The University of Idaho is going through some difficult financial times. This has forced the university to review priorities and to find ways to become more efficient as an educational institution. We are going to see some changes at the University of Idaho, many of which will be difficult to make and undoubtedly we will see positions eliminated. Will this changing environment impact the Martin Institute and Martin School of International Affairs? Will we survive the budget and personnel cuts, which are going to be inevitable?

The Martin Institute and Martin School bring some positive attributes to the table. The Institute has developed a fairly extensive reputation as a center for information and knowledge involving international issues throughout the state. We have been active in bringing speakers to Idaho who provided up-to-date overviews of world events. Our staff has been involved in numerous engagements throughout the state providing lectures and discussions on international issues. This visibility reflects directly on the University of Idaho and provides invaluable marketing at no cost to the university. Although the Martin Institute is mostly self-sufficient, we are still dependent on the university for some salaries. Essentially, the director and program advisor are funded through university money. The endowment is not yet large enough to pay for these salaries. The question is now, “how important is the Institute to the university?” Hopefully, the university administration will view what the Martin Institute provides as key to the institution’s role in providing international education to Idahoans.

The Martin School of International Affairs has become a major program at the University of Idaho. With over 120 majors now enrolled and a growing constituency of graduates, this program provides an invaluable opportunity for students to prepare to work in the international arena. The Model U.N. program, which is sponsored by the Martin Institute, has provided an excellent incentive for incoming students as well as invaluable experience in public speaking, research, and writing for many University of Idaho students.

Both the Martin Institute and Martin School of International Affairs provide invaluable services to the University of Idaho and the State of Idaho. I am certain that we will survive this fiscal emergency. We have remained financially strong through careful budgeting and expenditures over the past few years. Our dependency on university funds has decreased.
I write this article with mixed emotions. I will be leaving the Martin Institute and University of Idaho at the end of this school year. The past seven years have been some of the most gratifying and fulfilling years of my life.

Having grown up in Moscow and knowing Boyd and Grace Martin in my early years, the opportunity to be part of their vision and legacy is almost beyond words. I have truly been blessed as I have come to know so many people who share the vision of the Martin Institute and Martin School of International Affairs. These are both invaluable gems at the University of Idaho and our donors and supporters have helped make these organizations strong and viable parts of not only the university, but also the State of Idaho and Pacific Northwest region.

My predecessor, Richard Slaughter, gave me the opportunity to participate in the Martin Institute’s growth when he hired me as the first associate director in 1998. I essentially inherited the directorship in 2000 when Richard decided to pursue his consulting business full time. Sharon Scott, a longtime Martin Institute employee and my right hand person, and I began working on developing a program that would take the institute to the next level. Growing the International Studies degree program became the centerpiece of our efforts. One of our most important accomplishments was hiring Dr. Bill Smith, a newly minted Ph.D. from Washington State University and a Latin American specialist. Both Bill and Sharon have been instrumental in the phenomenal growth and visibility of the Martin Institute and School. They have been the glue that has held the growing numbers of students and activities together over the past three years as I have been busy fund raising and representing the Institute as a spokesman on international and military issues throughout the state and region.

September 11, 2001 presented a unique situation for myself and for the Martin Institute. My military and academic work over the previous fifteen years had focused on international affairs and issues associated with terrorism. In the aftermath of 9-11, my knowledge and understanding of the military became important resources to many communities wanting to understand the ramifications of the use of terror and the responses being utilized by the federal and state governments. From October 2001 until January 2002 I spoke to groups throughout Idaho and eastern Washington about the background of terrorism and the al Qaeda organization almost daily. Over the past two years, I became a frequent speaker and media consultant on issues associated with international terrorism, U.S. military responses, and homeland security. I have discussed the means by which terrorists work, the things that attract people to using terrorist tactics, the reasons that the U.S. is a target, and the possibilities of additional attacks on U.S. soil. On the military side, I have shared my knowledge and understanding of possible or probable tactics to be used in the “war on terrorism” and the problems associated with the conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq. Over the past two years, I have become intimately involved in homeland security and the problems associated with protecting our homeland from more terrorist attacks. Through my networks in Washington D.C. and within the research community, I have become fairly knowledgeable about the technologies that could be applied to homeland security and the vulnerabilities of our infrastructure. I have spoken to numerous groups responsible for responding to possible attacks, providing recommendations and suggestions to improve the procedures, equipment, and training needed to effectively manage such events.

