

two graduate level courses taught by distinguished members of the Department's faculty, as well as attended weekly lunches and dinners with visiting scholars from all over the U.S. The students toured Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's mountain home, and traveled to Washington, DC, where Kaplan Testing Services provided the students with a Graduate Record Examination preparation course. And on June 25, representatives of 14 leading graduate political science programs came to UVA and attempted to recruit the students to their universities.

Study at the Institute was intense. Monday through Thursday the students met for four hours in either Institute Director Paula McClain's course on Race and American Politics or a quantitative methods course, Political Analysis, taught by Professor Paul Freedman. According to Bunche student DeAunderia Bryant (UC-Berkeley), it was "a challenging program which provides promise for a successful future in the field of political science." Tyson Marsh from the University of Washington added that "It [was] a valuable learning experience and is instrumental in shaping the young minds of minority students inter-

ested in pursuing a career in academics."

This year's program also proved one of the most successful in convincing students to apply to graduate programs in political science. According to Christine Grant of Hofstra University, "It solidified my interest in pursuing a Ph.D. in the field of political science." Ronnie Booker of the University of Virginia commented that "as a result of participating in this program, it's certain that I want to pursue a career in academia."

All of the students also reported marked improvement in their writing and research skills. Janelle Banks of Smith College explained that the program "opened [her] eyes to the wide array of topics in the discipline of political science."

Because of its rigorous program, the Institute's past student-scholars have seen great success. Yvette Alex-Assensoh, an assistant professor at Indiana University, Heather Dash, a graduate student at Emory University, Khalilah Brown, a graduate student at Ohio State, and Andra Gillespie, an entering graduate student at Yale University, are all Bunche alumnae. Andra, Yvette, and Khalilah returned on June 25 to tell the students a little about how the Institute has impacted their

lives. Many other students have had success in application to other top graduate and law programs over the past 12 years. In fact, a number of alumni have received master and Ph.D. degrees and three have been named assistant professors.

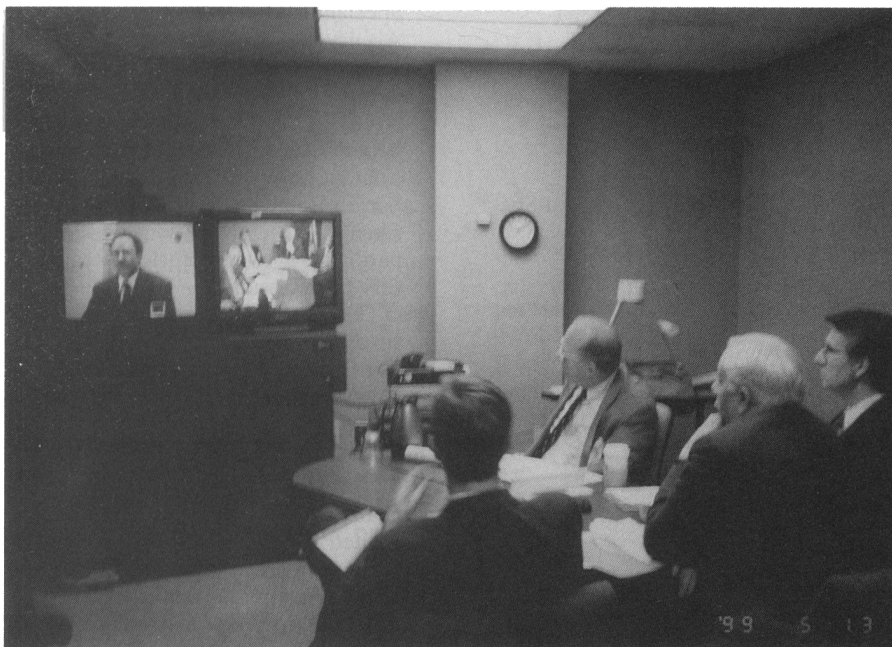
The Institute's namesake, Ralph Bunche, a 1934 Harvard University graduate, was the first African American to receive a doctorate in political science and the first to serve as president of the American Political Science Association. In 1950 he also became the first African American to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.

The Institute has been held at the University of Virginia for the past four years. The program is supported financially by a grant from the National Science Foundation, the American Political Science Association, and by the University of Virginia.

Diversity and Internationalism Characterize 1999-2000 Congressional Fellows

Continuing to benefit from the very generous MCI WorldCom endowment of several years ago, the ongoing support of Congressional Quarterly, Inc., and a recently received three-year grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, the APSA Congressional Fellowship Program retains its core emphasis on providing political scientists and journalists the opportunity of experiencing Congress firsthand. Although those two groups have been present since the program's inception in 1953, the forty-seventh class of Congressional Fellows, who begin their orientation in November 1999, represent an increasingly diverse group.

For example, this is the second year the Congressional Fellows will include a Hatfield Fellow, named after former Oregon Republican Senator Mark Hatfield. The fellowship provides an Oregon Native American with a position on the legislative staff of an Oregonian congressional delegation. The fellowship switches chamber and political party each year. The Hatfield Fellow helps ensure the concerns of thousands of the region's Native Americans are-



Members of the federal executive fellow selection panel conduct an interview via satellite teleconferencing with a USIA candidate at the agency's headquarters in Washington, DC. From the left: Chris Midura, USIA (CFP Fellow 1997-98); Professor Frederick Holborn, John Hopkins University; Edward Cole, U.S. Forest Service (CFP Fellow 1997-98); Jeffrey Biggs, CFP Director (CFP Fellow 1985-86). USIA Candidate Ken Moskowitz, U.S. Embassy, Vienna, pictured on screen.

