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Pomp & circumstance

With a large crowd, the spring 2008 graduation day at the University of Minnesota—Duluth took place at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, site of the graduation ceremonies for the University of Minnesota—Twin Cities and the University of Minnesota-Duluth. The event was capped off by a grand finale featuring the Marching Band, the University of Minnesota Band, and the Minnesota Orchestra. The ceremony featured speeches by Administrators, faculty, and students, as well as a performance by the University of Minnesota Orchestra. The ceremony concluded with the presentation of diplomas and the conferring of degrees.

Awards & Honors

Taline Minassian (MPhil '01), recipient of the Outstanding Community Service Award from the University of Minnesota’s Division of Student Life, was honored for her contributions to the community and the University. Minassian is the founder and executive director of the Minnesota Human Rights Council. She has been a key force in the effort to create a new, comprehensive human rights organization in Minnesota, and has been instrumental in raising awareness and advocating for human rights issues. Minassian’s work has focused on issues related to human rights, social justice, and civil liberties. She has served as a consultant to numerous organizations and has been a guest speaker at numerous conferences and events. Minassian’s dedication to human rights and civil liberties has earned her numerous awards and recognition, including the University of Minnesota’s Outstanding Community Service Award. Her work has been instrumental in raising awareness and advocating for human rights issues in Minnesota and beyond, and has contributed to the development of a stronger, more just community.
This April, students graduating from the Humphrey School of Public Affairs will have the chance to make a difference in the world. In fact, they already are, as the Humphrey School has hosted the first-ever Global MDP Conference.

Humphrey School hosts first-ever global Master of Development Practice conference

The Humphrey School’s fledgling MDP program offers a unique, interdisciplinary blend of training in policy analysis and management, health, education, natural sciences, and social sciences. Students take classes across many academic units at the University, and graduates will have career choices in the governmental, nongovernmental, and private sectors. But one role of MDP is to be boundary spanners, as we learned from keynote speaker Kathleen Carvin: “We’re spanning the many disci- plines involved with international development and bridging the di- visions between the Humphrey School and the rest of the global and local problem, culture, philosophy, and community. This is done so efficiently and effectively, yet

with respect, is perhaps the greatest challenge. I believe that we are now one of the most diverse student communities in the nation. Our student-run and organized conference included networking ses- sions, time to delve into curriculum- based student experiences, and job opportuni- ties, and roundtables on development featuring representatives from the American Refugee Committee, Competent Technology Institute, Land O’Lakes, Inc., International Development, and the Center for Fiction of Toronto.”

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The Islamic Society of North America has Pakistan on the brink of a major war, but is it prepared to face the inevitable consequences? Rashid, who lives in Lahore, talked about his latest book, "Pakistan on the Brink: The Future of America’s Most Troublesome Ally in South Asia," at the Humphrey School. The event was free and open to the public.

Ornstein will argue that the political system faces what the authors call "asymmetric polarization" – the increasing divide between Republicans and Democrats – and that the only way to improve the quality of American democracy will be to "release the tension in our political system and in our society."

The presentation was sponsored by the Center for the Study of Politics and Governance and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota.

Johnson, who is a professor of international relations at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a member of the council on Foreign Relations, will host congressional scholars for a conversation on the implications of the Supreme Court’s decision on the Affordable Care Act. The presentation is free and open to the public.

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