The results of this outreach has been a greater understanding of the threat posed by terrorists and the recognition of the expertise that the Martin Institute can bring to the state and region. One of our missions is to provide information about international and national issues that have a bearing on world conflicts. It is my belief that conflict resolution must be based on knowledge and understanding of the issue.

As I continue my work in international and national security in the private sector, I will continue to support the Martin Institute and Boyd and Grace Martin’s vision. I feel comfortable that a strong foundation is in place for continued growth of both the Institute and Martin School of International Affairs. Once again, thank you to all who have supported the Martin’s vision and I urge you to help the Institute and School become ever more influential in the preparation of future generations of leaders who understand other cultures and societies. This is, in my opinion, key to resolving conflicts.
The 2003-04 series of Martin Forums again served as an outlet for the UI community to discuss international topics and to learn about global crisis points.

America's Role in the World, 29 October 2003
► As American foreign policy was being hotly debated at home and abroad, the Martin Institute organized University of Idaho participation in The People Speak: America Debates its Role in the World. This nationwide event included hundreds of discussions during October on a variety of topics. The forum considered two: Should the United States increase its commitment to international institutions and international law? How should the US military be deployed - strictly for national security issues or also for democratization and humanitarian assistance? Audience participation followed the formal discussion, which featured Russell Miller of the UI College of Law and Institute Director Rand Lewis. Bill Smith moderated the session, which was attended by 120 people.

U.S. Efforts in Cybersecurity, 19 November 2003
► UI alumnus Tom Neff of the Defense Threat Reduction Agency explained the National Science Foundation Federal CyberCorps Scholarship program and told students about jobs and internships with DTRA, while sharing his experience in the field. Neff's military and computer-oriented career has given him ideas about where new professionals might make significant contributions to computer security. This forum was sponsored by the Martin School of International Affairs rather than the Martin Institute.

Aspects of the Bilateral Relationship: Canada and the USA, 26 February 2004
► Acting Canadian Consul General Marvin Wodinsky highlighted this forum, which was co-sponsored with the Canadian Studies program at WSU. The talk was scheduled with the participation of the students in the IS senior seminar in mind, since the seminar focused on trans-boundary conflict. This continued the three-year old relationship between the Martin Institute and the Canadian Consulate in Seattle.

Assessing North Korea, 1 March 2004
► Dr. Daniel Pinkston of the Monterey Institute of International Studies and the Center for Nonproliferation Studies delivered this address, which was held in the Martin Institute conference room. Dr. Pinkston spent much of the Fall of 2003 in North Korea, and had much recent and relevant information to share. He also participated in the Borah Symposium while visiting the campus.

The Crisis in Haiti, 9 March 2004
► Albertson College of Idaho professor of Latin American Studies Mee-Ae Kim traveled to Moscow to present this analysis of the brewing crisis in the troubled Caribbean republic. She highlighted the internal divisions between the vast Afro-Haitian majority and the tiny white and mulatto minority, and how that contentious relationship is exacerbated by US policy towards the island. Bill Smith of the Martin Institute (also a Latin American specialist) joined Dr. Kim for the question-and-answer session. 90 people attended.

Democratization in Guatemala, 29 March 2004
► Guatemalan Consul General Erika Pineda Sharron was unable to travel to Moscow, as elections in her home country earlier in the month resulted in a change of personnel in the San Francisco consulate.

