The Institute serves not only as a research incubator, but also as a vibrant community of student and faculty researchers who use cutting-edge methods to make a difference in the world.

William & Mary has always had fantastic students and faculty, and has long been a magnet for students and faculty interested in international relations and U.S. foreign policy. But until the Institute for the Theory & Practice of International Relations (ITPIR) was founded in 2008, there was no infrastructure to support externally funded international research, no venture R&D fund to invest in promising research initiatives, no home for interdisciplinary thinking on big problems facing the world, and no ability to connect William & Mary researchers to policy practitioners. ITPIR helps to fill these gaps—incubating and supporting projects that engage global networks of scholars, practitioners and partner organizations to produce research that informs policy decisions and improves the lives of people around the world.

As important, we provide training for tomorrow’s policymakers—encouraging student-faculty collaboration and offering more than 250 undergraduates per year transformative research and mentorship experiences that supplement their classroom education and develop marketable skills.

Over the past 12 months, the Institute’s six projects have racked up an impressive list of achievements that we highlight in this report—these include:

- The release of two major survey reports including TRIP’s 2014 Worldwide Faculty Survey and AidData’s “Marketplace of Ideas for Policy Change.”
- The PIPS program’s expansion to include active duty U.S. military officers as PIPS Military Fellows who serve as mentors and advisors for the think tank’s six undergraduate fellows.
- CAD’s field experiment on mobile phones and women’s empowerment in Tanzania, which identified the effects of mobile connectivity on business operations and income potential of female entrepreneurs.
- AidData delivering high-profile briefings to U.S. Senator Tim Kaine, W&M Chancellor Robert Gates and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.
- The Bosnia Project’s recognition with a national “Best Practices in International Education Award” for student philanthropy for their work with Bosnian schoolchildren each summer.
- AidData’s effort to assist Nepal earthquake relief by training W&M students to build digital maps that were used by first responders throughout the country.

This year, ITPIR and its projects attracted more private gifts than ever before and to our donors we are extremely grateful. ITPIR is increasingly reliant on this type of funding, which enables us to incubate and support the research and programs that make our vibrant community of students and scholars thrive. We’ve included a list of funding priorities in this report and I welcome the opportunity to discuss these with anyone who shares our vision of creating policy-relevant research that makes a difference in the world while training students to do the same.

Michael Tierney
Director, Institute for the Theory & Practice of International Relations at William & Mary
ITPIR IN THE WORLD

With scholars, students and partners working across the globe, ITPIR research is creating new knowledge that can be used by practitioners around the world.

IN WASHINGTON, D.C.: PIPS fellows presented original international policy research to a distinguished audience of scholars and policymakers at their annual symposium. Page 5.

IN WILLIAMSBURG: From ITPIR headquarters, researchers bridge the gap between IR theory and practice to improve lives around the world.

IN BRAZIL AND PERU: AidData researchers and students, in partnership with the USAID Mission in Peru, geocoded 320 World Bank and MacArthur Foundation projects in the Amazon to inform future rounds of development assistance. Page 3.

IN UGANDA: Public health researchers with the Center for African Development (CAD) explored the relationship between women’s empowerment and children’s health to inform the next generation of nutrition programs in a region where over 40% of children suffer from chronic undernutrition. Page 4.

IN TANZANIA: Center for African Development (CAD) researchers investigated the link between mobile technology and women’s empowerment and distribute phones to hundreds of women. Page 4.

IN BOSNIA: The Bosnia Project student team taught English, cross-cultural communication and creative expression to more than 80 schoolchildren in Sarajevo. Page 7.

IN CHINA: AidData launched the first, geo-referenced database of Chinese development finance to Africa and an interactive geospatial dashboard, providing detailed geocoded information on over 1,900 projects across Africa. Page 3.

IN NEPAL: AidData Summer Fellows trained local stakeholders in GIS mapping, while students in Williamsburg generated maps to assist first responders with earthquake relief efforts. Page 3.

IN AUSTRALIA: Teaching Research and International Policy (TRIP) Project researchers worked with scholars at partner institutions here (and in 31 other countries) to conduct their Worldwide Faculty Survey of 10,000+ IR scholars. Page 6.

IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS ITPIR HAS...

- Provided 250+ undergraduates with transformative research experience in U.S. and abroad.
- Hosted 29 IR experts to deliver special lectures.
- Published research that has been clicked, "liked" and shared more than 1.5 MILLION times online.
- Conducted fieldwork in 20 countries.
- Received 20 new awards, grants and contracts.
- Built and strengthened partnerships in 48 countries.
- Held 9 community-building BBQs and pizza nights.
AIDDATA

AidData is a research and innovation lab that makes development finance information more accessible and actionable by creating data, decision support tools and knowledge products that enable the global development community to more effectively distribute aid. With AidData’s comprehensive data portal—aiddata.org—development researchers and practitioners can compare data on over $40 trillion in remittances, foreign direct investment and aid from 90 donor agencies. Over the last decade AidData has helped establish William & Mary as a premier global center of excellence by bringing together scholars, students, policymakers and development leaders to focus on data-driven approaches to improve decision-making.

In the last year, AidData researchers and students tracked conservation projects in the Amazon, supported the Nepal earthquake recovery effort, spatially geo-located over 17,000 development projects representing nearly over 100,000 locations and $650 billion in investments, and developed spatial impact evaluation methodology to identify rigorous evidence of impact at a faster speed and lower cost than traditional randomized control trials.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT:
AIDDATA SUMMER FELLOWS PUT DEVELOPMENT DATA TO WORK
In June 2014, 21 student researchers from W&M and six other universities traveled to Nepal, Uganda, Timor-Leste, Senegal and Mexico to serve as AidData Summer Fellows. The fellows worked with 12 different local organizations—including universities, think tanks, government line ministries, and civil society organizations—to equip them to leverage geocoded data to solve development challenges in their own communities, through program planning, advocacy and research. Fellows worked on diverse projects ranging from developing a GIS course for a Master’s curriculum program at Kathmandu University, to testing ways to use geocoded data in crowdsourcing citizen feedback on development projects with UNICEF Uganda. Summer 2015 will see 16 Summer Fellows in five countries including Uganda, the Philippines, Ghana, Indonesia and Peru.

INNOVATIVE RESEARCH: OPEN SOURCE DATA COLLECTION
To provide the research and policy communities with the most accurate and policy relevant data on development finance, AidData pioneered an open-source data collection method to track financing from donors such as China, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Venezuela. In summer 2014, AidData began to track official finance from Gulf Cooperation Council donors, including Saudi Arabia and Qatar, to support policy briefs and analysis. In November 2014, AidData launched the first geo-referenced database of Chinese development finance to Africa and an interactive geospatial dashboard that provides details on what is going on at a province, district and street corner level. By the end of 2015, with support from the MacArthur Foundation and a partnership with the National University of Singapore, AidData will expand coverage of Chinese aid and official financing beyond Africa to include South and Southeast Asia as well as South America.

SHAPING POLICY WITH DATA: “MARKETPLACE OF IDEAS FOR POLICY CHANGE” NEW SURVEY RESULTS
In April 2015, AidData released its “Marketplace of Ideas for Policy Change” report that sheds light on the ways that donors, international organizations and civil society organizations can most effectively influence reform efforts on the ground in developing countries. The report, based on data collected from the 2014 Reform Efforts Survey, draws upon the firsthand experiences and observations of nearly 6,750 policymakers and practitioners in 126 developing countries to examine the influence of over 100 external assessments of government performance on the policymaking process of developing countries. AidData will follow the release of the report with a series of publications and blog posts via aiddata.org in 2015 and 2016 that further leverage the data from the 2014 Reform Efforts Survey. AidData’s survey practice is preparing for its next omnibus survey slated for 2016, as well as more frequent and targeted snap polls to take the pulse of development policymakers and practitioners.

AidData Nepal earthquake response portal

AidData Summer Fellows Erin Cusack and Jaykumar Tekwani work with Freedom Forum in Nepal to build the capacity of stakeholders to use geocoded aid information for policy analysis.

