Thursday, September 11, 2014  
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.  
**Breaking Issue**  
**ISIS in IRAQ: What are our Options?**  
**Joseph R. Núñez**, colonel, U.S. Army (retired)  
The brutal beheading of American journalist James Foley has dramatically raised the stakes regarding what policy the United States should pursue in reaction to the rise of ISIS in Iraq. Núñez, who served over five years in Iraq, will offer his assessment of the situation and discuss what he thinks is the best way forward.

Tuesday, September 9, 2014  
Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.  
**World War I: The Consequences**  
Panel Discussion  
**Kamaal Haque**, professor, Dickinson College  
**Craig Nation**, professor, U.S. Army War College  
**Michael Neiberg**, professor, U.S. Army War College  
**Karl Qualls**, professor, Dickinson College  
In recognition of the centennial anniversary of the beginning of World War I, this panel discussion will address the causes of this world-changing event from multiple and diverse perspectives in an effort to better understand the origins of international conflicts.

Tuesday, September 16, 2014  
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.  
**Buddhist Contributions to Climate Ethics**  
**Stephanie Kaza**, professor, University of Vermont  
This lecture will draw on Buddhist environmental thought to explore climate change and consumerism looking at human behavior and ethical choice.

Wednesday, September 17, 2014  
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.  
**Constitution Day Address**  
**Government Surveillance and the Bill of Rights**  
**Kate Martin**, director, Center for National Security Studies  
A former senior counter-terrorism official has said that existing surveillance capabilities are creating “the potential for a police state.” This lecture will address whether and how such capabilities can be reconciled with the Constitution’s prohibition against unreasonable searches and seizures, its protections for freedom of speech and religion, as well as the demands of an open government in a democracy.

Tuesday, September 30, 2014  
Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.  
**Marx in Soho by Howard Zinn**  
**Bob Weick**, actor and monologist featured as Karl Marx  
Karl Marx launches into a passionate, funny and moving defense of his life and political ideas in Howard Zinn’s brilliant play, *Marx in Soho*.

Wednesday, October 1, 2014  
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.  
**Inside the FBI’s Terror Factory**  
**Trevor Aaronson**, award-winning investigative journalist  
Aaronson, author of *The Terror Factory: Inside the FBI’s Manufactured War on Terrorism*, will explore how the FBI has built up a network of more 15,000 informants whose primary purpose is to infiltrate Muslim communities to create and facilitate phony terrorist plots so that the government can then claim victory in the War on Terror. A book sale and signing will follow the presentation.

Tuesday, October 7, 2014  
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.  
**Fighting Runaway Inequality: The Minimum Wage Controversy**  
**Mark Price**, labor economist, Keystone Research Center  
Through the lens of the debate over the minimum wage, Price will explore the connections between public policy, the social sciences and one of the most pressing social issues of our time, the rise of income inequality.
Thursday, October 9, 2014 ♦
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Do Non-Linguistic Creatures Have a Language of Thought?**
Susan Carey, professor, Harvard University
This lecture considers whether the minds of babies and nonhuman animals, on the one hand, and human adults, on the other, are fundamentally alike or radically different from each other.

Wednesday, October 15, 2014
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Regionalism in Pennsylvania: Is Bigger Always Better?**
Panel Discussion
Elam Herr, asst. exec. director, Penn State Assoc. of Twp. Supervisors
Ron Bailey, exec. director, Chester Co. Planning Comm.
Steve Kusheloff, manager, public information, SEDA-COG
Kirk Stoner (moderator), director of planning, Cumberland County
This program will provide an overview of how Pennsylvania developed its system of local government. Local officials will present stories of achievement and lessons learned from specific examples of regional cooperation to identify the principles that will be the foundation for future success.

Tuesday, October 28, 2014
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Dickinson Debates**
* In a Republic Does a Citizen Have a Duty to Vote?*
Participants:
Sarah Niebler, professor, Dickinson College
David O'Connell, professor, Dickinson College
Student Participants: To be announced
The 2014 elections will be held on November 4. Do American citizens have a duty to participate in this election? This debate will focus on whether there is such a duty from a moral, political, and legal perspective.

Thursday, October 30, 2014 ♦
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Communicative Intentions and Origins of Meaning**
Dorit Bar-On, professor, University of Connecticut
What separates human linguistic communication from all forms of nonhuman animal communication and how could it have evolved? I argue that focusing on the role of communicative intention renders the evolutionary emergence of language more puzzling than it needs to be.

Wednesday, November 5, 2014
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Venezuela: The Politics of Barricades**
Javier Corrales, professor, Amherst College
This lecture seeks to explain why Venezuela, the country that has experienced the most spectacular economic windfall in Latin America from 2003 to 2011, is today in one of the worst political crises in the region and one of the worst economic crises in the world. It confronts the question of how “new” is the “new Venezuela” after Hugo Chavez.

Thursday, November 6, 2014 ♦
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Why Language Matters for Theory of Mind**
Janet Astington, professor emerita, University of Toronto
Astington will argue that language is critical in the development of theory of mind, which underlies human social interaction and self-awareness.

Tuesday, November 18, 2014
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**3/11, Asbestos, and the Unmaking of Japan’s Modern World**
Brett Walker, professor, Montana State University
Walker explores the role asbestos has played in the construction and, more importantly, the destruction of Japan’s environment, with a focus on the natural and the unnatural disasters of the 3/11 disaster and the later clean up.

Thursday, November 20, 2014 ♦
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Linguistic Relativism: Language, Culture, and Thought**
John Baugh, professor, Washington University
This presentation draws upon evidence from linguistics, anthropology, and psychology to explore the ways in which human language and corresponding thought processes have been influenced by cultural circumstances.

Tuesday, December 2, 2014 *
Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
**Blindfolds Off: How Judges Decide?**
The Honorable John E. Jones III ’77, U.S. District Judge, Middle District of Pennsylvania
A conversation with Judge Jones, U.S. District judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania and a Dickinson trustee, about the nature of judging and the role that judges play in American political, social, cultural, and economic life. Amy Gaudion, Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, The Dickinson School of Law of Penn State University, and Harry Pohlman, professor of political science, Dickinson College, will participate in the discussion.