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Professor Banuazizi's scholarly interests include political cultures of the Middle East; comparative study of religion, civil society, and politics in the Middle East & Central Asia; and Iran's social history and contemporary domestic politics and foreign relations. Professor Banuazizi is currently the Chair of the International Studies Academic Advisory Board and the Director of the Program in Islamic Civilization and Societies (ICS). He is a past president of the Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA) and the International Society for Iranian Studies (ISIS). Since joining the Boston College faculty in 1971, he has also held visiting appointments at Princeton, Harvard, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, M.I.T, and Oxford University.

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Professor Anderson has taught at Boston College since 1969. Currently he teaches courses in International Trade and International Economic Relations. His research interests are International Economics, Political Economy and Economic Development. In 1999 he was the recipient of the Boston College Distinguished Research Award. He ranks in the top 1% of economists in the world based on citations and publications, according to ideas.repec.org. He is best known for his work on the gravity model of trade (see his “The Gravity Model” in *Annual Review of Economics*, 2011) and the Trade Restrictiveness Index (see *Measuring the Restrictiveness of International Trade Policy*, MIT Press, 2005).

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Professor Christensen joined the Boston College faculty in 2000. His primary academic interests center on Russia and East Central Europe. His current course offerings include PO 432 Postcommunist Transitions, PO 402 Comparative Revolutions, PO 524 Russia, Eurasia and the World, and PO 510 Globalization. He is a member of the International Studies Academic Board and also the Fulbright Program Administrator. He is a member of the International Studies Academic Board. He is a member of the International Studies Academic Board.

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Professor Deese joined the Boston College faculty in 1981 to teach International Politics and Political Economy. He is the founding director of the International Studies Program (1986 to 2002) and a member of its Academic Advisory Board, 2002 to present. He researches and teaches the politics and institutions of international economic relations, including specifically the international dimensions of political economic reform in developing states and the Middle East region in particular; leadership of international bargaining and negotiations; and the interaction of economics and security in US foreign policy. He is the author or editor of many publications, including a leading book on the domestic politics of US foreign policy, The New Politics of American Foreign Policy; a book on leadership, negotiations, and international institutions, World Trade Politics: Power, Principles, and Leadership, 2008; and most recently the eleven volume series, The Library of Essays in International Relations, concluding with his volume, Globalization: Causes and Effects, 2012. He teaches PO 518 Liberalism & Nation Building In American Foreign Policy; PO 522 International Institutions, Private & Public; PO 525 The Politics and Institutions of International Economic Relations; PO 531 Energy Politics in US, Comparative, and Global Perspective; and PO 863 Institutions in International Politics, a graduate seminar. He is the founding professor of the BC summer program in Kuwait, Oil & Politics in the Gulf, 2008-2011. He serves on the Promotion and
Charles Derber is Professor of Sociology at Boston College who teaches courses on Peace and War, and the Political Economy of Global Capitalism. He has written fifteen books, reviewed in the NY Times, the Washington Post, the Boston Globe, and other leading media, and translated into six languages. His books, which include Corporation Nation, the Wilding of America, People Before Profit, Greed to Green, Marx's Ghost, and The Surplus American have been translated into five languages and focus on capitalism, corporate power, globalization, climate change, militarism, economic democracy, and social movements. He has also written for the International Herald Tribune, the Boston Globe, Newsday, Tikkun, and many other periodicals, and is a regular contributor to WBUR/NPR's Opinion Page. Derber is a life-long activist who is active in peace, environmental, labor and other social justice movements.

Jennifer Erickson has taught at Boston College since 2010. Her research focuses on international reputation and states’ commitment to and compliance with international rules and norms. She is currently completing a book manuscript on the spread of conventional arms export controls, as well as a series of papers on sanctions and arms embargoes. Professor Erickson has conducted extensive fieldwork in the United States and Europe, where she was research fellow at the Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP) and the Wissenschaftszentrum (WZB) in Berlin. She was also a Research Fellow at Dartmouth College in the War and Peace Studies Program at the John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding. She teaches courses on the EU, globalization and national security, and international relations theory. She is a member of the International Studies Academic Board.

