



### Alum Spotlight: George Coddling's Volunteer Career in International Arson Investigation

George A. Coddling, son of former International Affairs Director and CU professor George Coddling, Jr., has kept an interest in global issues in the family. Coddling, '84 alum of International Affairs and Political Science and '89 alum of the School of Law, has built a volunteer career beyond his current position in the Colorado Attorney General's Office.



A volunteer firefighter for 27 years, Coddling became interested in fire and arson investigation. He has investigated fires for his local fire department in Louisville and in Boulder County since 1998. Through his work, he became involved in the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI). IAAI has 8,300 members in 66 countries involved in the investigation of fires, including police and fire department members, scientists, engineers, attorneys, insurance personnel, and investigators. Currently the IAAI 1st Vice President, Coddling will become IAAI President for a year starting April 2016.

[Read more about Coddling and why he credits his time with IAFS and his study abroad program as helping his work](#)

### IAFS Student Explores the Languages of Europe

At an age when most children are just beginning to learn about the United States of America, Bre Bailey (IAFS '17) was already fascinated with many different countries around the world. The Colorado Springs native remembers watching the movie Atlantis: The Lost Empire as a child and becoming fascinated at the idea of



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researching and exploring new places. When she began college, Bailey pursued these global interests by declaring a major in International Affairs at CU-Boulder. “I never lost sight of my childhood dreams. I knew right from the start this was going to be the beginning of a lifelong journey, and I would have to work hard for

#### Join us on April 7th in Boulder

Please join us for the **International Affairs Spring Welcome Reception featuring counterterrorism expert Mark Fallon**. This is a wonderful opportunity to mingle with International Affairs alumni, friends of the program, and community members interested in global topics.

Thursday, April 7, 2016  
6:00 – 8:00 PM  
Koenig Alumni Center  
1202 University Avenue  
Boulder, CO 80309-0459

For complete details and to RSVP, please visit our [website](#) or email us at [iafs@colorado.edu](mailto:iafs@colorado.edu).

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#### Community Notes

Join the CU International Affairs Club for their spring community event on March 9th: [State of the Hemisphere:](#)

Bailey was awarded a Global Grant scholarship and secured a competitive internship for the fall 2015 semester in Brussels, Belgium. Maximizing this opportunity to be in Europe, she added on a summer 2015 internship in Lithuania. She spent the summer living and learning in the Baltics, interning as an English language camp counselor, and learning European history by exploring and visiting museums. One afternoon, she stumbled upon the Museum of Baltic Resistance in Latvia, and saw an image there that both puzzled and intrigued her.



*Bailey visited the Baltics and 20 other countries while studying abroad*

[Read more about Bailey's experiences in the Baltics and Belgium](#)

### [Professor Panel on Current Latin American Events.](#)

You're invited to a panel discussion on the [Trans-Pacific Partnership](#) at CU-Boulder on March 2nd, sponsored by the Center for Asian Studies and the International Affairs Program.

Please welcome our new joint faculty member with the Department of Women and Gender Studies, [Robert Wyrod.](#)

The 68th annual [Conference on World Affairs](#) will take place at CU-Boulder on April 4 - 8, 2016. All events are free and open to the public.

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## Counterterrorism Expert Mark Fallon on Campus April 7th

Mark Fallon joins the upcoming 68th [Conference on World Affairs](#) at CU-Boulder, and will also give a special presentation at the [International Affairs Spring Welcome Reception](#) on April 7th. Fallon is the Director of ClubFed, providing strategic consulting services on international security matters.

Fallon has been involved in some of the most significant counterterrorism operations in U.S. history, including the investigation of Sheik Omar Abdel Rahman and the attack on the USS Cole. After the attacks of 9/11, he was appointed as the Deputy Commander of a task force created to specifically investigate the al-Qaida terrorist network.

Fallon serves as the Chair of the U.S. Government's High Value Detainee Interrogation Group Research Committee and is the Vice Chair of the International Association of Chiefs of Police IMPACT Executive Committee. He has appeared as an international security commentator on networks that include the BBC, Al Jazeera, Chanel News Asia, Russia Today, CNN, Fox News, MSNBC and the Huffington Post.



[Read more about Fallon and his involvement with counterterrorism](#)

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