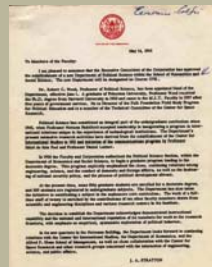


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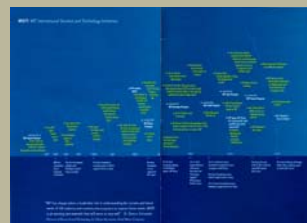
CIS is primarily a research enterprise, but from its earliest years also has made significant contributions to MIT and the wider world through teaching and outreach—in the form of seminars, workshops, crisis simulations, publications, and programs for interns, research associates, postdoctoral fellows, military fellows, diplomats and national security professionals based in Washington, D.C.

In addition, the Center has played a major role in the development of the social sciences at MIT. At the founding of CIS in 1952, the Institute's only social science department was in economics. But the Center's early, Cold War-related projects brought an varied group of social scientists together, and their collaborations catalyzed the establishment of a number of additional social science departments, including the Department of Political Science (Course XVII) in 1965.

The ties between CIS and Political Science have always been strong, even during those years when they were housed in different buildings. Many CIS affiliates are members of the Political Science faculty. Several CIS Directors also served as Heads of the Political Science Department. And most graduate students working at CIS receive their Ph.D.s in political science.



The MIT Department of Political Science (Course XVII) is an outgrowth of CIS.



Seminar XXI

Since 1986, Seminar XXI, an executive education program for current and future leaders in the national security community, has been an important component of the Center's outreach efforts. Seminar XXI uses MIT's distinctive curriculum in world politics to educate more than 60 mid-career foreign policy leaders each year. Speakers at the program's monthly meetings in Washington focus on a range of topics, from terrorism and globalization to ethnic conflict and democratization. Graduates have assumed some of the highest-level positions in the U.S. government and military. Professor Suzanne Berger founded the program, which also has been directed by Professors Kenneth Oye (CIS Director 1992-2000), Barry Posen, and the late Myron Weiner (CIS Director 1987-1992).



Assistant Professor Thomas Christensen, a Chinese foreign policy specialist, speaking at Seminar XXI: Program Fellows at a reception.



Congressional Seminar

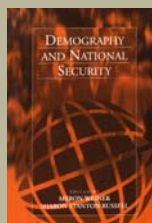
The annual Congressional Senior Staff Seminar, begun in 1992 and led originally by Professor Eugene Skolnikoff (CIS Director, 1972-1987) and Physics Professor Claude Canizares, is another aspect of the Center's Washington outreach. CIS collaborates with others at MIT to provide intensive briefings to senior congressional staff on major science and technology-related issues, such as climate change, information technology and energy.

MIGRATION

Since its establishment in 1974, CIS has chaired the Inter-University Committee on International Migration—a focal point for migration and refugee studies at MIT and several other colleges and universities in the Boston area. Participants produce working papers, conduct seminars, and issue grants to fund student and faculty research.



Political scientist Rosemarie Rogers, a founding member of the Inter-University Committee on International Migration. A working paper series is named in her memory.



MISTI Interns in Japan, China, India and Germany.



Patricia Gercik, Managing Director, and Richard Samuels, Founding Director, in the early years of the MIT Japan Program.

MISTI

In 1981, Assistant Professor Richard Samuels founded the MIT Japan Program, the first program of applied area studies in the United States. Its aim was to foster research on Japanese technology, and to provide an innovative internship and training program in Japanese universities, corporations, and government laboratories for MIT students. Its success led to the creation during the 1990s of similar MIT programs in China, France, Germany, Italy and India, under the umbrella of the MIT International Science and Technology Initiatives, or MISTI. MISTI promotes the internationalization of education and research, and offers its students intensive language and cultural instruction as part of their training to become "global professionals."

MISTI inspired me. I now realize that to make a real difference I don't have to give up engineering to pursue a degree in international relations. [And] I trust my ability to make the connection from science to society, and across societies as well.

— FORMER MISTI STUDENT INTERN

We are now entering an era when the flow of scholars and knowledge across many national boundaries will be the prerequisite for first-rate science and technology, and for first-rate universities. We must act accordingly. We must prepare our students for leadership in the kind of world in which they will live and work. MISTI is an outstanding example of leadership in this area.

— MIT PRESIDENT CHARLES VEST



Suzanne Berger

Political Science Professor Suzanne Berger. Expert on French politics and comparative political economy. Founder of the Seminar XXI Program and Director of MISTI.

FSI

For decades, CIS has helped train diplomats at the State Department's Foreign Service Institute (FSI). During the early 1960s, CIS Director Max Millikan and Professors Lucian Pye and Everett Hagen (CIS Director, 1970-1972) led summer seminars on "The Problems of Development and U.S. Policy" for civilian and military personnel preparing for assignments abroad. During the 1980s and 1990s, Professor Lincoln Bloomfield brought leading foreign policy scholars to the FSI for monthly talks and briefings.

PHRJ

In 2000, CIS, in conjunction with MIT's Department of Urban Studies and Planning, established the Interdisciplinary Program in Human Rights and Justice (PHRJ), the first human rights program in a leading technology school and the first such program to focus on the human rights implications of economic, scientific and technological developments. PHRJ places interns, offers fellowships, publishes working papers, organizes conferences and sponsors a speaker series.