Tracking Chinese Aid to Africa Dashboard (china.aiddata.org)
THE CENTER FOR AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT (CAD)

CO-DIRECTORS: SCOTT ICKES & PHILIP ROESSLER

The Center for African Development (CAD) conducts policy-relevant research on armed conflict, gender equality, governance and public health in Sub-Saharan Africa. CAD employs scientific analysis and field-based research to advance academic and policy debates while developing partnerships that contribute to positive change in African communities—particularly through distribution of mobile technology to women, the implementation of improved child and maternal health programs, and the delivery of high-level policy briefings on the elite politics of state failure.

SCOTT ICKES JOINS CAD AS CO-DIRECTOR
Dr. Scott Ickes, Assistant Professor in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Sciences, joined the Center as Co-Director in March 2015. Ickes’ research program focuses on the causes and consequences of child malnutrition and has been set in Uganda, South Africa and Malawi. Ickes also heads W&M’s Mandela Washington Fellowship, an annual summer institute in civic leadership for young African leaders.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANTS IN AFRICA
CAD meets the growing demand from students to do fieldwork in Africa by providing summer research opportunities across the continent. In 2014-15, W&M students were engaged as research collaborators in Williamsburg as well as in Uganda (Emily Mahoney '15, Laura Pugh '15 and Alison Roberts '15), Tanzania (Raychel Schwartz ‘15, Tim Wright ‘15, Matthew Bondy ‘18 and Catherine Crowley ‘17) and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Nadia Ilunga ‘15).

EXPERIMENT ON MOBILE PHONES AND WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT IN TANZANIA REVEALS IMPROVED BUSINESS OPERATIONS
Phase one of a first-of-its-kind field experiment to test the impact of mobile phone technology on women’s empowerment was completed by Philip Roessler and his research team, including W&M undergraduates, in spring 2015. Funded by ITPIr, the field experiment was conducted in Tanzania in the summer of 2014 and included 54 female small business owners living around Dar es Salaam. The team found that mobile phone ownership had a strong positive effect on participants’ business operations, access to market information, use of mobile banking and individual welfare. The project has attracted the support of international mobile phone network operator Tigo, who will fund the second phase of the project in 2015 and distribute phones to more than 500 women.

COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH IN WESTERN UGANDA
For the past two years, Scott Ickes has traveled to Uganda with W&M undergraduates to interview over 100 men and women in focus groups, and 210 mothers in a household survey that elucidated the relationship between maternal social support, decision-making and child nutrition. The results are being used to inform an assessment tool community-health workers will use to measure women’s status upon enrollment in nutrition programs. In a region of the world where over 40% of children suffer from chronic under nutrition and women are the primary caregivers, these findings will inform the next generation of nutrition programs.

YOUNG AFRICAN LEADERS CONVENE AT W&M
Since 2014, W&M has co-hosted the Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders, a civic leadership institute that brings together fellows from across Sub-Saharan Africa to develop innovative strategies to promote good governance, community-participation and public administration. Fellows also discuss social issues ranging from gender-based discrimination to youth mobilization. The second annual program will be held from June-July 2015 and will host fellows from 24 countries.

CAD research assistant Alison Roberts ‘15 interviews a mother in a study about women’s empowerment and child nutrition in western Uganda. The project is directed by Scott Ickes and the results are being used to inform nutrition programs in this community and beyond.

CAD’s first-of-its-kind mobile phone experiment is working to put 500 mobile phones in the hands of Tanzanian women like spinach farmer Pili (above), and is also working to quantify the benefits of phone ownership to small-business owners. CAD’s mobile phone recipients experienced improved access to market information and a five-fold increase in the number of customers they reached by phone.

Members of the 2014 Mandela Washington Fellowship program at the closing ceremonies at W&M in July 2014.
The Project on International Peace and Security (PIPS) is the only faculty-mentored undergraduate think tank in the country, annually recruiting a team of six student fellows and six student interns to craft novel policy solutions to emerging international security challenges.

The year-long program culminates with the Washington, D.C. PIPS Student Policy Symposium where fellows deliver presentations on their policy briefs to a distinguished audience of scholars and policymakers. The students showcase a mastery of their subjects and poise under pressure as they face questions from a discussant and audience. PIPS research not only represents the high quality of W&M student work, but also the relevance of that work to the policy community. The 2015 PIPS symposium was held on Wednesday, April 22, at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. and was moderated by Brent Colburn, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs.

