Ready to Go: Observations, Impressions, and Reflections of Chinese Preschools."

I hope you can join us for the future seminar presentations listed below.

My best to all, Stacy VanDeveer, CIE Interim Director

NH International Seminar: 12:40-2 pm, MUB Theater I	
	Jeannie Sowers, Assistant professor of political science
April 6	"Greening Authoritarianism?: Environment and Politics in Egypt."
Thursday,	Ben Cole, IA faculty and Hood House Lecturer, CIE
May 6	"Assessing Changes in State Fragility during the Globalization Era"

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