

UNIVERSITY OF **Nebraska** Policy Talk

Public Policy Center

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Today's Policy Talk contains two items, both of which concern not the PPC itself, but the PPC's connections to other organizations, inside and beyond Nebraska:

1. PPC Co-Sponsors a Leadership & Foreign Policy Series at the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service

The Public Policy Center is one of several co-sponsors for the inaugural short course series, "Global Leadership in Public Service and U.S. Foreign Policy," May 4-June 9, 2006, offered by the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service (www.clintonschool.uasys.edu). The six week series is the brain-child of PPC project coordinator **Patrick Kennedy**. Pat has a joint appointment with the PPC and the Clinton School of Public Service, where he serves as the School's Director of Public Programs. Speakers for the Global Leadership series include President **José María Aznar**, President of Spain from 1996-2004 and Distinguished Scholar, Georgetown University; **Thomas Barnett**, Senior Managing Director, Enterra Solutions, LLC, and author on military strategy; **Betty Bumpers**, co-founder of non-for-profits Every Child by Two (with Rosalynn Carter) and Peace Links, and wife of former Arkansas Governor and U.S. Senator Dale Bumpers; **Erica Downs**, Research Fellow, Brookings Institution; Ambassador **Edward Gabriel**, Visiting Fellow, Middle East Program Center for Strategic and International Studies; Prof. **Fawaz Gerges**, Christian A. Johnson Chair in International Affairs and Middle Eastern Studies at Sarah Lawrence College and senior analyst/commentator for ABC Television News and commentator for NPR's "Morning Edition"; **Jo Luck**, President and CEO of Heifer International Foundation; **Paul Roberts**, author and journalist specializing in the intersections of economics, technology, and the natural world; **David Rothkopf**, president and CEO of Garten Rothkopf, and visiting scholar, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; and Dean **James Steinberg** from the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, University of Texas, Austin. See <http://ppc.nebraska.edu/Data/clintonschoolforiegn.pdf>.

At the conclusion of the series, UACS will be making DVDs available of some of the talks. There also is a possibility that there will be a television special on the issues of Global Leadership and Policy. Both will be available upon request. Contact me if you would like a copy, and I will coordinate with Patrick to get a copy for you.

2. Position Opening at the Nebraska Community Foundation for Chief Financial and Administrative Officer

The Nebraska Community Foundation (NCF) (<http://www.nebcommfound.org>), a statewide non-for-profit Foundation seeks a Chief Financial and Administrative Officer to lead and manage accounting, investment, and administrative functions. Candidates need strong management and communication skills, and be proficient with technology application and accounting software. Experience with fund accounting preferred. Minimum qualifications include a bachelor's degree

in accounting and five years professional experience. Competitive salary and comprehensive benefits package based on experience.

NCF is headquartered in Lincoln. It provides financial management, strategic development and education/training services to communities, organizations and donors throughout Nebraska. The Foundation provides affiliated fund status (allowing communities or organizations to achieve nonprofit charitable status without forming their own nonprofit corporation) and strategic development assistance in nearly 150 communities throughout Nebraska. The Foundation has distributed nearly of \$35 million to community betterment projects of its affiliated funds within the last 10 years and has nearly \$17.1 million in total assets under management.

The Public Policy Center is part of the Hometown Competitiveness (HTC) project that is led by NCF, along with the Center for Rural Entrepreneurship (<http://www.ruraleship.org/>), Heartland Center for Leadership Development (<http://www.heartlandcenter.info/>), and Center for Rural Affairs (<http://www.cfra.org/>). HTC is a comprehensive approach to long-term rural community sustainability. The approach goes beyond the traditional tunnel vision of economic development. HTC helps the community to focus on four interrelated strategies that depend on each other for ultimate success. The four strategic areas of HTC are 1) Developing Leadership, 2) Energizing Entrepreneurs, and 3) Engaging Youth, and 4) Charitable Giving. For more information on the HTC project, visit <http://www.htcnebraska.org/>.

Persons interested in the NCF position should send a resume, three references, and minimum salary requirements to:

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