Herson Plans Retirement after 33 Years with Department

After 33 years of service to The Ohio State University, Professor Lawrence Herson has decided to make the winter quarter his last in the classroom. But the man who laid the groundwork for building the Department of Political Science into one of the nation's top programs has no intentions of putting an end to his legendary career.

"I don't actually feel like I'm retiring," Herson said. "My hope is to pretend that I'm still teaching, except that I won't have any classes. I'll think of myself as a research professor."

But for his colleagues and students, the departure of the former department chairman and dean will leave a gaping hole on the faculty roster. As department Chairman Randall B. Ripley notes, "Larry Herson built the foundations of the present department during his period as chairperson, and contributed much throughout his long and distinguished career as a major teacher and scholar in both the department and the discipline at large. We will miss him as a full-time colleague."

Herson will be honored at a reception on Tuesday May 31, 3 to 5 p.m., in the university's Faculty Club Lounge.

The department's longest-tenured member started his influential career at Ohio State in 1955 as an assistant professor of political science. In 1958, he was promoted to associate professor, and by 1962 had worked his way up the ranks to a full professorship.

That same year, Herson was named chairman of the Department of Political Science, a position which he held until 1969. Under his supervision, the number of faculty in the department increased from 11 to 27, the number of undergraduate majors from 50 to 200 and the number of graduate students from 43 to more than 150. Herson established the annual legislative internship program with the Ohio Legislature and got the department its first computers - though personally, he is just now coming to terms with a word processor.

Among those hired during Herson's chairmanship was Professor John Champlin, who was engaged in post-doctoral studies at Oxford when he received a telegram offering him a job teaching political theory. That same year, professors Bradley Richardson, Philip Stewart and R. William Liddle also joined the faculty. These four will share the distinction of being the department's most senior members after the man who hired them retires.

In 1969, Herson was appointed Dean for Undergraduate Programs for the College of Arts and Sciences. During his two years in this post, the Yale University Ph.D. served as chairman of the curriculum committees for Arts and Sciences and for Basic Education Requirements, and was responsible for developing and implementing a major curricular reform. His recommendations, first enunciated in the "Herson Report," continue to serve as the model for the university's B.A. and B.S. degrees.

Herson is considered the de facto founder of the Mershon Center, having served as chairman of the committee that proposed the present structure and targeted the first two directors of the interdisciplinary faculty research and public education facility. From 1972 to 1979, he served as Mershon Professor of Political Science and Public Policy, and still serves as a senior faculty associate at the center.

Through the years, Herson has taught a wide variety of undergraduate, graduate and adult education courses, and his efforts have garnered him two awards for teaching excellence. He has also been engaged as a visiting professor at Indiana University and Northwestern University, and as a Distinguished Visiting Lecturer at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and at Baylor University.

Herson's numerous administrative and classroom responsibilities have not caused him to neglect his research. Most of his energies have been devoted to American political thought, public policy, urban politics and the philosophy of science. His 1957 "American Political Science Review" article, "The Lost World of Municipal Government," established...
Political Science Majors Excel in University Competitions

Undergraduate students pursuing majors in the Department of Political Science have established an impressive track record in university-wide honors competitions at Ohio State University.

Senior Nicole Kelsey has been selected as one of only 10 juniors and seniors in the country to spend the summer of 1988 as an intern in the British Parliament. Her internship is being sponsored by the Big Ten's Committee on Institutional Cooperation, which was initiated in 1987. The first Ohio State student to participate in the program was political science senior Susan Mathews, who worked last summer as a research intern for a member of Parliament.

Kelsey was also one of four students selected to receive a $350 award from the University Honors Center for research she conducted last summer with Professor Brian Polins for a paper entitled "International Power and Unequal Exchange: A Model-Based Exploration of the North-South Terms of Trade Controversy," which was published by the Mershon Center.