/represented in legislative policy discussions and offers a critical resource for northwest congressional delegations considering legislation affecting a large bloc of underrepresented constituents.

For the past few years, participation by non-U.S. citizens has been made possible by the German Marshall Fund of the United States, which annually selects and funds two or three German and French fellows. The Congressional Fellowship Program's web site (www.apsanet.org/CFP) has attracted applicants from practically every country. Unfortunately, only a few foreign applicants can be considered each year. Even so, one of the biggest infusions of new talent in the 1999–2000 class will come from international fellows. The Asia Foundation, a major supporter of the program in past decades, has returned to support a fellow from the Republic of Korea and the Ford Foundation will help fund the participation of an Egyptian doctoral student currently studying at the Johns Hopkins Nitze School of Advanced International Studies. At the conclusion of the program, the Egyptian scholar will be assigned to the newly created American Studies Center at Cairo University to teach U.S. politics and the legislative process. Additional international viewpoints will be provided by an APSA-MCI WorldCom Fellow with a doctorate from the University of Toronto and a political science fellow with an undergraduate degree from a British university.

Indicative of the program's internationalization, two of this year's foreign affairs fellows interviewed via satellite from Madrid and Vienna. What was a novelty for CFP interviewers was business as usual for the United States Information Agency, which regularly coordinates such transoceanic dialogues.

A different, but no less important, geographic diversity comes with the inclusion of increased numbers of fellows from America's "heartland"—a welcome shift from previously classes' bicoastal makeup.

Diversity has not been pursued for its own sake. In group discussions during the three-week orienta-

tion or the biweekly Wilson Seminars, an analysis of the U.S. legislative process is always richer for the inclusion of individuals with a variety of vantage points.

The members of the 1999–2000 class of APSA Congressional Fellows are:

Political Science Fellows

Robert G. Boatright, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Chicago
Daniel Kaufman, Ph.D. Candidate, University of California, San Diego
Andrew Taylor, Assistant Professor, North Carolina State University (William A. Steiger Fellow)

Carl Albert Fellows

Leslie McCollum, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Oklahoma
Craig Williams, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Oklahoma

Journalism Fellows

Tanya Ballard, Reporter, *The Tennessean*, Nashville, TN (Knight Foundation Fellow)
Jennifer Chaney, City/Special Reporter, *Gazette Newspapers*, Gaithersburg, MD (Knight Foundation Fellow)
Hazel Trice Edney, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (Knight Foundation Fellow)
Lynne Weil, European Correspondent, *Catholic News Service*, Rome (Congressional Quarterly Fellow)
Kim Wellman, News Director, KKPR AM-FM, Kearney, NE

APSA-MCI WorldCom Fellows

Chantal Blouin, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Toronto
James Snider, Ph.D. Candidate, Northwestern University

Hatfield Fellow

Direlle R. Calica, Tribal Paralegal Specialist, Warm Springs, OR

German Marshall Fellows

Michael Kolkman, Research Assistant/Ph.D. Candidate, University of Potsdam, Berlin
Simone Stemmler, Program Coordinator, Council on International Educational Exchange, Bonn

Ford Foundation Fellow

Mohamed Kamal-Shahda, Cairo University American Studies Center, Cairo, Egypt

Asia Foundation Fellow

Chung Youl Lee, Expert Advisor, Tripartite Commission, Seoul, Korea

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows

Charleta Guillory, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine
Sally Phillips, Associate Professor, University of Colorado School of Nursing
Mark M. Rasenick, Professor, University of Illinois
David A. Russell, Assistant Dean of Clinical Affairs, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine
Jeff K. Shornick, Clinical Associate Professor, University of Washington
Karen Edison Zanol, Assistant Professor of Dermatology, University of Missouri

Federal Fellows

Gloria Anthony, Information Systems Security Analyst, National Security Agency
Karen R. Etheridge, Deputy Chief of Planning and Programming Division, Department of the Air Force
Erastace N. Fields, Reactor Systems Engineer, Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Hannah Patricia Marter, Management Staff for Office of Inspector General, National Reconnaissance Office
Glen Sauer, Deputy Chief of Protective Services, National Security Agency
Richard Sullivan, Program Analyst, Department of the Navy
Cynthia Taylor, Physical Scientist, National Imagery and Mapping Agency, Department of Defense

Foreign Affairs Fellows

John Abbatiello, Intelligence Operations Specialists, Defense Intelligence Agency
Kel Jacobs Britvec, Senior Intelligence Officer, Defense Intelligence Agency
R. Wesley Carrington, Assistant Public Affairs Officer, United States Information Agency
Laban L. Coblenz, Special Assistant for External Communications and International Programs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Kim Cornwell, Chief Engineer, Central Intelligence Agency
David Dorman, Chief of Intelligence Analysis Branch, National Security Agency
Katherine Hadda, International Economist, Department of State
Abigail Morales, Senior Program Officer, United States Information Agency
Ken Moskowitz, Information Officer, United States Information Agency
John Underriner, Special Assistant of the Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State