

Politics Department Advent 2018 Research Opportunities

Note: These are unpaid opportunities. Students should contact the professor to get more information.

Dr. Jessica Mecellem is looking for an advanced Spanish speaking student interested in working on a project concerning human rights. This person would be creating annotated bibliographies and literature reviews of material on Spain during the Franco era, looking for specific types of information. She seeks someone able to devote five full hours a week to this project for between 3-5 weeks, but the timing is flexible according to the schedule of the right candidate. If interested, contact Dr. Mecellem jmecell@sewanee.edu.

Dr. Schneider is conducting research on the relationship between gender and violence during the election cycle in transitional democracies. One aspect of the work is to collect news stories on election related violence. Assistance is needed to code existing country level data and gather additional country level data. This position provides an opportunity to learn more about elections and political violence, gender and politics, women's human rights, and the construction of data bases and analysis of data. The ideal candidate will have had one or more classes that is cross listed with women's and gender studies (WGS) and that addresses women/gender from a comparative perspective, and one or more classes in any Politics class that engages international or comparative politics themes or issues. The position requires a commitment of at least a two-hour block of time per week, and the schedule must be fairly consistent from one week to the next. If interested, contact Dr. Schneider pschneid@sewanee.edu

Dr. Skulley is seeking research assistants to help with coding campaign commercials from candidates running for the House of Representatives. Activities would include watching 30 second commercials and recording relevant information (to be identified by Dr. Skulley). Students will need to be comfortable with Microsoft Excel, Dropbox, and potentially some video conversion software to be eligible. Interested students should contact Dr. Skulley (carrie.skulley@sewanee.edu).