Preliminary Program

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Welcome, From SPSA President Elect Kirk A. Randazzo

Welcome to the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, where research and scholarship meet southern hospitality. Our conference serves multiple purposes: advancing research on political challenges across numerous topics and disciplines, fostering professional connections among participants, and developing standards of excellence among scholars and practitioners.

The Southern Political Science Association is an organization with strong values of responsibility and integrity. We pride ourselves on combining rigorous academic discourse with warm southern hospitality. Our nightly receptions offer valuable opportunities to network with colleagues, share ideas, and build lasting professional relationships.

We hope your experience here is both intellectually stimulating and personally enjoyable. Please take some time to explore New Orleans, attend panel sessions, and make the most of your stay. Enjoy Southern's Hospitality!

Kirk A. Randazzo
SPSA President Elect

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Wednesday
8:00am-11:55pm
Fulton - 3rd Floor

AV Group Storage and Office

Meetings

1100

Wednesday
8:00am-6:00pm
Windsor - 3rd Floor

SPSA Office Wednesday

Meetings

1400

Wednesday
12:00pm-5:00pm
3rd Floor Registration

Registration - Wednesday

Meetings

2900

AV Group Thursday

Thursday
12:00am-11:55pm
Fulton - 3rd Floor

Meetings

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Registration - Thursday

Thursday
7:00am-5:00pm
3rd Floor
Registration

Meetings

2100

Lactation Room - Thursday

Thursday
7:30am-6:30pm
Warwick - 3rd Floor

Meetings

Key entry only. Come to the SPSA Office for assistance accessing the room.

2100

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Bridge - Riverside Building

Comparative Authoritarianism, Propaganda, and Political Legitimacy

Undergraduate Research

Chair
Adrien Halliez, Drake University

Participants
Forging Volksgemeinschaft: Industrial and Technological Imagery in Nazi Propaganda Posters
Aiden Robert Martin, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Informal Jubao (Reporting) in Contemporary China: Navigating the Complexities of State Control and Public Dissent
Chelsea Wang, University of Toronto
Right-wing Politics and Reframing Legitimacy
Samuel Edward VandenBerge, Tennessee Technological University
"The Confederate Flag in Comparative Politics"
Darcy Anne Phillips, Wofford College
Trust and Political Engagement among Generation Z: A Comparative Study of Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan (2010–2025)
Shivani Vakharia, Student

Discussant
Adrien Halliez, Drake University

2100

Authoritarian Strategies for Repression and Control

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
Ebenezer Oluwaseun Makinde, Tulane University

Participants
Killing Comrades: Factionally Targeted Purges and Control Over the Communist Red Army in China
Xingchen Lan, New York University
Bokai Qi, New York University
Protectors of the Party: Single-Party Dominance and the Political Logic of Police Repression in Post-Apartheid South Africa
Winston Ardoin, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Signals of Alignment: Party Building, Government Support, and Financial Efficiency in China's Charities
Lin Song, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen
From Boardrooms to Barracks: Privatizing Military Businesses in Argentina and Indonesia
Prajakta Gupte, University of Florida
Under what conditions does public support for strongman rule increase in African countries?
Toyosi R Ajibade, University of Central Florida
David Akindoyin, Florida State University

Discussant
Xingchen Lan, New York University

2100

Attitudes about Race and Immigration

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Jesse Hessler Rhodes, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Participants
Geographic Framing and Immigration Attitudes: How Local Versus National Perspectives Shape Public Opinion
Megan Dias, Cornell University
Connor William Dye, University of Texas at San Antonio
Immigrants, Taxes, and Health Care: Does Correcting Misinformation Increase Public Support for Expanding Access to Health Insurance?
Madeline Sawyer, Harvard University
Benjamin Carter, University of Alabama
Leading or following? Presidential rhetoric on immigration, public opinion, and partisan politics strategy
Farzana Zinnat, Auburn University
Racial Attitudes Effect on Vote Choice
George D Quinn, Rutgers University
Zachary T Winograd, University of Michigan
Racial Attitudes, Elite Discourse, and Party Polarization in Shaping U.S. Immigration Opinions
Cindy Osei Agyemang, West Virginia University
The Spread of Conspiracy Narratives among the 45+ Generation: Causes, Risk Factors, and Prevention
Karin Liebhart, University of Vienna