2014-2015 PIPS WHITE PAPERS

“The Impact of Bangladeshi Climate Refugees on India: Improving Foreign Aid to Bangladesh to Stabilize South Asia” Rebecca Brown ’16

“Reform from a Distance: Strengthening Fragile State Institutions with E-Learning” Justin DeShazor ’15

“The Politics of Fast-Paced Epidemic: Bolstering Disease-Burdened States with Community Resilience” Isabel DoCampo ’15

“Unmanned Underwater Vehicles: The Next Insurgent Threat” Daniel Duane ’15

“Women of Mass Destruction: Combating Radicalization on the Web” Duena Hassan ’16

“The Schoolhouse Model: Rethinking UNHCR’s Approach to Refugee Camps” Susan Nelson ’15

PIPS white papers may be read online at www.wm.edu/PIPS

PIPS MILITARY FELLOWS

Founded in 2014, the PIPS Military Fellows Program pairs PIPS student fellows with active duty military officers from the Defense Entrepreneurs Forum (DEF). These experienced analysts serve as mentors and lend strategic expertise to PIPS fellows throughout their year of research.

THE E-INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Now in its second academic year, the PIPS e-internship program places around 20 undergraduates per year in positions with government agencies, think tanks, non-governmental organizations and industry in the United States and across the world. Each PIPS e-intern conducted ten hours of research each week throughout the academic year for policy employers, including the Diplomatic Courier, Congressional Research Service, Center for International Maritime Security, Xanadu Geography, International Institute for Strategic Studies, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command and U.S. European Command.

THE JEFFERSON FORUM

The Jefferson Forum is an online discussion board that brings together PIPS fellows with the national security community to explore policy solutions for some of today’s most intractable security problems. This digital network is preparing PIPS fellows to become the next generation of national security and international affairs professionals and scholars.
TRIP PUBLISHES FIFTH WORLDWIDE FACULTY SURVEY

In August 2014, TRIP researchers launched their fifth worldwide faculty survey of 14,000+ scholars in more than 30 countries, including emerging powers such as China, Brazil, India and South Africa. The results provide insight into how universities are training the next generation of diplomats and political leaders. The full report is featured online at www.wm.edu/trip.

CONFERENCE AIMS TO “STRENGTHEN LINKS” BETWEEN IR SCHOLARS AND PRACTITIONERS

A panel of policy experts and scholars discussed the challenges and opportunities of bridging the gap between the academy and policy worlds during the TRIP Project’s “Strengthening the Links” conference at W&M on January 14, 2015. The panel was moderated by the Hon. Mitchell Reiss, President and CEO of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, and included the Hon. Robert Zoellick, former president of the World Bank; Dr. Sarah Kreps, Associate Professor of Government at Cornell University and former U.S. Air Force officer; and Dr. Peter Feaver, Professor of Political Science and Public Policy at Duke University, who served on the National Security Council staff in both the Clinton and Bush administrations.

FOREIGN POLICY IVORY TOWER SURVEY RANKS W&M 18TH IN U.S. FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

For the first time since 2006, when Foreign Policy began to publish its ranking of international relations schools in its Ivory Tower Index, William & Mary has made the list of “Top 25 U.S. Undergraduate Institutions to Study International Relations,” coming in at 18th. The Ivory Tower survey—a collaboration between Foreign Policy and the TRIP Project—collects responses from 1,615 IR scholars drawn from 1,375 U.S. colleges and universities to determine rankings for the leading Ph.D., terminal masters, and undergraduate programs in IR.

SNAP POLLS CAPTURE EXPERT OPINION IN REAL TIME

With support from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, TRIP has published the results of six “snap polls” which capture real-time scholarly opinion in the wake of significant policy proposals, during international crises and on emerging foreign policy debates. Six polls have been conducted since March 2014 and included topics like the nuclear deal with Iran, Greece’s future in the eurozone, the U.S.–Israeli relationship, the crisis in Ukraine, Syria’s chemical weapons, and U.S. defense spending. The results of these polls are featured in Foreign Policy and are routinely picked up by mainstream media outlets and high-traffic political and academic blogs. Snap poll results from March 2014, May 2014, January 2015, March 2015, April 2015 and June 2015 may be viewed at www.wm.edu/trip.