Islam in Morocco: Where Three Worlds Meet, 21 April 2004
► Two-time Fulbright scholar Abdelatif Akbib, professor of English at Abdelmalek Essaied delivered this public address that considered how Islam shapes one of the world's crossroads - Morocco. Akbib is an author whose publications include Tangier's Eyes on America (a travel account of his 1999 Fulbright experiences at WSU) and three short story collections, for which he was honored with the British Council Literary Prize in 2003. He also discussed the support that the US offered to Islamic extremists during the Cold War, as a counterweight to communism, with results still being seen today.

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2004 Borah Symposium

Nobel Peace Laureate Lech Walesa Visits with IS Students

President Lech Walesa of Poland talks with UI International Studies majors after the former president of Poland spoke at the 2004 Borah Symposium on March 3.

The Martin Institute was pleased to support the Borah Foundation in signing Lech Walesa as the keynote speaker at the 2004 Symposium. Walesa, 1983’s Nobel Peace Laureate, caught the world’s attention in 1980 during the infamous Lenin Shipyard strike in Gdaňsk, Poland. Walesa secured legal recognition of Solidarity and the right to form independent unions and to strike to workers. The Polish government declared martial law and arrested thousands of Solidarity members, yet subsequent nonviolent efforts eroded the Soviet-backed government, and Poland freed itself from Soviet influence. In 1990, he became Poland’s first democratically elected President, and now heads the Lech Walesa Institute.

Walesa’s engaging and often humorous talk was delivered through his personal translator, Magda Iwinska. After viewing a film of his work with Solidarity (taken from the documentary A Force More Powerful: A Century of Nonviolent Conflict), he spoke briefly about that experience before engaging in a lengthy question-and-answer session that ranged widely. Main topics included his perspective of globalization, EU and NATO expansion, and the status of communist governments today.

Following his remarks to an overflow crowd of nearly 1,000 people gathered in UI’s SUB Ballroom, Walesa met with a group of fifteen IS majors for an informal discussion session. This unique opportunity was provided to the students through the collaborative efforts of the Martin Institute and Borah Foundation. The UI College of Law also contributed to Walesa’s visit.

In addition to Lech Walesa (see right article), featured Borah Symposium speakers in April 2004 included the staff of the International Center for Nonviolent Conflict (ICNC) and Dr. Daniel Pinkston, an expert on North Korea based at the Monterey Institute of International Affairs.

The ICNC, an NGO dedicated to promoting nonviolent solutions to conflict situations, first came to the attention of the Borah Foundation following a Fall, 2001 visit by ICNC president Jack DuVall, who delivered a Martin Forum. DuVall, Tufts University professor Dr. Peter Ackerman, peace activist Shazka Beyerle, and former Canadian diplomat Berel Rodal all participated on behalf of the ICNC. ICNC-supported activities included the opening session on defining nonviolent conflict (Ackerman), a community forum (Beyerle), a panel discussion on the applicability of nonviolent models to hard line regimes (DuVall, joined by Pinkston), and introducing Walesa (Rodal). Indeed, the role of the ICNC was essential to the success of the 2004 Symposium.

Dr. Peter Ackerman, Chair, ICNC, opened the 2004 Borah Symposium.
Martin Institute Undergoes

External Program Review

As part of the ongoing re-accreditation process at the UI, the Martin Institute and Martin School of International Affairs underwent an External Program Review (EPR) in June. James Jacob, who began the International Studies major at Wright State University and later served as dean of the College of Liberal Arts at California State University, Chico, joined Theodore Nitz, Director of International Studies at Gonzaga University, on the EPR team. The two spent parts of three days analyzing Martin programs and interviewing various people at UI who have a stake in both the School and the Institute.

As part of the EPR process, Martin Institute staffers completed a lengthy self-study, which defined where we felt we were as an Institute and a School. This study provided the foundation on which the reviewers began their evaluations.

The results of the external review included a combination of strengths and concerns that, if pursued into the future, could help the Institute and School become stronger.

The strengths included such areas as the International Studies Program, the Model United Nations Program, the quality of our website, the quality of advising and student mentoring, external fundraising, the senior thesis program and the presence of Sharon Scott, our Program Advisor.