Charles Gallagher, S.J., came to Boston College from a research and teaching fellowship at the Geneva School of Diplomacy and International Relations where he taught courses on religion and international relations. His interests include Vatican diplomacy, the social history of terrorism, Christian-Jewish relations, and the intersection of religion and intelligence. He is the lead historian for the International Labor Organization’s Century Series.
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project on Vatican diplomacy and the ILO. His book *Vatican Secret Diplomacy* (2008, Yale University Press) won the John Gilmary Shea Prize of the American Catholic Historical Association. He is currently preparing a book on Nazi propaganda use of Boston’s Christian Front extremist group, and the British covert intelligence operation that lead to its suppression during World War II.

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Professor Gareau has a Master of Science in Environmental Science, and a Master of Arts and Ph.D. in Sociology with a parenthetical notation in Environmental Studies. His professional work focuses on the sociology of global environmental governance, especially the governance of ozone layer depletion and global climate change. Professor Gareau teaches courses on environmental sociology, political sociology, select topics in environmental studies, the sociology of science and technology, a core course on society and environmental transformations, and the senior seminar for international studies majors. He is a member of the International Studies Academic Board.

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Professor Heyer joined the faculty of Boston College in 2015. She previously taught social ethics at Santa Clara University and Loyola Marymount University. Her research interests include migration ethics, public theology, and moral agency. Her recent books include *Kinship Across Borders: A Christian Ethic of Immigration* (2012) and the edited volume *Public Theology and the Global Common Good* (2016). Her courses at Boston College include Modern Catholic Social Thought, HIV/AIDS and Ethics, and Catholicism and Social Responsibility. She co-chairs Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church and serves as an editor for Georgetown University Press’ moral traditions series.

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Professor Krause joined the Boston College faculty in 2012. His research interests are in international security, Middle East politics, non-state violence, and social movements. His current book project examines the political effectiveness of violence within social movements. His other ongoing research projects analyze the causes and effects of fragmentation within national movements as well as new approaches to the study of coercion. He has conducted extensive fieldwork in the Middle East, and he teaches courses on international relations of the Middle East and political violence. He was formerly a Research Fellow at the Crown Center for Middle East Studies of Brandeis University, the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs of the Harvard Kennedy School, and the Smith Richardson Foundation. He is a member of the International Studies Academic Board.

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**Robert Murphy**  
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Professor Murphy joined the Economics faculty of Boston College in 1984. He is Director of the International Studies Program and currently teaches courses on international economics, economic growth, and macroeconomic theory and policy. Professor Murphy’s research focuses on macroeconomics and international finance. He has been a visiting scholar at the International Monetary Fund and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, and served as a senior economist at the President’s Council of Economic Advisors during the Clinton and Reagan Administrations. He is a member of the International Studies Academic Board.
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Professor Owens joined the Boston College Faculty in 2006. He is Associate Director of the Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life. His research explores intersections between religion and public life, with particular attention to the challenge of fostering the common good of religiously diverse societies. The author of several scholarly articles and chapters on ethics and international relations, civic education and the death penalty, he is the co-editor of three books: *Gambling: Mapping the American Moral Landscape* (2009), *Religion and the Death Penalty: A Call for Reckoning* (2004) and *The Sacred and the Sovereign: Religion and International Politics* (2003), the last of which was called a "must read" by Foreign Affairs in 2009. Co-chair of the American Academy of Religion's Religion and Politics section, he also sits on the steering committee of the AAR's "Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives" group. He is a member of the International Studies Academic Board.

