J. D. GORDON INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY & CITIZENSHIP STUDIES
2000-2001 ANNUAL REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies continued to reach new levels in research/scholarship, service, and outreach to the community. Central to these endeavors is the series of invitation-only conferences that assessed congress’ role in domestic and foreign policy. This year the fourth and fifth conferences once again brought internationally recognized scholars and policy analysts to FIU, resulting in cutting edge research in the form of two edited books—Congress and the Politics of Emerging Rights, and Congress and Foreign Policy.

Accomplishment: Goal Achieved: Two conferences and two books are in press: Partisanship in the U.S. Senate and Congress Confronts the Courts will be published in December 2000. C-SPAN aired both conferences on the Senate.

Conferences:

CONGRESS AND THE POLITICS OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY
January 12, 2001, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Roz and Cal Kovens Conference Center, Florida International University, Biscayne Bay Campus, 3000 NE 151 Street, North Miami, FL 33181

LOUIS FISHER, Congressional Research Service
"Clinton’s Military Actions"

DAVID M. OBRIEN, University of Virginia
"On the Transformation of Presidential and Congressional Relations in Foreign Affairs: The Treaty Making Power and the Rise of Executive Agreements"

CHRISTOPHER J. DEERING, George Washington University
"Alarms and Patrols: The Evolution of Legislative Oversight in Foreign and Defense Policy"

DAVID P. AUERSWALD, George Washington University
"Advice and Consent: The Forgotten Power"

C. LAWRENCE EVANS, College of William and Mary
WALTER J. OLESZEK, Congressional Research Service
"A Tale of Two Treaties: The Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty and the Chemical Weapons Convention"

CHRISTINE DeGREGORIO, American University

NICOL C. RAE, Florida International University
JONATHAN MOTT, Brigham Young University
"Foreign Policy in the U.S. House Under Republican Control"

JOHN F. STACK, JR., Florida International University
COLTON C. CAMPBELL, Florida International University
"Congress: How Silent a Partner?"

Program Chairs:
Colton C. Campbell, Florida International University
John F. Stack, Jr., Florida International University
Nicol C. Rae, Florida International University

CONGRESS AND RIGHTS: THE POLITICS OF EQUAL JUSTICE
February 23, 2001 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Roz and Cal Kovens Conference Center
Florida International University, Biscayne Bay Campus 3000 NE 151 Street, North Miami, FL 33181

GREGG IVERS, American University
DAVID KAIB, American University
"Gun Control and Violence Against Women: Congressional Attempts to Charter New Social Rights"

DAVID O'BRIEN, University of Virginia
"The Civil Rights Acts of 1964 and Sexual Harassment: Ironies and Unanticipated Consequences of Legislation"

PRISCILLA M. REGAN, George Mason University
"Rights to Privacy and the Internet"

NICOL C. RAE, Florida International University
"Congress and Special Rights: Same Sex Marriage and Employment Non-Discrimination"

REBECCA MAE SALOKAR, Florida International University
"Congress and the Emerging Rights of Lawmakers: Protecting Institutional Powers in Court"

JOHN F. STACK, JR., Florida International University
COLTON C. CAMPBELL, Florida International University
"The Emerging Rights of States: Revitalized Federalism"
The institute's seminars, workshops and symposia played a central role in attempting to integrate faculty research among members of the university and the external community. In particular, the institute took the lead in assessing the implications of the 2000 Presidential election in three separate and distinct forums. The award winning Model United Nations again brought more than 300 high school students to campus for a two day simulation. The intercollegiate team was ranked one of the seven best programs in the US at the national MUN held in New York. There was, as well, significant outreach to the community in the form of the intergenerational issues forums in cooperation with the Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Innovative teaching was emphasized again this year in the Student Honors Mentor Program.

**Student Honors Mentor Program:**

**Fall 2000**

**Brian Peterson**, Associate Professor, Department of History  
Topic: "The Impact of FCAT on Miami-Dade Public Schools"  
Tuesdays, 2:00-4:00 p.m., University Park

**John Stuart**, Associate Professor, School of Architecture  
Topic: "Building Culture: Architecture, Politics and Race in New Deal South Florida"  
Wednesdays, 2:00-4:00 p.m., University Park

**Dan Wakefield**, Lecturer, Creative Writing  
Topic: "Ways of Creativity"  
Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Biscayne Bay Campus (N Miami)

**Spring 2001**
Ted Baker, Associate Professor/Director of Research, Graduate Program in Landscape Architecture
Topic: "Land Value, Land Use, and Public Policy"
Wednesdays, 10:00-12:00 noon, University Park

Lui Hebron, Associate Director, Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies
Topic: "Globalization: Agent of Good or Force of Evil?"
Tuesdays, 12:00-2:00, University Park

Brian Peterson, Associate Professor, Department of History
Topic: "Citizenship Education in Miami-Dade Public Schools"
Thursdays, 2:00-4:00 p.m., University Park

Service to the university was a primary accomplishment of the institute's stewardship in working with the provost in helping to establish the FIU College of Law. In this regard, the institute's administrative assistant, Elaine Dillashaw, provided yeoman's service in overseeing more than 2000 individual inquiries pertaining to the establishment of the law school. The director of the institute served as the editor of the University Press of Florida, thereby assisting faculty and the press itself in the dissemination of the major scholarly endeavors.