

## Breslauer Awarded for Leadership

University of California, Berkeley professor emeritus **George Breslauer** is the recipient of the 2016 Clark Kerr Award for Distinguished Leadership in Higher Education. An expert on Soviet politics and foreign relations, Breslauer earned a bachelor's degree and PhD from the University of Michigan, and joined the UC Berkeley faculty in 1971.



He has served in a multitude of roles, including as chair of the political science department and of the Center for Slavic and East European Studies, dean of the division of social sciences, and executive dean of the College of Letters and Science. From 2006 to 2014, he was Berkeley's executive vice chancellor and provost, managing the campus's day-to-day operations and budgeting.

A letter from the Committee on Faculty Awards for the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate cited accomplishments that merit the Clark Kerr Award, which is a tribute to the leadership and

legacy of President Emeritus Kerr, Berkeley's first chancellor, and recognition of extraordinary contributions to the advancement of higher education. Past recipients include the late California governor and Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren and past Berkeley Chancellors Ira Michael Heyman and Chang-Lin Tien.

The letter, signed by the committee chair, professor Peter Berck, called Breslauer exceptionally well-qualified to receive the Clark Kerr Award. "He will bring honor to the memory of Clark Kerr just as this medal will bring honor to him," Berck wrote.

Breslauer was awarded the Distinguished Teaching Award in social sciences in 1997, was appointed Chancellor's Professor in 1998, and received the Berkeley Citation, one of the campus's highest honors, in 2013. In 2014 he was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

"I have spent my entire career at this extraordinary university, striving to meet its high standards in my teaching, scholarship, and administrative leadership," said Breslauer in response to the Clark Kerr Award. "Let me extend sincere thanks to the UC Berkeley Academic Senate for its appreciation of the fruits of my efforts. Surely, recognition by one's academic peers is the most gratifying form of validation." ■

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### ACTIVITIES

At Duke University, **John Aldrich**, professor, political science; **David Rohde**, professor, political science; and **Neil Siegel**, professor, law and political science, held a free public panel—moderated by **Ruth Grant**, professor, political science—on the impact of Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia's death on law and politics, in February 2016.

**James Campbell** and **Jacob Neiheisel**, State University of New York, Buffalo, presented contrasting approaches to understanding polarization in America during a "Scholars on the Road" lecture presented by the UB College of Arts and Sciences in March 2016.

**Paul O. Carrese**, professor of political science, United States Air Force Academy, presented "Democracy in Moderation:

Tocqueville and the Recovery of Constitutional Balance" at the Saint Vincent College Center for Political and Economic Thought in March 2016.

**Dara Cohen**, assistant professor of public policy, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, presented the free, public lecture "What Explains Wartime Rape? Evidence from Recent Civil Wars," on March 3, 2016.

**Jane Cramer**, associate professor, University of Oregon, participated in a debate with Colonel Peter Mansoor (USAR) regarding the use of US "boots on the ground" in Syria to engage ISIS.

**David Cupery**, professor of political science; **Robert Bence**, professor emeritus; and **J. Benjamin Taylor**, assistant professor of political science—from Massachusetts

College of Liberal Arts—and **Adam Hinds**, Pittsfield Community Connection held a panel discussion "Making Sense of the Senseless" in November 2015, touching on the attacks in France, Lebanon, and the Islamic State, and contemplating potential responses.

**John Freeman**, John Black Johnston Distinguished Professor in the College of Liberal Arts, University of Minnesota, presented a talk "Estimation Ahead of Theory in the Study of Conflict Dynamics" at Washington University, St. Louis, in February 2016.

**Michael C. Horowitz**, associate professor, University of Pennsylvania, testified before the House Armed Services Committee Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces about the role

of carrier aviation in naval defense, in February 2016.

**Robert Putnam**, Peter and Isabel Malkin Professor of Public Policy, Harvard University, discussed his book *Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis*, at University of California, Riverside, in March 2016.