Discussant
Angel Saavedra Cisneros, Bowdoin College

2100

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #7: Autocratic Legislatures

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Eddy Malesky, Duke University

Participants
Assembly dissolution and snap elections in authoritarian regimes: Evidence from the Kuwait National Assembly
Erin York, Vanderbilt University
Daniel L Tavana, Penn State
Opposition defections and autocratic control: Evidence from Cambodia
Oren Samet, Berkeley
Soksamphoas Im, Stanford University
Lucy Right, Yale University

Discussants
Eddy Malesky, Duke University
Anne Meng, University of Virginia

A panel discussing autocratic legislatures.

2100

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

CwC #8: Political and Human Behavior in Crises

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Ashley Ross, Texas A&M University at Galveston

Participants
When the Tsunami Comes at Night: Environmental and Social Predictors of Evacuation Behavior
Tristan Wu, University of North Texas
Alex Greer, University at Albany
Yuki Li, Skidmore College
Hideyuki Shiroshita, Kansai University
No relief: Why do aid - dependent states fail to seek humanitarian aid?
Allison Grossman, Tulane University
Windfall or Washout? Disaster Relief, Corruption, & Candidate Quality in Local Governments
Gavin Kiger, Emory University
A Model of Culpability and Politician's Crisis Response: Over - reaction and Under - reaction
Aaron Du, Washington University in St. Louis
Storms and Ballots: The Electoral Consequences of Tropical Cyclones in Malawi
Jack Fernandes, Ohio State University

Discussant
Courtney Page-Tan, Indiana University Indianapolis

This panel explores how political actors and the public make calculated decisions during disasters — not necessarily to optimize relief or resilience. These papers demonstrate how political actors often seek to manage perceptions, avoid blame, or gain political advantage during and after disaster while members of the public take cues from these political reactions.

2100

CwC #1: Election Data, Methods, and Policy

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Joshua Ferrer, American University

Participants
Using Large Language Models for Election Data Processing: A Case Study from OpenElections
Derek Willis, OpenElections
Overview of Ballot Data Availability and Quality Over the Past 10 Years
Natalie Wingard, The Center for Tech and Civic Life
VREAD+: State Election Laws, 1972 - 2020: Documentation and Validity
Jan Leighley, National Science Foundation
Ryan Moore, American University
Interest Groups, Election Officials, and the Multiple Streams of State Election Policy
Joseph Loffredo, MIT

Discussant
Paul Gronke, Reed College

A panel discussing election data, methods, and policy.

2100

Alliances

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
David Siroky, University of Florida

Participants
Arming Authoritarianism: How U.S. Arms Transfers Enhances Egypt's Internal Coercive Capacity From 2013
Minyi Jiang, American University in Cairo
Between Sovereignty and Submission: Why Authoritarian Regimes Align with Great Powers
Shaarif Sameer, University of Utah
Standing with Israel? U.S. Foreign Policy and the Security Trilemma in the Middle East
Albert Wolf, Habib
Training Tactics: A Global Database of U.S. Foreign Military Training (2000–2019)
Bailey Nicole Sellers, Flagler College

Discussants
David Siroky, University of Florida
Valery Dzutsati, Augusta University

2100

Systemic Racism, Representation and their Manifestations, Past and Present

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Durham - 3rd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Andra Gillespie, Emory University

Participants
Connectivity and Contention: How Broadband Access Shapes Racial Attitudes
Marc Etter, New York University
Bryant James Moy, New York University
Firm diversity and social corporate political activity
Ananya Hariharan, UCLA
Systemic Racism Vs. Black Americans In the South
McKenzie Mariah Hill, Student
Who Speaks for Sovereignty? Messenger Effects on the McGirt v. Oklahoma Decision
Elise Blasingame, Oxford College of Emory University

Discussant
Andra Gillespie, Emory University

2100

AI, LLMs, and Big Data: Advances and Applications

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Political Methodology

Chair
Naim Bro, Adolfo Ibanez University

Participants
A Review of Information Criteria and a New Information Criterion for Machine Learning with Big Data}
Jeff Gill, American. University
Xinyuan Yang, American University
From Metrics to Oversight: A Unified Pipeline for Generative AI Evaluation
Hyein Ko, Case Western Reserve University
Yuehong Cassandra Tai, Pennsylvania State University
Nora Webb Williams, Meta
Digital Twins in Congress: Using Large Language Models to Predict Legislative Votes in Chile
Naim Bro, Adolfo Ibanez University
Andres Abeliuk, University of Chile
Bosley Mitchell, National Center for Artificial Intelligence (CENIA)
Sergio Toro, Universidad Mayor
Juan Pablo Luna, McGill University
Benjamin Palacios, Adolfo Ibanez University

