



The Passport

World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (www.wacmb.org)

September 2020

Issues Around the World in the Age of Covid-19

Check your email on the scheduled days for links to these videos.

September 15, 2020: Anshu Chatterjee, Naval Postgraduate School

Narendra Modi's Nationalist Agenda in the Era of the Pandemic



The past decade has been one of the most challenging decades in India's modern history. The pandemic introduced a new variable into a country that is facing a declining economy and rising challenges from China, along with the simultaneous rise of Hindu nationalism. In 2019, the BJP, India's Hindu nationalist party, won a majority for the first time. Immediately after winning its majority, the BJP made two controversial decisions: one removing the autonomy of the Kashmir region, and the second reducing the rights of non-citizens, producing a backlash in civil society. Professor Anshu Chatterjee sheds light on these issues and the implications of the spread of Covid-19 in this setting. Anshu Chatterjee is a Senior Lecturer in the National Security Affairs Department at the Naval Postgraduate School. She received her PhD in Asian Studies from the University of California, Berkeley.

September 30, 2020: Jonathan Czarnecki, Naval War College

Globalization, Governance, and Change

Globalization, the international system that has become a defining force in world affairs and its governance within nation states, can be credited with lifting over a billion people out of severe poverty. But there is increasing opposition to the international integration of capital, technology, and information across national borders. Dr. Jonathan Czarnecki analyses this critical debate and provides insight into our future. Jonathan Czarnecki is Professor of Joint Military/Maritime Operations in the US Naval War College Program at the Naval Postgraduate School. A retired Army Colonel with 27 years of experience in the field, Dr. Czarnecki earned his PhD in Political Science and Applied Social Statistics from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He is the author of over 60 scholarly articles on national security and international relations.



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The following is the tentative schedule and list of topics for upcoming episodes of WACMB's "Quick Takes" video program. On the scheduled day, you will receive an email with a link that will take you to the video.

October 15: Bradley Strawser, NPS:
Ethics and Public Policy.

October 30: Anna Grzymala-Busse, Stanford University: The Erosion of Democracy in Hungary and Poland.

November 15: TBD.

November 30: Jonathan Lipman, Mt. Holyoke College: Muslims in China Today.

Discussion Groups

WACMB offers two discussion groups: one with MPC and one with the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at CSUMB. Both are free. **Both groups are currently full.** If you are interested in participating in a discussion group, please email the WACMB office at www.wacmb.org and let us know of your interest.

The MPC Discussion Group, moderated by Judith Glickman, is meeting via Zoom. Meetings take place from 4:00 to 5:30 pm.

Tuesday, September 8: "National Security Affairs in the Age of Covid-19," with introductory remarks by Robert Tomlinson.

Monday, September 21: Topic and speaker TBD

The OLLI/CSUMB Discussion Group, moderated by John Hetz, will meet via Zoom on **Monday, September 14** from 4:00 to 5:30 pm. Topic TBD.

Free MIIS Lecture Series

The Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey (MIIS) is a longtime and valued partner of WACMB. We are pleased to share their announcement of a free virtual lecture series this fall. Presentations will be followed by Q&A sessions with the audience.

The lectures will take place on Zoom, and advance registration is required in order to receive a Zoom invitation. To register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/MIIS-WorldViews> and follow the prompts there. Here's the schedule:

Wednesday, September 9, 1:00 - 2:00 PDT

Professor Pushpa Iyer, Director of the MIIS Center for Conflict Studies, will speak on *Pandemic, Protests, and Politics: Prospects for Peace*.

Wednesday, October 14, 4:30 - 5:30 PDT

Professor Jason Blazakis, Director of the MIIS Center on Terrorism, Extremism, and Counter-Terrorism, will speak on *Delving Into the Extremism of White Supremacy: Who Are They, and What Do They Want?*