Political science sophomore Steven Coffin has been selected as one of two candidates from the university to compete nationally for the Harry S. Truman scholarship. In April, the national scholarship committee will select 105 Truman Scholars from across the country for the 1988-89 academic year.

Senior Patrick Haney was one of three campus candidates recommended this year for the Rhodes/ Marshall Scholarship program, which provides for two years of study at Oxford University. Haney was not selected to advance to state competition, but the last student from Ohio State awarded a Rhodes Scholarship was political science major Mike Lanese, who received the honor in 1986.

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Professor Aage Clausen, who now serves as director of the Polimetrics Laboratory, and from professors Stuart Thorsen and C. Richard Hofstetter, both of whom since have taken positions at other institutions. Giffin also worked for two years as a graduate associate in Polimetrics, the instruction and research support facility that serves the Department of Political Science.

"I haven’t been back to Columbus for a visit in quite a while," Giffin said. "But I do try to keep abreast of what’s happening."

After receiving his two degrees, Giffin moved to Washington D.C., where he worked for two years in the consulting field. In 1978, he was hired by the FTC as a staff attorney for the Bureau of Competition, a post which he held for six years. During this time, he handled cases involving such anti-trust issues as mergers and monopolizations, and served as the lead managing attorney on a number of significant cases, including the proposed multibillion merger between Gulf Oil and Cities Service in 1982, and between Texaco and Getty in 1984.

In 1984, Giffin became the attorney advisor to Federal Trade Commissioner Mary Azcuenaga, providing the presidential appointee with advice and recommendations of legal and policy issues facing the agency.

When he was promoted to his current position, Giffin acquired two sets of responsibilities: operating the FTC’s competition and consumer advocacy program and managing the 10 regional offices that represent the agency across the United States.

The competition and consumer advocacy program has been in operation almost since the agency’s conception, Giffin said, and exists to further fulfill the FTC’s mission of promoting a healthy economy. Under this program, the commission provides assistance to federal, state and local government bodies facing decisions involving agency-related issues. In response to invitation, the commission will provide written comments or send a representative to testify on a regulatory proposal, analyzing the implication of competition in the area on consumers.

"In conjunction with this program, we perform competition analyses of various proposals set forth by other government bodies," Giffin explained. "For example, last year when the Ohio Legislature was considering the adoption of a law inhibiting the establishment of new automobile dealerships in the state, we sent a representative to provide the benefit of our expertise as to the effect of this proposal on the costs of services."

Other issues on which the agency’s advice has been sought include telecommunications, transportation, energy, regulation of professionals and certificates of need for hospitals, he said.

Giffin stressed that his managerial responsibilities over the FTC’s 10 regional offices do not require that he supervise Herson
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him as one of the first scholars to bring municipal government squarely into the scope of political science studies.

Herson has also written and co-authored several books, including Functions and Policies of American Government and The Politics of Ideas: Political Theory and American Public Policy. He is proud that an Arabic translation of the latter was recently published in Cairo, and that a French translation of the same work is forthcoming.

Herson has been involved with the American Political Science Association and the National Science Foundation in a variety of capacities. He currently serves as a special representative on APSA’s Committee of Ethics and Professional Responsibility, which investigates allegations of misconduct and matters involving potential litigation among association members.

The Illinois native also takes an active role in goings-on outside the university community. He has given lectures on a variety of political and non-political topics to off-campus groups, and has served as an election night commentator for local radio stations.

According to Herson, he and his wife Libby will remain in the Columbus area after his retirement. He says he has lined up a number of projects that will keep him busy "for a month, at least." He plans to put the finishing touches on a nearly-completed book on urban politics and already has committed to writing another book. Also, he tentatively is planning to serve as co-editor of a book of essays on American values and national security for the Mershon Center.

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Faculty News

Professor Phil Stewart recently served as organizer and participant in a seminar on "Conceptual Issues in Negotiations on Deep Reductions in Conventional Armaments in Europe." The seminar was held in November in Washington, D.C., and was sponsored by the Kettering Foundation.

