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GROSSMONT COLLEGE HOSTS 27 SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

POLITICAL ECONOMY WEEK APRIL 30-MAY 4

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El Cajon – Films, presentations and panels about a wide-ranging array of economic and political science topics take the lecture-room stage at Grossmont College during Political Economy Week April 30 – May 4. Faculty lectures and guest presentations are designed to enhance the social studies curriculum and provide students an opportunity to learn about new issues and controversies. For example, aerospace entrepreneur Jim Benson will present “Privatization and Outer Space: How Can Entrepreneurs out Perform NASA?” Thursday, May 3, 12:30 – 1:45 p.m. in room 575. All 27 events are free and the public is invited.

According to Dr. Janet Castanos, Dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences, “This event gives our faculty the opportunity to share their expertise with the widest possible student population, as well as our community. Faculty organize and host the activities, including a wide-range of interesting topics in political science and economics.”

Events conclude Friday, May 4, with Professor Shahroki’s presentation on the “Economics of health Care: Unresolved Issues,” 9:30 a.m. in room 575.

The comprehensive schedule of events includes:

Monday 4/30

9:30-10:45	579	Is Chinese Investment Good For Africa? Sponsored by the Asia Institute for Social, Philosophical and Economic Research	Myers
11:00-12:15	575	Do No Harm: The Global Health Challenge Todd and Alina Myers	Myers
12:30-1:45	524	The Great Debate - Conservatives vs. Liberals with Tony Zambelli	Cummings
2:00-3:15	573	Lessons from Comparative Politics: What We Can Learn from Other Countries	Jennings

Tuesday 5/1

9:30-10:45	579	<i>Warren Buffet & Bill Gates Go Back to School</i> Film and Discussion	Cummings
11:00-12:15	577	Jeffrey Birnbaum Money Talks: Lobbyists and the Power of Money in Washington Sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa	Myers
11:00-12:15	575	Will the U.S. Use Nuclear Weapons in a Military Confrontation with Iran? Why Congress Needs to Confront This Possibility Guest: Dr. Jorge Hirsch Physicist UCSD	Shahrokhi
12:30-1:45	575	Lessons Learned From My Grandfather: Arun Gandhi Discusses Non-Violence Sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa	Myers
2:00-3:15	577	<i>An Inconvenient Truth</i> - Film by Al Gore	Alvarez
3:30-4:45	575	The Case for Legalizing Drugs	Smith
7:00-8:30	577	Is America Still Number 1? - Where We Lead and Where We Trail	Mercurio

Wednesday 5/2

8:00-9:15	577	Red? Blue? No...Purple! Minor Parties in the U.S.	Jennings
9:30-10:45	579	<i>Outfoxed: Rupert Murdoch's War on Journalism</i> - Film and Discussion	Cummings
11:00-12:15	575	U.S Democracy is a Joke! Problems with our	Jennings

Democracy and How to Fix Them

Wednesday 5/2

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| 12:30-1:45 | 524 | <i>You Can't Be Neutral on a Moving Train</i>
Film and Discussion - Film by Howard Zinn | Cummings |
| 12:30-3:15 | 577 | Enrique's Journey - Central American Children's
Efforts to Rejoin Their Mothers in the U.S. | Wiley |
| 2:00-3:15 | 573 | Single Party Rule: Communists? No... Republicans!
How the Republican Party Hijacked U.S. Government
and How U.S. Voters Took It Back | Jennings |
| 3:30-4:45 | 578 | Underdeveloped Nations: An Economic and Political
History of Their Evolution | Wood |
| 5:00-7:00 | Griffin
Gate | Dr. Pepper Schwartz - Gender and Power
Relationships
Sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa | Myers |
| 7:00-8:30 | 577 | California's Lost Tribes - Film and Discussion
About Tribal Gaming in California | Mercurio |
| 7:00-9:50 PM | 582 | Propaganda Through Film: How Political Opponents
Try To Sway Public Opinion and Counter Each Other | Zacharias |

Thursday 5/3

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| 9:30-10:45 | 579 | <i>Rebel Without a Pause</i> - Film and Discussion
Film by Noam Chomsky | Cummings |
| 11:00-12:15 | 575 | Media Cowardice and the Society of Obedience
Guest: Stacy Taylor Host of Progressive Talk Radio | Shahrokhi |
| 12:30-1:45 | 575 | Jim Benson - Privatization and Outer Space: How
Can Entrepreneurs Out Perform NASA
Facilitated by Dr. Phil Blanco | Myers |
| 2:00-3:15 | 577 | <i>Uprooted: Refugees of the Global Economy</i> - Film | Alvarez |
| 5:30-6:45 | 582 | Perspectives on Sustainable Development | Shahrokhi |

Friday 5/4

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| 9:30-10:45 | 575 | Economics of Health Care: Unresolved Issues | Shahrokhi |
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