The major concern was the way in which the University was going to fill the position of Director upon Rand Lewis’ departure. In addition, it was clearly stated that it was important to leave the Institute and School in their present location on the UI campus.

The reviewers were concerned with the need to continually provide appropriate courses for the International Studies major and to continually evaluate the curriculum to ensure that IS students receive the best preparation at the University of Idaho.

As a part of this concept, it was felt that the Director should be included in hiring decisions within supporting departments. Our IS students who were interviewed suggested more social interchange among IS majors. We have taken this to heart and are pursuing opportunities to get the International Studies “family” together more often.

Another important concern was the availability of resources to support the growing IS major. The increasing demands on the existing staff was a primary issue. And finally, the reviewers wanted to make sure that the administration recognized the need for closer ties to the departments within the College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences that provide much of the coursework for the IS major.

Overall, we were pleased with the results of the review. It was great to have outside eyes looking at our Institute and School and providing a positive view of what we do. The University has recognized the strengths and concerns and we are working together to ensure that the Martin Institute and the Martin School of International Affairs continue to move towards excellence.

Call for Laptop Computers

Did you know that used, out-of-date laptop computers and other personal computing equipment may be of use to Martin Institute students, and tax deductible gifts for you? For example, the Model United Nations Delegation would benefit enormously from having 8-10 laptops to take with them to New York City each year. All that is required is that each system have a functional word processing program installed - no other programs or functions are required.

To find out if your items are needed, please contact Sharon Scott at the Martin Institute, 208-885-6527, or martin@uidaho.edu.
UI Wins Pair of Awards

_model united nations 2004_

The 2004 Model UN delegation, which headed to New York in April, included:

**Front Row left to right** • Jenny Hathaway, Sarah MacEachern, Kristin Borer, Ashley Keirnes, Erica Eller.

**Middle Row left to right** • Evan Sanchez, Hanne Beener, Darcy Haney, Courtney Jucht, Elizabeth Forwood, Ellie Best, Brian McCrea, Eric Everett.

**Back Row left to right** • Larry Dicks, John Spalding, Shane O'Brien, Mike Kitzman, Rick Freeman, Holly Greenfield, Jake Schanzench, and Megan Thompson. Jake Schanzench, a senior International Studies major, served last year as part of the national staff of the MUN Conference.

UI's largest contingent ever – twenty students – represented Guatemala at the conference. Under the leadership of co-Head Delegates Jennifer Hathaway and Michael Kitzman (both four year members of the delegation), UI students served on ten committees that simulated actual UN bodies and considered issues from the 2003 agendas of their respective organizations. This was the fifth straight year the Martin Institute sponsored a delegation to the NMUN conference.

In addition to the meeting with Amb. Rosenthal, the 2004 MUN delegation participated in an array of activities while attending the national conference, and walked away with two top awards. The students dined with UI Alumni (including Alumni Association Vice President Scott Green and New York Chapter President Russ Vansant), were briefed by staffers from the Open Society Institute, attended a talk delivered by Under Secretary General for Peacekeeping Operations Jean-Marie Guehenno, and participated in a wide-variety of UN simulations.

The UI students received awards for Outstanding Position Paper writing, and an Honorable Mention for their work during conference sessions. Copies of the awards and the position papers can be viewed at [http://martin.uidaho.edu/NMUN/default.htm](http://martin.uidaho.edu/NMUN/default.htm).
Model United Nations 2004

Spotlight on Ambassador Gert Rosenthal

When considering those diplomats from the Americas who have been most influential in facilitating discussion of economic and social issues over the past twenty years, one could not find a much better candidate than Gert Rosenthal. Ambassador Rosenthal, the Permanent Representative of Guatemala to the United Nations, served as the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) from 1988-97, as the Chairman of the General Assembly Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary) from 2000-01, and most recently as President of the Economic and Social Council Plenary (ECOSOC) in 2002.

