



John Kaplan took this photo in Sichuan Province, China, while doing summer fieldwork as part of UF's Transnational and Global Studies Center grant program, which is funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

TROPHY CASE

UF recognizes overseas activities of Kaplan, Molleda

UF recently named **John Kaplan** its International Educator of the Year (senior faculty) and awarded him \$5,000.

The university also named Kaplan and **Juan-Carlos Molleda** Distinguished International Educators.

The College nominated Kaplan and Molleda for the senior and junior faculty awards, respectively.

The International Center organizes the annual awards.

"I learned of the award while in Seoul," said Kaplan, who spoke at the International Documentary Photo Awards seminar and judged the inaugural International Documentary Photo Awards competition, which attracted more than 8,000 images from across the world.

During the early November trip, Kaplan also addressed China's largest photography festival, which was organized by the Chinese Photographers Association.



Kaplan, right, holds his International Educator of the Year (senior faculty) Award. He is joined by Joe Glover.

GETTING ON BOARD

Harris chairs poverty-fighting group

Charles J. Harris Jr. was recently elected chairman of the board of directors for Central Florida Community Action Agency (CFCAA), a non-profit organization that helps fight poverty in Alachua, Levy and Marion counties.



Charles Harris

UF President **Bernie Machen** re-appointed Harris to a three-year term as the university's representative to the board.

GRAD SCHOOL

Kim, Martin-Kratzer, Rodgers make the list

The Graduate School recently accepted the College faculty recommendation to promote **Hyojin Kim, Renee Martin-Kratzer** and **Ron Rodgers** to the graduate faculty.



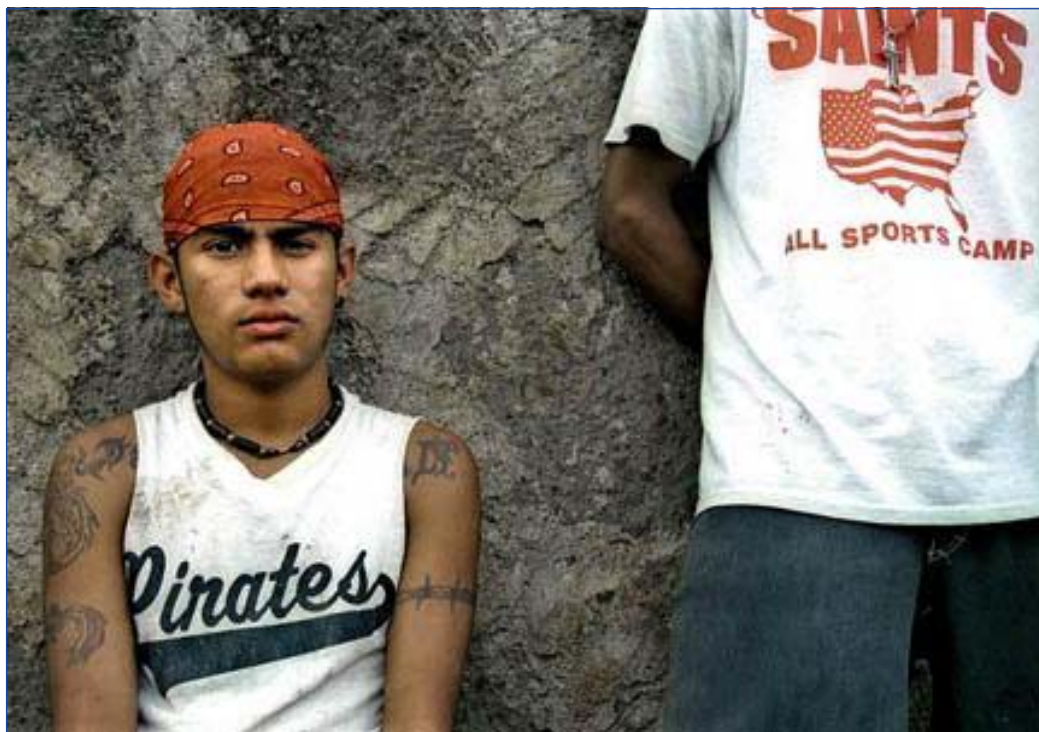
Renee Martin-Kratzer



Hyojin Kim



Ron Rodgers



Photojournalism student Danny Ghitis took this picture in Nicaragua during the 2004 Florida Fly-In program in Nicarajua.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Photojournalists participate in annual Hearst competition

Undergraduates **Danny Ghitis** and **Jessica Crossfield** are representing the College in the Hearst portrait/feature round with photos from the Florida Fly-Ins and local newspapers – *the Independent Florida Alligator* and the *Ocala Star-Banner*, respectively. View their entries at <http://www.jou.ufl.edu/people/faculty/jffreeman/Hearst2006PF-e.htm>.

The College's photography program is gearing up for the news/sports round.

Current and former photojournalism students recently won awards in the 60th annual College Photographer of the Year contest:

- **Daron Dean, JM 2004**, won a bronze award in General news.
- **David Zentz, MAMC 2005**, won an award of Excellence in Spot News.
- Ghitis won an award of Excellence in Pictorial.
- Ghitis, **Katie Reid, JM 2004**, and **Liza Shurik, JM 2005**, won a silver award in team multimedia.

In separate news, the Online News Association recently selected undergraduates **Latria Graham** and **Stacy Gimbel** as student newsroom staff.