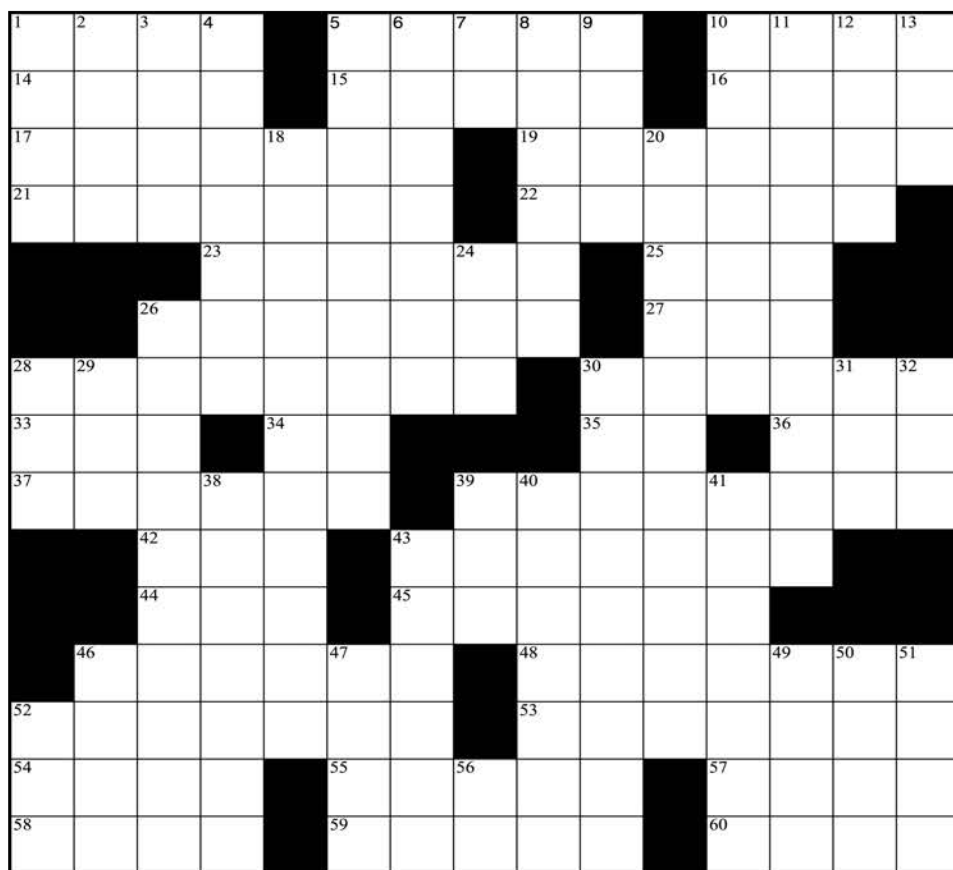
Wednesday, October 28, 12:00 - 1:00 PDT

Professor Jason Scorse, Director of the MIIS Center for the Blue Economy, will speak on *The Ocean Climate Action Plan: Turning Ideas Into Advocacy*.

Wednesday, November 11, 4:30 - 5:30 PST

Professor William Potter, Director of the MIIS James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies, and Aubrey Means, MIIS MA Candidate in Non-proliferation Studies and Terrorism Studies, will speak on *The US-Russian Nuclear Predicament: Are We Doomed to Cooperate or Simply Doomed?*

For your Shelter-in-Place entertainment, the World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area presents its first-ever crossword puzzle! Answers will appear in the October *Passport*.



ACROSS

1. Boss Tweed's nemesis
5. A pleasant conversation
10. Salinger heroine
14. Sound off the wall
15. Woodworking tool
16. [I'm glad that's over!]
17. Processed in a blender
19. Apiece
21. Stress
22. Emergency signals
23. Bring in
25. ____ Vegas
26. Sensible addition to the "No shirts, no shoes, no service" signs
27. How a second grader might pronounce 3 words as Superman flies by
28. Hard rocks
30. On whose grounds can you find funnel cakes and prize pickles?
33. K2 loc.
34. With 35-Across, James Bond's first film
35. See 34-Across
36. Needs a cracker
37. Tenzing Norgay
39. Cool dessert

42. In excelsis ____
43. A person who isn't renting
44. Tasty general
45. What's best to do with sleeping dogs
46. Before there were Tigers in Baton Rouge
48. Bun wrappers
52. Give advice to
53. Serious memory lapse
54. Jabba is one
55. Acronym phonetically derived from 17-, 30-, and 52-Across
57. Deer topper
58. Mems. of Oakland's bball team
59. Musical repeat mark
60. Files a lawsuit

DOWN

1. Semiaquatic salamander
2. Pine for
3. It's formed by the tibia
4. Wrenching
5. Title character in a Shakespeare tragedy
6. "And so the poor doggy ____"
7. With 56-Down, DNA bases

8. Heists
9. Local swimmer
10. Former home of the Dunkers in PA
11. Spit and polisher
12. Not the ladies'
13. Woolly mother
18. Cliched simile for beautiful eyes
20. You are more than likely to be this
24. Dir. from AAA
26. It may be ugly
28. An essential for your Maps app
29. Part of a cheer
30. If *The Diving Comedy* were updated, Dante's first circle might be this
31. Don't get stuck in one
32. Abbr. for holy ones
38. Stews about
39. Three of four directions
40. "Wow!"
41. Another word for pagers
43. Wing parts
46. What a child might do after a "no"
47. Stitches up
49. Jacob's twin
50. Houston university

51. Fancy 5th Avenue shop
52. When tripled, a dance
56. See 7-Down

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