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# Policy and progress in the Arctic: Essays by students in the Jackson School's International Policy Institute

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Graduate student fellows with the International Policy Institute in the University of Washington Jackson School of International Studies have begun publishing a 13-part series of blogs exploring aspects of the intergovernmental Arctic Council as a 21<sup>st</sup>-century institution.

The blog series began publication July 5 and will continue through Sept. 7 at the World Policy Institute's Arctic in Context website. The first of the student pieces, by Brandon Ray, has been published.

Kicking off the series was a piece by Nadine Fabbi, managing director of the UW Canadian Studies Center and lead for the Arctic Fellows Initiative in the Jackson School, with Jackson School lecturer Scott Montgomery and independent scholar Eric Finke, on "The Arctic Council: A Unique Institution in 21<sup>st</sup>-Century International Relations."

Essays by fellows in the International Policy Institute and their topics and dates are as follows.

July 6: "Is the Arctic Council Still a Visionary Leader?" by Brandon Ray

July 10: "Is the U.S. Ready for an Arctic Oil Spill?" by Valerie Cleland

July 17: "Bonanza Denied – the Double-Edged Sword of Arctic Development," by Michael Brown

July 24: "Protecting the Polar Seaways," by David Rivera

July 26: "The Ripple Effect — Downstream of the 66<sup>th</sup> Parallel," by Elena S. Bell

Aug. 2: "Breaking the Ice for Indigenous Voices on the World Stage," by Malina Dumas

Aug. 7: “No PAME No Gain for Indigenous Groups,” by Steven Fry

Aug. 9: “Ships and Ice Don’t Mix,” by Ian Scott Hanna

Aug. 16: “Stronger Together: Weaving Indigenous Knowledge and Western Science,” by Katie Aspen Gavenus

Aug. 21: “An Emerging Voice: The Arctic Council Could Lead in Right to Water,” by Rachel Freeman

Aug. 30: “#SomethingHasToBeSaid: Angry Inuk’s Direct Yet Gentle Crusade,” by Lucy Kruesel

Sept. 6: “Who Needs the Arctic Council Anyhow? Quebec’s Arctic Leadership,” by Amy M. Delo

Sept. 7: “Asian Tiger Meets the Polar Bear,” by Jay-Kwon Park

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