In a diplomatic career that began in 1960 and includes service on both international and domestic bodies (including service on the Oversight Commission of the Guatemalan Peace Accords), Amb. Rosenthal stressed the need to integrate urban and rural, developed and developing, and bilateral and regional considerations in any economic policy. His work with ECLAC in particular emphasizes this. In the plenary address to the 1997 Parliamentary Conference of the Americas in 1997, he asked questions that remain pertinent, namely “whether it would be advisable to expand the scope of the formal integration processes currently underway (“deepen”) before extending them to other trading partners in the region (“widen”), or whether it would be preferable to move forward simultaneously on both fronts. The same dilemma arises at the hemispheric level with respect to the possibility of strengthening Latin American integration before proceeding to take steps towards the establishment of the Free Trade Area of the Americas.” As the process towards the FTAA unfolds, this construct merits discussion.

Ambassador Rosenthal was kind enough to set aside a few hours to spend with the UI delegation to the National Model United Nations conference in April. During the visit, he spoke candidly about the challenges faced by Guatemala in the international arena, while emphasizing that multilateralism is his country’s great hope. He also prepared a “talking points” document to give to our students, which can be found at http://martin.uidaho.edu/NMUN/2004Points.html. The Martin Institute and the MUN program express sincere thanks to Amb. Rosenthal for his service.
Brunch on the Potomac

In June the Martin Institute again hosted a social event for friends and alumni in the Washington D.C. area. Over 60 people attended the brunch event held at the home of Linda and Stanley Glod in Mt. Vernon Estates in Alexandria, VA. The group was a wonderful mix of interests and ages, and the wonderful food and gracious hosting by the Glods in their spacious home assured that all had a great time!

International Studies seniors Jana Leachman and Brian McCrea accompanied Director Rand Lewis and Program Advisor Sharon Scott to Washington and helped with the event as well as having time for some interviews and networking in the area. We try to include some graduating seniors in this event each year so that alums and others in the Washington DC area can meet some of our top students and see the quality of our graduates!

If you live in the DC area, or plan to be visiting in early June, we hope you’ll join us next year (watch our website for details)!
Dr. Bill Smith (top, left) poses with some of the May 2004 graduates of the School of International Affairs.

Senior Research Projects

Each spring semester, International Studies seniors participate in a capstone course where they produce a research paper that seeks a conclusion to some current international conflict. The conflict must pertain to their region and issue of emphasis within their degree program. The following projects were completed during the Spring 2004 semester (two examples can be found at the Martin School web site) »

- Border to the East: The EU's Back Door (Mark Krozel)
- Controlling Rio de Janeiro's Red Command (Jeffrey Henderson)
- Creating Direct Links between Taiwan and China (Chieh-Ti Lee)

Cyprus: EU Accession and Economic Integration on a Divided Island (Leah Hess)

Ethnic Hungarians in Modern Romania (Brad Sala)

The FARC, Colombia, and Brazil (Mitch Wheeler)

The Future of the Kurds in the Middle East (Ryan Carpenter)

Illicit Trafficking of Small Arms and Light Weapons in the European Union (Kathleen Lupe)

Integration of Immigrant Children: Germany's Public School System (Ariana Dickinson) continued on page 10

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White Paper on the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict (Jacob Schanzenbach)

White Paper on Transboundary Pollution in the Black Triangle of Europe (Holly Greenfield)
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and hopefully will continue to decrease as our endowment grows. We will continue to provide the university community and the state with international education and research. It is imperative that we retain our present full-time staff and as we grow, have the ability to add more staff. I see a bright future for the Martin Institute and the Martin School of International Affairs.

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U.S. Military-US State Relations Abroad: The Bolivian Example, 28 April 2004

UI alumnus Robert Forwood, a Commander in the US Navy who has held postings in American Embassies in a number of countries, spoke to an audience of 65 about how these two branches of the US government work together to implement policy. He emphasized the War on Drugs and its regional and international impact.

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