orbiting pulsar opened a new subfield of astrophysics in which the relativistic nature of gravity is tested through precise comparisons of "pulsar time" with atomic time here on earth. Among other results, the experiments have demonstrated the existence of gravitational waves, as predicted by Einstein's theory of gravity.

Monday, October 27
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Film showing, I Was Rap ed
Jennifer Baumgardner, award-winning filmmaker
The "I Was Rap ed" Project highlights the prevalence of rape in our culture and the silence and shame that surrounds it. The goal of this project is to add nuance to the cultural conversation about rape as well as give rape survivors a voice. In the film eight women and one man tell their rape stories.

Tuesday, October 28
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
What Voters Need to Know: Implications for International Policy
A panel of Dickinson College faculty will examine United States foreign relations to better understand the challenges Senator Obama or McCain will face as president. Student representatives from College Democrats and College Republicans will ask questions of the panelists prior to a general question and answer session.

Tuesday, November 11
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Election 2008: The Press and the Profundity of Race
Pamela Newkirk, associate professor of journalism, New York University
What was the role of race in media coverage of the 2008 presidential election, and how might it have shaped popular opinion or fueled racial divisions?

Thursday, October 30
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
What Voters Need to Know: Implications for Domestic Policy
A panel of Dickinson College professors will examine U.S. Domestic policy to better understand the challenges Senator Obama or McCain will face if elected. Student representatives from College Democrats and College Republicans will ask questions of the panelists prior to a general question and answer session.

Monday, November 24
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Human Rights in the Middle East
Anthony Bonanno, LL.M., Partner London office Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, '68, Metzger-Conway Fellow
Using Saudi Arabia as a case study, this talk will explore human rights in the Middle East from the perspective of the Muslim world and Sharia law. Particular attention will be paid to capital punishment, sexism, homophobia, immigration, divorce and inheritance.

Thursday, September 4
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Should Pennsylvania Legalize Marijuana?
Allen St. Pierre, executive director of NORML and the NORML Foundation
David Freed, Cumberland County District Attorney
Prof. Daniel Kenney, Dickinson College, moderator
Each year Pennsylvanians are jailed for possessing and using marijuana. Does this policy make any sense? What are the reasons for this policy? What are the reasons against it? Our panelists will debate these issues prior to a general question-and-answer period.

Tuesday, September 9
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:30 p.m.
Russian Resurgent? Crisis in the Caucasus
Russell Bova, Professor of Political Science and International Studies, Dickinson College
Andrew Wolff, Professor of Political Science and International Studies, Dickinson College
Craig Nation, Professor of Russian and Eurasian Studies, US Army War College
Elena Aysakova, Russian State University for the Humanities
This panel brings together experts on Russia, Eurasia, and US foreign policy to discuss the current crisis, the apparent resurgence of a more assertive Russia, and the implications for US foreign policy and US-Russian relations.

Wednesday, September 17
Anita Tuvin Schlecter Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.
Constitution Day Address
American Wars: Citizenship and Warming Responsibility in the Age of the Professional Army
Tom Gerety, New York University
School of Law, Collegiate Professor of law and humanities
Many young Americans are disengaged from politics and public service. This disengagement is particularly troublesome in terms of decisions to go to war with a professional army. It represents a serious moral and political crisis for our democracy.

Tuesday, September 21
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Keeping America Safe and Safeguarding American Values
Rear Admiral John Hutson, dean and president, Franklin Pierce Law Center
Lt. Col. V. Stuart Couch, U.S. Marine Corps
This panel will address the question of how we can fight terrorists and strengthen our security in ways that are strong and effective and consonant with our values and our Constitution.

Thursday, September 25
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Guantanamo and the Nation’s Narrative: From Enemy Combatants to Lawfare
Prof. Rick Wilson, Director, International Human Rights Law Clinic, American University, Washington College of Law
This presentation will explore the unique, complex and sometimes puzzling language and culture of the prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and its contribution to our understanding of war and the rule of law since it began operations in early 2002. This talk presents the perspective of a lawyer and law professor who has visited and worked with detainee clients at Guantanamo regularly since 2004.

Thursday, October 2
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Social Justice and Prosperity in a World City? Rethinking the ‘Flat World’ Thesis in Bangalore, India
Michael Goldman, Associate Professor, University of Minnesota
Are the bold new changes occurring in Bangalore, India improving the living conditions of the majority? Is the ‘Bangalore model’ -- solving 'Megacity'-problems with 'world-city' solutions -- helping to create sustainable and equitable cities in the global South?

Tuesday, October 7
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
LGBT Rights in Spain: Writing and Social Change
Isabel Franco, prize-winning lesbian novelist
What role can the writer play in bringing about social change? Franco, who grew up during the repressive dictatorship of Franco, addresses this question in the context of Spain’s gay and lesbian movement.

Thursday, October 9
Rector Science Complex, Stafford Lecture Hall, 7:00 p.m.
Tomorrow’s Web
Steve Brat, Chief Executive Officer of the World Wide Web Consortium
New technology standards will shortly be finalized for the World Wide Web. These standards will transform the Web as we know it, permitting widespread integration of data, across an expanding range of Web sites and devices, and an explosion in the number of Web site creators and consumers.

Wednesday, October 15
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Film showing, No! The Rape Documentary
Aishah Simmons, award-winning filmmaker
This groundbreaking documentary explores the international reality of rape and other forms of sexual assault through the first person testimonies, scholarship, spirituality, activism and cultural work of African Americans.

Thursday, October 16
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Same Dynamics, New Directions: Centering Race, Class and Gender in Transformative Education
David Stovall, assistant professor of policy studies, University of Illinois at Chicago
Why are so many teacher training programs still reluctant to confront the complexities of race, class, and gender in k-12 education? Stovall identifies a process that prepares teachers for explicit investigations of race, class, and gender. Colleges and universities should support this commitment to transformative education.

Tuesday, October 21
Anita Tuvin Schlecter Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
Joseph Priestley Award
Dr. Joseph Taylor
Binary Pulsars and Relativistic Gravity
Pulsars appear to be nature’s most precise clocks. Discovery of the first