

The Sixth Annual Presentation in the  
**JAY NATHAN, PH.D. VISITING SCHOLAR LECTURE SERIES**

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**Lithuania: Traditional & Modern Nation**

*A Panel Discussion & Reception to Follow*

**Tuesday, April 30, 2019 • 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Moskovitz Theater, The DeNaples Center  
The University of Scranton, Pennsylvania

*A reception will follow the performance.*

*The evening is free of charge and open to the public but reservations are encouraged.*

*Please register at [scranton.edu/JayNathanLecture](http://scranton.edu/JayNathanLecture) or call Kym Balthazar Fetsko at 570.941.7816.*

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**The Jay Nathan, Ph.D. Visiting Scholar Lecture Series** invites international scholars from the emerging democracies and the countries in political and economic transition to visit The University of Scranton to address issues that will enlighten and benefit students, faculty and community-at-large. Its purpose is to enrich the intellectual life or share a cultural exposition in the arts or music for both The University of Scranton and our Northeastern Pennsylvania community.

This annual lecture initiative will highlight the research and contributions of guest scholars of international repute who will visit the University to discuss timely and timeless subjects. While visiting campus, scholars will deliver presentations on topics of interest to the academic community and meet informally with attendees, students and faculty.

# Lithuania

## Traditional & Modern Nation

HISTORY.  
CULTURE.  
ECONOMY.

*A Panel Discussion with a Reception to Follow*



### AMBASSADOR ROLANDAS KRIŠČIŪNAS

Rolandas Kriščiūnas assumed his role as Lithuania's ambassador to the United States on Aug. 3, 2015.

He attended college at Vytautas Didysis University in Kaunas, Lithuania, earning a bachelor's degree in business informatics in 1993. Kriščiūnas joined his country's Ministry of Foreign Affairs shortly thereafter and

was a third secretary in the Economic Department's Economic Analysis Division. The following year, he took time out to go to the United States and study economics at Ohio State University. He graduated with a master's degree from there in 1996. He also completed European Union studies at the Clingendael Institute of International Relations at The Hague, The Netherlands.

His first Washington assignment came in 1998, when he was stationed at his country's embassy as a first secretary. Kriščiūnas returned to Lithuania in 2001, but this time to the Finance Ministry, where he was the director of the European Union Program Management Department. In 2004, he was named an undersecretary of finance. In 2008, toward the end of his tenure at that post, he completed a management studies program at The Swedish Institute in Stockholm. The following year he was named vice minister at the Finance Ministry. He returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2012 as a vice minister, and remained in that job until being posted to Washington.

Kriščiūnas is married; he and his wife Živilė Kriščiūnienė have a son, Julius Herkus. Kriščiūnas speaks Lithuanian, Russian, English and French.



**TADAS KUBILIUS** is a career diplomat currently working at the Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania to the U.S. Prior to the current position of Congressional Liaison Officer, Mr. Kubilius served as a desk officer of the United States at NATO, USA and Canada division of Transatlantic Cooperation and

Security Policy Department at Lithuanian MFA. Mr. Kubilius also served as a Consul at Lithuanian Embassy in Dublin, worked as a desk officer of Russian Federation at Lithuanian MFA and an assistant to the Consul General of Lithuania in Chicago. Mr. Kubilius holds a B.A. from DePaul University in Chicago, and an M.A. from Vilnius University.



**DR. JAY NATHAN**, benefactor, and a retired tenured professor of The University of Scranton. Author, past-president of the Global Awareness Society International, a life-time member of the Fulbright Alumni Association, member of the 1946 Fulbright Society, and a board member.

Received a grant from the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), which provided an opportunity to serve as a visiting professor at the Vilnius University, Lithuania.