**Guillermo Rosas**, associate professor of political science, Washington University, St. Louis, is pursuing a Fulbright this fall at the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin, Germany, where he is exploring the question of why policy-makers are only sometimes able to introduce significant regulatory overhauls following episodes of systemic bank insolvency, with a particular focus on the effects of electoral vulnerability on policy choice.

**Ivan Savic**, assistant professor, environmental studies and political science, Memorial University, gave a talk in November, 2015, at Grenfell Campus about ISIS, refugees, and the Syrian conflict.

**Timothy Samuel Shah**, associate professor, government department, Georgetown University, and associate director of the Religious Freedom Project at the Berkeley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, was the featured speaker at the “Christians in the Middle East” lecture hosted by Washington College’s Alexander Hamilton Society in February 2016.

**Andrew Smith**, associate professor, political science, and director, Survey Center, University of New Hampshire, gave a talk at Keene State College about the Granite State’s first-in-the-nation primary, in January 2016.

**Jeremy Waldron**, university professor and professor of law, New York University, was hosted by the Political Theory Program at Notre Dame for the inaugural series of the Niemeyer Lectures in Political Philosophy, in March 2016. The series honors the late Gerhart Niemeyer (1907–1997), professor of

political philosophy at the University of Notre Dame from 1955 to 1997.

**Brandice Canes-Wrone**, Donald E. Stokes Professor of Public and International Affairs, professor of politics, and vice dean, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, gave a speech “Sophisticated Donors: Which Candidates Do Individual Contributors Finance?” at Washington University, St. Louis, in February, 2016.

**Birol Yesilada**, International Studies and Contemporary Turkish Studies Endowed Chair, Portland State University, presented “Turkish Politics” at Northeastern State University, in March 2016.

**Quansheng Zhao**, professor of international relations, American University, Washington, DC, served as visiting scholar under a POSCO Fellowship, at the East-West Center in Honolulu, Hawaii, from November 2, 2015, to January 1, 2016.

#### RETIREMENTS

**John Rouse**, professor emeritus, department of political science, Ball State University

#### PROMOTIONS

**Thomas McClure**, associate professor with tenure, department of politics and government, Illinois State University

**Yusuf Sarfati**, associate professor with tenure, department of politics and government, Illinois State University

#### APPOINTMENTS

**Karen Anderson**, University of Southampton, was appointed to the executive committee for the Council of European Studies in February, 2016.

**Yasmin Dawood**, faculty of law scholar, University of Toronto, who is cross-appointed to the department of political science, has been awarded the Canada Research Chair in Law in Democracy, Constitutionalism, and Electoral Law.

**Orfeo Fioretos**, associate professor, political science, Temple University, was appointed to the executive committee for the Council of European Studies in February, 2016.

**Antoinette Handley**, professor of political science, University of Toronto, will be the World Politics Visiting Fellow at the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies (PIIRS) for 2016–2017.

**Evelyne Huber**, Morehead Alumni Professor of Political Science and chair, department of political science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, was appointed to the executive committee for the Council of European Studies in February, 2016.

**Tiffany Puckett** was appointed as assistant professor of the department of politics and government, Illinois State University.

**Matthew M. Taylor**, associate professor, American University, School of International Service, has joined the Council on Foreign Relations as an adjunct senior fellow for Latin America studies. He will direct a roundtable meeting series on Latin America and conduct research related to Brazil, corruption, and the rule of law.

#### AWARDS

**Allan Dafoe**, assistant professor, political science, Yale University, was awarded a 2015 Leamer-Rosenthal Prize in the Emerging Researcher category for his portfolio of transparency efforts.

**Sergei Kostiaev**, associate professor, Financial University, received the 2015 Medal of Russian Academy of Sciences for Young Scholars for his research on lobbying in world economy and international relations.

**Matthew Levendusky** has been named the winner of the 2016 Erik Erikson Early Career Award by the International Society of Political Psychology. The Erikson Award is awarded annually to a leading political psychologist within 10 years of his/her PhD. ■