In December, Stewart joined British, West German and American military planners at a seminar at the Pentagon on NATO Restructuring and Conventional Arms Reduction. In the first two months of 1988, he helped to organize and participated in three meetings of the Soviet-American Dartmouth Conference Task Force. He also served as a delegate and advisor to the Executive Committee of the first International East-West Conference on Human Rights, which was held in January in DeBrucf, The Netherlands.

Stewart's article "The Dartmouth Conference: U.S.-U.S. Relations," recently appeared in Conflict Resolution: Track Two Diplomacy, edited by John W. McDonald Jr. and Diane B. Bendahmane and published by the U.S. Department of State; and his article, "Informal Diplomacy: The Dartmouth Conference Experience," was printed in Private Diplomacy with the Soviet Union, edited by David Newsom. Stewart also co-authored an article with Roger Blough entitled "Political Obstacles to Reform and Innovation in Soviet Economic Policy: Brezhnev's Political Legacy," which appeared in the April issue of Comparative Political Studies.

Stewart has been awarded a grant by the Kettering Foundation of about $18,000 to support the completion of his book The Brezhnev Leadership and East-West Relations: Elite Perceptions and Foreign Policy Making.

Professor Chadwick Alger served as the keynote speaker at the 16th annual Conference of the Consortium on Peace Research, Education and Development in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, last November, presenting a talk entitled "Peace Studies at the Crossroads: Where Else?" In July, he spoke on "Linking Town, Countryside and Legislature to the World" as the keynote speaker at a symposium on Oklahoma's International Future, held in Oklahoma City.

Alger's Possibility of Internationalization of Local Area and Government will soon be published in Japanese by the Association of Local Officials and States in Tokyo. He has three other publications forthcoming: an article entitled "Perceiving, Analyzing and Coping with the Local-Global Nexus," which will appear in the International Social Science Journal; an article on "Process of Consensus Development in the United Nations: The Case of Peace-Keeping Finance," for Johan Kaufmann's Conference Diplomacy; and a chapter on "The Involvement of Local Individuals and Communities in World Society," in Roger Coate and Jerel Rosati's The Power of Human Needs in World Society.


The fourth edition of Professor Herb Asher's Presidential Elections and American Politics has been published by Dorsey Press; and his book Polling and the Public was recently released by the Congressional Quarterly Press.


Professor Gregory Caldeira delivered a paper on "Public Opinion and the Supreme Court: FDR's Court-Packaging Plan" at the 1988 meeting of the Western Political Science Association. His article, "In the Mirror of the Justices..." will appear in an upcoming edition of Political Behavior. In addition, he has an article entitled "Legal Precedent: Structures of Communication" that is slated for publication soon.

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Senior Research Associate Joins Polimetrics Staff

At a time of year when plane loads of people are heading south to escape the Midwest winter, Kathleen Carr traded the sunshine of southern California for the sleet and slush of central Ohio to join the staff of the Polimetrics Laboratory at Ohio State University.

Carr stepped into the newly-created position of senior research associate on January 4, occupying an office in the Polimetrics suite on the first floor of Derby Hall. The instruction and research support facility, established in the late 1960s, functions primarily as an auxiliary to the Department of Political Science, but also serves the university as a whole.

Before moving to Columbus, Carr worked for 18 months as the study director of a survey research center at the University of California, Irvine. And though the weather has been less than congenial since her arrival, she says she is pleased with her new surroundings.

"The people here are very knowledgeable and helpful," said Carr, a native of Pittsburgh. "I've been very impressed."

In her new post, Carr works closely with Polimetrics Director Aage Clausen and other members of the facility's staff. Her responsibilities are many, and include developing the survey capability of the lab, assisting faculty and graduate students in their research efforts, maintaining data archives, conducting bibliographical searches and performing data entry and analysis.