Jessica Crossfield took this picture during the 2005 Florida Fly-In program in Belize.

CORRECTIONS

Mary Ann Ferguson, not **Linda Hon**,

has been recognized by the Institute for Public Relations as a faculty adviser for a winning master's



Mary Ann Ferguson

thesis (for the work of **Del Galloway, PR 1981, MAMC 1983**).

The *Journal of Communication Management* recently accepted "Relationship Maintenance Strategies on Fortune 500 Company Web Sites" by doctoral student **Eyun-Jung Ki** and Hon.

Doctoral student **Bill Renkus** and master's student **Danny Rigby** presented papers this month at the American Journalism Historians Association national conference in San Antonio.

Danny Shipka is a doctoral student.

CALENDAR

Dec. 1-2: Public Relations Advisory Council

Dec. 7: Classes end

Dec. 8-9: Reading Days

Dec. 9: Graduate faculty mtg., faculty mtg., annual holiday luncheon

Dec. 10-15: Exams

Dec. 17: Commencement

Dec. 19: Grades due

Dec. 26: Holiday

Jan. 2: Holiday

Jan. 6: Registration

Jan. 9: Classes begin

Jan. 9-12: Drop/add

PAPER TRAIL

Reid, Alexander analyze 9/11 effects

Amanda S. Reid and **Laurence B. Alexander** published “A Test Case for Newsgathering: The Effects of September 11, 2001 on the Changing Watchdog Role of the Press” in the fall issue of the *Loyola of Los Angeles Entertainment Law Review*.

Belio A. Martinez Jr. and **Spiro Kiouisis** recently published “A

Strategies: Theoretical Approach for Developing Effective Public Relations Media Empowering Citizens in Emerging Democracies” in *Studier i Politisk Kommunikation* (Political Communication Studies), a refereed journal in Sundsvall, Switzerland.

Marie Hardin, Julie Dodd and **Jean Chance** published “On Equal Footing? The Framing of Sexual Difference in Runner’s World,” in the fall edition of *Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal*. Dodd’s Sports Media class did

the coding for the project in spring 2002.

Alumni Graduate Fellow **Bumsub “Gabriel” Jin** presented “Expanded Predictors of a Blood Donation Intention and the Effect of Celebrity Identification on Blood Donation” earlier this month at the 2005 NCA in Boston.

Doctoral students **Amy Kristin Sanders, Courtney Barclay, PR 2002, MAMC 2003,** and **Abby Hendren** will present “Criminalizing Promises of Confidentiality: Answering Ethical Questions with a Legal Solution?” at the International Conference on Social Science Research in Orlando in December.

Sanders, a doctoral student in media law, will also participate in a panel discussion at the International Conference on Social Science Research and a Law Scholars Conference on the relationship between law and liberty. The panel, “The Conflict Between Politics, Entertainment and Science: The Mass Media’s Influence on Crime Policy,” will be held in Orlando in December, and the conference will be held in February in Washington.

UF’s *Journal of Law and Public Policy* has several staff members from the College: Joint JD/PhD student Barclay is assistant articles editor; master’s student **Drew Bagley, PR 2005,** who also has a bachelor’s in political science from UF, is production chair; and joint MAMC/JD student **Christina Locke,** who has a bachelor’s degree in English from UF, is assistant research editor.

GLOBAL GATORS



John Freeman took this photo at a dedication of a cultural center in Tisma, Nicaragua.

Freeman photographs volunteers in Nicaraguan village

Trees for Life, a Kansas-based international relief agency, sent **John Freeman** to photograph eight volunteers delivering books to children in Tisma, Nicaragua, last month.

“Our transportation to and from the rural town was in the back of pick-up trucks, driving along muddy and extremely bumpy dirt roads,” Freeman recalled. “The house I was assigned to had one faucet, with a hose running to the backyard for bathing and hand-washing laundry. There were no indoor toilets; each family had a wooden outhouse. Horses would ride along the main street as casually as people on bikes; there were few cars.

“The journey was eye-opening and humbling for me – to see so many friendly people who, on the surface, seemed to have so little by American standards.”



Public relations guru Harold Burson, receives the Northwestern Mutual Best Master's Thesis Award earlier this month on behalf of Yimin Wang, MAMC 2005, who works for Burson-Marsteller Beijing. Juan-Carlos Molleda served as Wang's thesis advisor. Joining them at The Yale Club in New York is Northwestern representative Ward White.

STUDENT SHOWCASE

Fly-In exhibit opens Dec. 6

The latest Florida Fly-In exhibit, "Belize in Words and Pictures," opens Dec. 6, 7 p.m.-9 p.m., at the Reitz Union.

"The students were engaged and productive," **John Kaplan** said, "yet they also enjoyed themselves; that's a challenging balance."

The students documented the Stann Creek district, along Belize's southern coast.

The exhibit runs through Jan.13. The online magazine, www.internationaljournalism.com, appears in January.

GET IN LINE

the open line seeks submissions

the open line is usually published on the Monday following a payday, except during summer and holidays. It can be accessed on the Web at www.jou.ufl.edu/pubs/openline/.

Deadline for submitting news is the Wednesday before the Monday of publication.

Boaz Dvir serves as editor, and **Olivia Jeffries** coordinates production.

Please send all news items to bdvir@jou.ufl.edu. Thank you.