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Frances L. Restuccia is an English Professor at Boston College, where she teaches contemporary literary and cultural theory, Modernism, the world novel, and film/film theory. She is the author of four books. In 1989, she published *James Joyce and the Law of the Father* (Yale UP); in 2000, *Melancholics in Love: Representing Women’s Depression and Domestic Abuse* (Rowman & Littlefield); in 2006, *Amorous Acts: Lacanian Ethics in Modernism, Film, and Queer Theory* (Stanford UP). *The Blue Box: Kristevan/Lacanian Readings of Contemporary Film*-with an emphasis on Kristeva’s concept of the “thought specular,” as a way of resisting the society of the spectacle—was published in March 2012 by Continuum.

She has published numerous articles in journals such as *Raritan, Contemporary Literature, Novel, Genre, Genders, American Imago, JPCS (Journal for Psychoanalysis of Culture and Society), Gender and Psychoanalysis, Clinical Studies, Religion and the Arts, literature and psychology, Lacanian Ink, The European Journal of English Studies, the Journal of Lacanian Studies, Film-Philosophy, Semplokē, and Philosophy Today*. She is co-chair of the “Psychoanalytic Practices” seminar at Harvard’s Humanities Center.

She has a chapter in *Revolt, Affect, Collectivity: The Unstable Boundaries of Kristeva’s Polis* (ed. Eva Ziarek & Tina Chanter) and another piece in a collection titled *Psychoanalysis, Aesthetics, and Politics in the Work of Kristeva* (ed. Kelly Oliver). Her work on *Volver* is
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Professor Seraphim is a historian of modern and contemporary Japan and joined the History Department in 2001. Her work has focused on the contested place of Japan’s empire and war in Asia in postwar politics, society, and culture. She is currently working on a second monograph, examining the spatial politics of transitional justice and social integration in Japan comparatively with Germany.

Besides historical surveys of early modern and modern Japan and in global history (as a Core course), she offers topical courses on the Asia-Pacific War and Japanese society since 1945, the place of memory in history, and comparative and transnational history writing for undergraduates and graduate students. She is a member of the International Studies Academic Board.

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Professor Seshadri specializes in Postcolonial Studies with an emphasis in historical theories of imperialism and globalization. She teaches courses pertaining to British colonialism, colonial literature and non-western literatures in English. Her research field is Philosophy of the Race, focusing on questions of the subjectivity, ethics, language and law. Under the aegis of the ILA, she currently co-directs the Jacques Derrida seminar and the Race and Ethics seminar.


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Professor Sienkiewicz teaches courses in global media cultures and media theory. His research focuses on the West’s investment in Middle Eastern broadcasting initiatives as well as portrayals of race and religion on the American screen. His publications include articles in *Popular Communication*, *The Journal of Film and Video*, *The Velvet Light Trap* and *The Middle East Journal of Culture and Communication*. In addition to his work as a scholar, Matt is also an Emmy-nominated documentary filmmaker and screenwriter. His most recent film, *Live From Bethlehem*, was released by the Media Education Foundation in September 2009 and has screened worldwide, including at the Rhode Island International Film Festival, Poland's WatchDocs Human Rights Film Festival, the Chicago Palestine Film Festival and London’s Frontline Club. He is a member of the International Studies Board.

**Peter Skerry**  
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In addition to teaching political science at UCLA, Claremont McKenna College, and now at Boston College, Professor Skerry spent a decade working in Washington, DC at the American Enterprise Institute and at the Brookings Institution, where he is still a non-resident senior fellow. He was legislative director to the late Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan. His interests have focused on American social policy, with a particular emphasis on racial and ethnic issues. He has written about the emergence of Mexican Americans as a political force, as well as about the politics of government statistics and the U.S. Census. He has also done research and written about U.S. immigration policy. He is presently working on a book about Muslims in the U.S.. In recent years Professor Skerry has become very interested in race, ethnicity, immigration, and Islam from a comparative perspective. He has spent a great deal of time in Western Europe and now serves on the trans-Atlantic North American Advisory Board of the Heinrich Boell Foundation in Berlin, which is an affiliate of the German Green Party.