Carr, who completed her Ph.D. in sociology at Indiana University in 1987, said she would also like to seek outside funding that would enable the Polimetrics Laboratory to conduct methodologically-oriented research in addition to its ongoing survey research projects. A potential focus of this prospective analysis would be the effects of different polling procedures on the outcomes of public opinion surveys.

Clausen said the senior research associate position was created to enable Polimetrics to upgrade its survey operations and expand the variety of data collection, management and processing services available to the university community. He believes Carr's non-political science background will help broaden the orientation of the research conducted by the lab.

Carr shares this view. "I think the difference in perspective will help Polimetrics to become a more rounded research facility," she said. "But our primary objective - to be of service to the political science department - will remain unchanged."
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1934
Raymond Wilcove (A.B.) of West Palm Beach, Florida, worked for 21 years as a political writer, managing editor and reporter for the International News Service. From 1957 to 1963, he served as director of research and staff assistant for U.S. House of Representatives committees. In 1963, he was named Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Administration and from that year until his retirement in 1975, served as public information officer for the Department of Commerce.

1938
Raymond Feldman (A.S.C.) of Bratenahl, Ohio, is the president of Feldman Bros. Company in Cleveland and is a life trustee of the metro board of the Cleveland YMCA.

1948
Al Trizzino (B.A.) of Mayfield Heights, Ohio, is retired after 30 years with the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court and takes part in the activities of the Cuyahoga County Bar Association.

1961
Joe Porch (B.A.) of Georgetown, Texas, is the vice president of the contracts and pricing division of Tracor Aerospace, Inc.

1965
John Steed (B.A. 1964, M.A.) of Durham, North Carolina, is the rector of St. Joseph's Episcopal Church in Durham. In 1987, he completed his B.A. in psychology at North Carolina Wesleyan and began work on a master's degree in the same field.

1966
Jun-shu Chang (M.A.) of Taipei, Taiwan, is a professor and director of the Center for Public and Business Administration Education at National Chengchi University in Taipei. From 1983 to 1987, he served as dean of the university's graduate school of public administration.

1967
John McGinnis (B.A.) of Mentor, Ohio, is an attorney in Cleveland.

1970
Gilbert E. Melton (B.A.) of Seal Beach, California, is a product planning manager at Xerox. He earned an M.B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh in 1972.

J. Samuel Tenenbaum (B.A.) of Wilmette, Illinois, is an attorney in the law firm of Becker & Tenenbaum in Chicago. He is also an adjunct professor of Clinical Trial Advocacy at the Northwestern University College of Law.

H.P. Steimer (M.A.) of Monrovia, Liberia, is a project manager for the Internal Revenue Service. He heads up a tax team that provides advice on tax administration matters to the Minister of Finance of Liberia.

1971
Douglas Dearth (B.A. 1969, M.A.) of St. Petersburg, Florida, has been transferred from Special Assistant to the Executive Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency to DIA Representative to U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB in Tampa. He was also recently married.

1973
Benjamin Lowell (B.A.) of Van Buren, Ohio, is a minister at Van Buren United Methodist Church. He received his master of divinity degree from the Methodist Theological School in Delaware, Ohio, in 1979.

John E. Perry Jr. (B.S.) of Tokyo, Japan, works in international business promotion at the Banque Indosuez.

1975
Harold E. Hughes Jr. (B.A.) of Bexley, Ohio, is the area director for the Chicago region at Tandy Corporation. He is attending Capital University Law School.

Lynn Grashan (B.A.) of Arlington, Massachusetts, is a nurse clinician for New England Critical Care.

Cynthia Smith Schneible (B.A.) of Carrollton, Texas, is the executive director of the Steve Bartlett Congressional Campaign Committee in Dallas.

1979
Gary D. Maloney (B.A. 1975, M.A.) of Amherst, Massachusetts, is the director of the Student Affairs Research and Evaluation Office at the University of Massachusetts. His wife, Nora C. Groves (M.A. 1979) has accepted a position as project manager for National Evaluation Systems, also in Amherst. They have a four-year-old daughter.

