



The Hidden Transcript Magazine

Creating an Impact Through Publishing

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Outline



- 1) What is *The Hidden Transcript*?
- 2) Putting ideas into action
- 3) Publishing as a research tool
- 4) Looking forward

The Hidden Transcript



- *The Hidden Transcript* is a student-run publication for students that focuses on current events and international affairs.
- By drawing upon a range of academic backgrounds, *The Hidden Transcript* seeks to engage with a vast network of students from around the globe to create an accessible and analytical outlet where global issues can be explored and discussed.
- Designed to be a place for non-academic writing, where young students and researchers can share the topics that they are passionate about.
- A means to gain experience writing, editing and conducting individual research.

What's in a Name?



- Inspired by the work of acclaimed anthropologist James C. Scott
- Scott uses the term “public transcript” to describe the open, public interactions between dominators and oppressed and the term “hidden transcript” for the critique of power that goes on offstage, which power holders do not see or hear.
- In order to study the systems of domination, careful attention is paid to what lies beneath the surface of evident, public behavior.
- In public, those that are oppressed accept their domination, but they always question their domination offstage. On the event “the hidden transcript” becomes public, oppressed classes openly assume their speech, and become conscious of it.

The Origin Story



- Launched in the summer of 2011 in Vancouver, BC, Canada at Simon Fraser University
- Originally funded out of our own pocket with modest print-run of 100 copies
- First issue published in December 2011
- First issue quickly sold out and the magazine then received its initial funding
- Focus began to grow into print, web and multimedia

Where are we now?



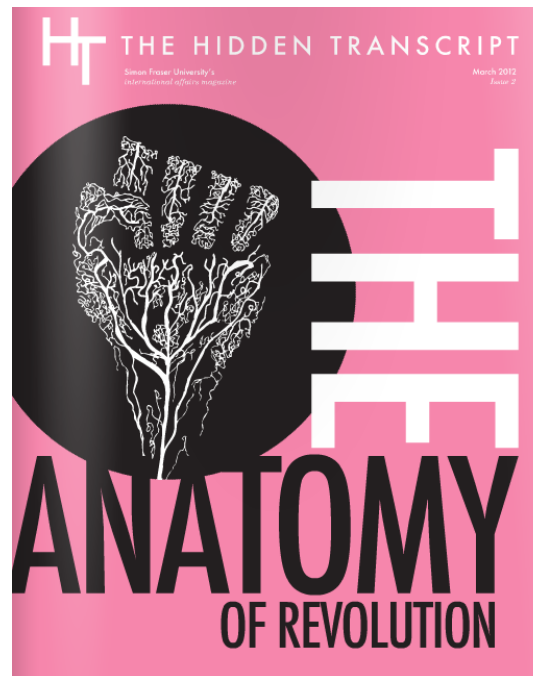
- Two issues already published with third being released on Monday
- Received contributions from four continents and over 12 countries
- Website has now received over 22 000 visitors and averages approximately 150 visitors per day
- Continuous growth: each month better than the last

Research Methods



- Allows for feedback through editing
- Opportunity to discuss research topics
- Collaboration leads to new and better ideas
- Opportunity to network and meet like-minded people
- Its fun!

Print/Electronic Issues



Online Columnists



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ABOUT

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Recent Elections Show Resurgence of Communism in the Czech Republic

Posted on November 23rd, by Lani Seelinger in [Featured](#), [Lani Seelinger](#), 0 Comments



When it comes to Communism, the Czech Republic has always been an interesting case. Czechoslovakia was the only country to actually vote their Communist party into power, which happened in 1948, to the cheers of much of the country. After the brutality of Stalinism had passed, the Prague Spring in 1968 again revived the country's idealism: it was a revolution that called not for the end of socialism but for "socialism

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Spotlight: Basilicas, Ivorians and the ICC

Posted on November 3rd, by Kaisa Hartikainen in [Featured](#), [Spotlight](#). 0 Comments



Yamoussoukro, Cote D'Ivoire. Kaisa Hartikainen photo.

The *Basilica of Our Lady of Peace of Yamoussoukro* is one of the most remarkable landmarks of Cote d'Ivoire. Built between 1985 and 1989 with a cost of over \$300 million, it attempted to replicate the Basilica of Saint Peter in Vatican City, as well as to memorialize President Félix Houphouët-Boigny. While this structure might be one of the key things that President Houphouët-Boigny is remembered for, President Laurent Gbagbo, another former Ivorian head of state, has a much grimmer legacy.

On Friday, the judges at the [International Criminal Court \(ICC\)](#) finally ruled that President Gbagbo is well enough to stand trial for war crimes related to the unrest that consumed Cote d'Ivoire after the 2010 presidential elections. As such, he will be the first former head of state to be brought before the ICC.

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Spotlight: Strikes, Europeans and Solidarity

Posted on November 21st, by Kaisa Hartikainen in [Featured](#), [Spotlight](#). 0 Comments



Madrid, Spain. Anne-Mari Alaspää photo.

This picture has been taken from last week's [general strike in Madrid](#). On November 14th, the city saw the temporary closure of hundreds of stores and services while thousands of citizens took to the streets to protest Spain's high unemployment and recent austerity measures. During this 24-hour strike over 140 people were arrested and several injured as a result of clashes with police.

According to a recent report, Spain's unemployment rate has hit the record-breaking **25 per cent**, meaning that over 5.8 million Spaniards are now without a job. Unemployment is especially bad among the youth. Out of the Euro countries only Greece has a higher unemployment rate, **25.4 per cent**, while the Euro-zone average remains at 11 per cent.

However, Spain was not the only European country to be hit by a strike last week. [Similar work stoppages](#) were also seen in Portugal and Greece, and smaller protests occurred in Belgium, Austria as part of a "European Day of Action and Solidarity". Considering that the economic crisis is far from being over in Europe, it is likely that similar protest and strikes will follow in the future.

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Weekly Roundup



Sunday Roundup: A Forgotten War, A Secretary of State, and An Embarrassment

Posted on November 25th, by Adam Kingsmith in [Featured](#), [Sunday Roundup](#). [0 Comments](#)



The National Post, [Stephen Harper awards Justin Bieber a Diamond Jubilee Medal](#)

This picture is not photoshopped, no matter how much I wish that it was. In case you missed it this week, in what can be nothing more than a feeble attempt to up his "cool" factor in the eyes of coming-of-age voters, Tory Prime Minister Stephen Harper awarded pop singer Justin Bieber with the Diamond Jubilee Medal for his contributions to Canada from abroad. If the old adage still holds true, then this picture would say a thousand words pertaining to the embarrassing decline in relevance of actual issues in politics today, and the rise of popular pandering and showmanship. O Canada indeed.

-Adam, Associate Editor

Foreign Policy Magazine, [That Other War](#)

While the majority of media attention focused on the conflict in Palestine, another conflict broke out which could be equally grave—if not more. On November 20th, the Congolese city of Goma fell to the M23 rebels. Despite the appearance of the conflict being domestic in nature, all of Africa's big regional players are involved through their proxies in this conflict, giving it an international dimension that could redraw the borders of Africa.

-Reid, Editor-in-Chief

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Looking Forward



- Always looking for more contributors (photos, art, web articles, issue articles) and regular columnists
- Growing the publication and getting more students involved

- Issue #4:
“The Reach of Empire”

Theme looking at different types and forms of empires, from classical empires to economic dogma

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