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Nature Vs. Nurture, Redux

Renegade sociologists say that genes can shape behavior after all, writes Christopher Shea.

Guang Go (*above*), a genetically minded sociologist at the U. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. (Photograph by Chris Hildreth)

A Man of Big Ideas

To convey the full measure of Samuel P. Huntington's career, one must look forward rather than back, writes Aaron L. Friedberg.

Globe Trotters

Sure, American students abroad are sometimes ignorant and naive. But they're also open and friendly, and that's a pretty good way to greet the world, writes Mark Edmundson.

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Brainstorm: Lives of the Mind

John L. Jackson Jr.

Calling Blagojevich's Bluff

If Blagojevich is trying to "play the race card" to save his political life, Burris might be dealing from the same deck.

Kevin Carey

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Shaking up the D.C. public schools.

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Colleges can no longer dodge the hard questions of academic productivity, writes William F. Massy.

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Higher education should accept budget challenges as opportunities to do what it should have done all along, says Ron Knecht.

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One Nation, Under Delusion

The acclaimed British journalist, biographer, and America watcher Godfrey Hodgson discusses his new book, *The Myth of American Exceptionalism*.

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Presumption and Proof

Conventional wisdom assigns faith to religion and reason to science. But a closer look reveals more subtle distinctions — and commonalities, writes Frederick Grinnell.

Where Is the Outrage Now?

In 2007, academics worldwide petitioned against a British boycott of Israeli universities. Why are they now silent at the bombing of Gaza's Islamic University, ask Neve Gordon and Jeff Halper.

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Naked Truths

Meenakshi Gigi Durham looks at a provocative new book that considers whether pornography is warping mainstream American sexuality.

Skin mags on campus, from top: H Bomb (Harvard), Sex Week at Yale: The Magazine (Yale), Boink (Boston U.), Vita Excolatur (U. of Chicago). (Photograph by Tony Cenicola, *The New York Times*)



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Authors explore the lives of sand, the seductions of slumming, and the legacy of Warren G. Harding.

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