TRIP GOES VIRAL

As part of a cooperative agreement, Foreign Policy publishes the results of TRIP’s snap polls and faculty surveys where they have received more than 1 million page views online. TRIP articles have been shared more than 50,000 times.

TRIP GLOBAL PATHWAYS PROGRAM: BUILDING UNDERSTANDING OF IR BEYOND THE WEST

The Global Pathways Project was established in 2014 by TRIP Research Associate Wiebke Wemheuer-Vogelaar to explore knowledge production and diffusion in IR beyond the West—in particular from rising powers in the global South and East. Six W&M undergraduates produced full-length conference papers and a February 2015 workshop brought graduate students from the Free University of Berlin together with W&M undergraduates to share their research and to discuss ways to integrate non-Western IR into the American classroom.
THE BOSNIA PROJECT

FACULTY ADVISOR: PAULA PICKERING

Since 1999, William & Mary Bosnia Project student teachers have traveled to post-war communities in and around Sarajevo to teach English, cross-cultural understanding and non-violent communication to more than 80 Bosnian schoolchildren each summer. The Bosnia Project provides a free youth education program that encourages team building, youth empowerment, creative expression and cooperation in a region that remains economically depressed, ethnically segregated and politically dysfunctional. A recent expansion of the Bosnia Project includes W&M student-led impact evaluations of the program, while strong collaborative partnerships with Bosnian educators enable W&M students to build bridges and promote peace for the next generation of Bosnians.

BOSNIA PROJECT WINS STUDENT PHILANTHROPY AWARD

The Bosnia Project was recognized with “The Best Practices in International Education Award” for student philanthropy in March 2015 by NASPA, the leading association for the advancement, health and sustainability of the student affairs profession.

W&M STUDENTS CONDUCT FIRST IMPACT EVALUATION OF BOSNIA PROJECT

In 2014 a W&M-led impact evaluation of the Bosnia Project assessed the camp’s impact on participants and found that 82 percent of Bosnian students improved “a lot” in their ability to converse with native English speakers, while 63 percent of W&M students said they improved their cross-cultural communication. The 2015 team of volunteers will conduct research to assess the impact of the Bosnia Project on participants’ inter-cultural competences.

BOSNIA PROJECT ALUMNI RECEIVE FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

Lexi Hartley ’14, M.Ed.’15 became the fourth Bosnia Project alumna to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to return to Bosnia in the summer of 2014. Kelly Chroninger ’04; Dana McKelvey ’13; and Michael Tsidulko ’09 have also received the prestigious award.

SUPPORT THE BOSNIA PROJECT: After 16 successful years of teaching collaborations in Sarajevo and beyond, the Bosnia Project is in critical need of the medium and long-term funding that will ensure it continues to provide both a transformative opportunity for W&M students and a highly-valued educational enrichment program for Bosnian youth. To support the Bosnia Project, please visit www.wm.edu/itpir and click “Support”.

VIOLENT INTRANATIONAL POLITICAL CONFLICT & TERRORISM (VIPCAT) LAB

DIRECTOR: STEPHEN SHELLMAN

VIPCAT uses multi-disciplinary insights from linguistics, psychology, computer science, and social science to automatically gauge behavioral and emotional relationships among key actors in society. Models developed on the near-real time data collection from a constant stream of global news and social media can predict social unrest, violence and terrorist activities around the globe with very high accuracy.

VIPCAT’s Integrated Crisis Early Warning System (ICEWS) has been deployed to U.S. military combatant commands and analyses have been briefed to the President and the National Security Council.

VIPCAT’s data is collected from the most news sources and contains the most details on individuals, actors and groups of any database ever assembled.

VIPCAT’s tools can be applied to a host of problems: business intelligence, the insurance industry, corporate threat analysis abroad, NGOs responding to crises, financial markets, employee retention, public perceptions, political campaigns and more.
PARTNERSHIPS, OUTREACH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT’S DIPLOMACY LAB
The Diplomacy Lab, an active partnership between the U.S. Department of State and William & Mary, leverages student research to tackle complex, real-world, diplomatic challenges. This year multiple ITPIR projects (including PIPS, CAD and AidData), participated in the Diplomacy Lab, producing policy reports and recommendations.