1982
Connie Kiedrowicz Lutz (B.A.) of Newport News, Virginia, is a Captain in the United States Air Force.

John E. Lehmann (B.A.) of Lakewood, Ohio, is an account executive with the Jayme Organization.

David Mehrle (B.A.) earned a master's degree in international affairs from George Washington University and is now a financial analyst for Paine Webber in New York City.

1983
Jeffrey Huff (B.A., J.D.) of Denver, Colorado, has taken a position as director, outside sales division, with Listen-Up Audio/Video.

Jack Beacham (B.A.) of Alexandria, Virginia, is projects manager for the International Zone Development Alternatives (IZDA). He earned a master's degree from Georgetown University in Government and has been accepted into the doctoral program at George Mason University.

1984
Deno Capello Jr. (B.A.) of Lexington, Kentucky, recently passed the Kentucky bar exam and is an attorney with the firm of Weinberg & Baker.

Michael Lieber (B.A.) of Tallahassee, Florida, is pursuing a master's degree in public administration at Florida State University.

Rosemary Matthews (B.A.) of Columbus, Ohio, is a staff assistant for Sen. John Glenn.

1985
Jeanette Fraser (Ph.D.) of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, is Dean, Educational Research, Planning and Evaluation at Williamsport Area Community College. She has also been appointed to the Executive Committee of the Lycoming County Democratic Party and to the Affirmative Action Committee of the Pennsylvania Democratic State Committee.
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Greg Gehlmann (M.A.) is a third-year student at the Ohio State University College of Law.

1986

Jeffrey Jordan (B.A.) of Worthington, Ohio, is a first-year student at the Ohio State University College of Law. He served as a paralegal intern at Vorys,

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the casework at every facility. But since September, when he was named acting regional director of the New York office, he has been responsible for overseeing the activities of one of the busiest regional facilities in the country.

In addition to his many day-to-day obligations, Giffin also publishes professionally, and in 1986 was one of the principal contributors to a monograph entitled Horizontal Mergers: Law and Policy, which was published by the American Bar Association Antitrust section.

Between hearings and meetings and trips to the airport, Giffin squeezes in as much time as he can for his family. He and his wife Donna Valtri have a five-year-old daughter and are expecting their second child in June.

Sater, Seymour and Pease for 13 months before entering law school.

John D. Muncy (B.A.) of Springfield, Ohio,

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for publication in Social Networks, and an article on “Corridors of Friendship and Respect in the Legislature,” jointly authored by Professor Samuel Patterson, that is forthcoming in American Politics Quarterly.

In March, Professor Paul Beck participated in the Comparative National Elections Study Conference at Florida State University. He has been selected to serve as a member of the National Science Foundation panel for political science and recently was named to the editorial board of the American Journal of Political Science.

Professor Charles Hermann has been elected to serve a three-year term on the Council of the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research. He and Professor Margaret Hermann recently were awarded a grant by the Midwest Consortium for Security Studies.

Hermann also worked with Charles Keegley Jr. and James Rosenau as co-editors of a publication entitled “New Directions in the Study of Foreign Policy.” In addition, he, Margaret Hermann and Philip Stewart submitted a paper to the International Studies Association on the “Soviet Decision to Support Egypt in 1973.”

Professor Richard Gunther served as co-chairman and presented a paper at the second conference on Elites and Democratization in Latin America, held in December at the Institute for Latin American Studies at the University of Texas in Austin.

He collaborated with Arend Lijphart on a publication entitled Las Democracias Contemporaneas; and with Lijphart, Thomas Bruneau and Nikiforos Diamandouros on an article entitled “A Mediterranean Model of Democracy?” which appeared in the January edition of West European Politics. Gunther also contributed a chapter on Spain and Portugal to editor Gerald Dorfman’s Politics of Europe. And his book Spain After Franco: The Making of a Competitive Party System, co-authored with professors Giacomo Sani and Goldie Shabad will be released as a revised and expanded paperback edition this spring.