“Irregular migration in the Mediterranean: Recommendations for U.S. Action”
By Tyler Bembenek ’15 and Caper Gooden ’16, The Project on International Peace & Security (PIPS)

“Practical Politics? Regional Shifts and Local Impacts of the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam”
By Akela Lacy ’15, Julie Snyder ’15 and Lauren Su ’15, The Center for African Development (CAD)

“Investigating the Role of NGOs in the Health Landscape of Sub-Saharan African Countries”
By Connor Kennedy ’15, Will Nelson ’17 and Austin Trotta ’17 (AidData)

“Expanding the Policy Influence of the State Department’s Investment Climate Statements” (AidData)
By Bradley Parks ’03, Taylor Wilson ’15, Diana Winter ’16, Michael Testa ’17 and Torey Beth Jackson ’16

ITPIR’S DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES 2014-2015
Daniel Drezner (Tufts University and the Brookings Institution) presented “Theories of International Politics and Zombies.” in September 2014

Thomas Risse (Freie Universität Berlin) presented “Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood: Research Design and Results” in September 2014

Bennett Collins (University of St. Andrews) presented “The Silence isn’t Working for US: Deconstructing America’s First State Truth and Reconciliation Commission” in October 2014

David Leblang (UVA) and Bill Bernhard (University of Illinois) presented “Should You Go to Graduate School?” in January 2015


Christopher Kirchhoff, Special Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Mitchell Reiss, former U.S. Department of State Director of Policy Planning presented “From Cyber to Ebola: Hard Problems in National Security” in April 2015

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR SERIES - SPRING 2015
ITPIR’s first International Development Seminar Series brought together faculty, students and staff from across many disciplines to hear distinguished researchers present cutting-edge work on development topics.

Andrew Zeitlin (Georgetown Public Policy): “Pay for locally monitored performance? A welfare analysis for teacher attendance in Ugandan primary schools.”

Cyrus Samii (NYU): “Inequality, Relative Deprivation, and Revolt: Micro-evidence from Burundi”

Sam Bazzi (Boston University): “Skill Transferability, Migration, and Development: Evidence from Population Resettlement in Indonesia”

Rema Hanna (Harvard Kennedy School): “Health Worker Absenteeism in India”

In May 2015 W&M Chancellor Robert Gates and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice visited ITPIR where they were briefed by AidData staff and student researchers.

ITPIR and AidData welcomed U.S. Senator Tim Kaine in December 2014 for a tour of the house and discussion of AidData’s ongoing work.

W&M undergraduates and graduate students from the Free University of Berlin present research at the TRIP Global Pathways Berlin-Williamsburg Conference in February 2015.

Building community over burgers—ITPIR BBQs are an honored tradition on Scotland Street.
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PRIVATE GIVING

The number of individual alumni and friends who supported ITPIR and its fundraising campaigns this year. That’s 88% of the 349 donors who have made gifts to ITPIR since its 2008 founding.

Total amount of private gifts to ITPIR and its research projects from June 2014 - June 2015. This number represents 35% of the $307,600 in donations made to ITPIR since 2008.

308 of ITPIR’s 349 individual donors made gifts in 2014-15. Many thanks to the 308 alumni and friends who supported us this year.

$109,300 of the $307,600 that has been donated to ITPIR by alumni and friends was given this year. This $109,300 allows us to invest in innovative new projects, student research and special programs.

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In the 2015 fiscal year, ITPIR earned 20 new grants, awards and contracts totaling more than $2 million in new funding commitments.

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**FUNDrAISING PRIORIteS**

**DIrectOR’S FUND**
Gifts of any size may be allocated to the Director’s Fund, which enables us to respond quickly and efficiently to emerging opportunities and evolving needs. These gifts can provide seed funding for promising new student- or faculty-initiated projects, support student research and conference travel, and purchase critical infrastructure and technology that can be used by all Institute students and faculty.

**CATALYTIC reSeARCH FUND**  **ONE YEAR OF FUNDING:** $20,000  **NAMED ENDOWMENT:** $500,000
The Catalytic Research Fund allows the Institute to offer seed funding to promising research projects in their early stages of development, enabling students and scholars to launch pilot studies, carry out experiments and fine-tune research plans before they seek external funding. The Institute is unique in its commitment to fund new projects and has an outstanding record of incubating innovative concepts and taking them to scale.

**COMmUNITY eNGAGeMeNT FUND**  **ONE YEAR OF FUNDING:** $5,000  **NAMED ENDOWMENT:** $125,000
The Community Engagement Fund supports the social and professional programs that bring together ITPIr’s students, scholars and alumni outside the lab or classroom. From career networking events, to mentorship programs, to skills workshops, to research open houses, to celebratory BBQs, this fund supports the community-building activities that lead to life-long relationships between students, alumni and faculty.

**DISTINGUISheD SPeAKer SerIeS**  **ONE YEAR OF FUNDING:** $6,000  **NAMED ENDOWMENT:** $150,000
The Institute draws on its network of IR experts to bring scholars and practitioners to W&M to deliver public lectures and offer research and career advice to students. An endowed lecture series would guarantee the Institute’s ability to host multiple lecturers each year.

**STUDeNT reSeARCH SchoLArShIP**  **ONE YEAR OF FUNDING:** $10,000  **NAMED ENDOWMENT:** $250,000
The Student research Scholarship Program allows undergraduates to gain substantial faculty-mentored research experience while working part-time during the academic year and full-time in the summer. Students contribute their talent, enthusiasm and fresh perspectives to develop new datasets, brief government officials, conduct field experiments, and write articles, policy briefs and blog posts for publication.

**FAcULTy BooK WorShoP FUND**  **ONE YEAR OF FUNDING:** $6,000  **NAMED ENDOWMENT:** $150,000
Modeled after programs at some of the nation’s most prestigious research universities, the Faculty Book Workshop Fund supports W&M faculty in the final pre-submission stage of manuscript development by underwriting a panel of distinguished scholars to convene at W&M for a daylong review of the manuscript. Readers offer in-depth critique and suggestions for strengthening the publication in a process that can make the difference between a good book and a great one. To date, five faculty book manuscripts have been workshopped.

**PoST-BAccALAUreATe FeLLoWShIP**  **ONE YEAR OF FUNDING:** $40,000  **NAMED ENDOWMENT:** $1,000,000
The Institute’s Post-Baccalaureate Fellowships offer recent graduates a full-time, intensive research or project management experience. The fellowship pairs recent graduates with ITPIr research projects and provides them with institutional support and personal guidance as they build strong credentials for employment or graduate school admissions, distinguish themselves with a publication record, demonstrate and refine research skills, or develop long-term career plans.

**PoST-DocTorAL FeLLoWShIP**  **ONE YEAR OF FUNDING:** $60,000  **NAMED ENDOWMENT:** $1,500,000
Post-Doctoral Fellows provide continuing support for Institute research projects and increase the number and quality of mentored research opportunities for our students. ITPIr post-doctoral fellows have worked with students to publish research on the impact of land titling policy on forestry and conservation in Ecuador and on the rise and decline of foreign aid expenditures from Arab donors.

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Gifts to the Institute’s endowment are truly an investment in the future—in the future of the students whose lives are transformed by the research and mentorship experiences they receive at the Institute, and in the future of people around the world whose lives are improved when policy decisions are based on rigorous social science. We seek partners who share our commitment to create influential international relations scholarship. Endowed funding will ensure that the Institute can sustain its current projects while supporting exciting new student-faculty research collaborations that bridge the gap between the theory and practice of international relations and inform decisions that change the world.
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Photos clockwise from top left: ITPIr student researchers, staff and faculty at the Institute house on Scotland Street in Williamsburg; Justin DeShazor ’15 was an AidData Fellow with the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Here he explains the tools he used to develop briefing materials on aid investments for members of the Senate; PIPS student fellows and military fellows; W&M Bosnia Project student teachers lead their classroom in Sarajevo in summer 2014; Peter Colwell ’15, AidData Summer Fellow, teaches geography in the village of Sahilitar, Nepal; CAD’s Emily Mahoney ’15 measures the arm of a child in Bundibugyo, Uganda in summer 2014.

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