Discussants
Naim Bro, Adolfo Ibanez University
Yuehong Cassandra Tai, Pennsylvania State University

2100

Human Rights Compliance and Avoidance

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Human Rights

Chair
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso

Participants

National Prevention Mechanism Design Choices and Human Rights Treaty Compliance
Dagmar Heintze, The University of Texas at Dallas

Autocratic time horizons and human rights treaty engagement
Cody Eldredge, Oakland University
Megan Shannon, University of Colorado Boulder
Kelebogile Zvobgo, William and Mary

Authoritarian Legalism and Strategies of Repression
Wonmin Hong, Louisiana State University

Does Race Affect Judicial-State Cooperation? Examining the Effects of Intersectionality of Race and Asylum in ECtHR Decisions on European Union Asylum Policy
Therese Nicole Franklin, USC

After the Pressure: When Do Civil and Political Rights Improve After Sanctions Are Lifted?
Dongan Tan, Texas Tech University
Hoan La, Texas Tech University

From Allies to Neighbors: Resettlement Outcomes for Afghan Allies across U.S. Visa Pathways
Narayani Sritharan, William & Mary

Discussant
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso

2100

Regulation and the Environment: Gaining New Imperatives and Losing Old Perspectives

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Environmental Politics and Policy

Participants

Bridging Political Climate Concern and Experience: Understanding Divergent Pathways to Climate Policy Support
Yoonyoung Cho, Georgia State University

Power and Politics in Climate Adaptation: Authority, Knowledge, and Resource Inequality in Nepal's Multi-level Governance
Suman Acharya, School of Politics, Security, and International Affairs (SPSIA), University of Central Florida

Screening for Justice
David Konisky, SPEA Indiana University
Christopher Michael Reenock, Florida State University
James Stewart, Florida State University

Stakeholder Dynamics and Low Carbon Technologies in Japan
Pinar Temocin, University of Tokyo

From Peace to Policy: How Resource Provisions in Peace Agreements Drive Climate Legislation in Post-Conflict Societies
Elisa D'Amico, University College Dublin
Tahlia Mullen, World Bank

Democracy and Environmental Performance: A Cross-National Study
Juheon Lee, Midwestern State University

The nature of environmental and energy regulation is changing around the world and within the United States. Changes to regulation involve a transformation in imperatives and process under regulatory policy, including changes with respect to how contracts (and grievances) are settled under regulation. These papers address ongoing changes to regulation and the existing contract between regulators, regulated entities, and the public.

2100

Institutions, Rights, and Social Conflict in American Political Development

Thursday
8:00am-9:15am
Parish - 3rd Floor

American Political Development

Chair
Ayana Best, Howard University

Participants
Counter-Culture Education: The Origins and Consequences of the Localized American Education System
Amanda S Chen, Cornell University
Dues and Degrees: Graduate Student Unionism in the Development of American Labor Politics.
Tessa Barber, University of South Florida
Prejudice Guns: The affects of co-ethnic bias on the support of the Second Amendment amongst southern Americans.
Brittany Pryor Jones, UCLA
Reimagining Public Safety
Rebecca Urkov Thorpe, University of Washington

Discussant
Ayana Best, Howard University

2100

Thursday
8:00am-6:00pm
Windsor - 3rd Floor

SPSA Office Thursday

Meetings

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Thursday
8:30am-11:00am
River Room - Riverside Building

Executive Council Meeting I

Meetings

2200

Thursday
9:00am-4:00pm
3rd Floor Breezeway

Exhibit Area - Thursday

Meetings

2200

Democratic Development, Civic Engagement, and Education

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Bridge - Riverside Building

Undergraduate Research

Chair
Clarissa Peterson, The University of the South

Participants
Examining the Role of Civic Education in Promoting Civil Discourse and Sustaining Democracy
Charles Richard Benfanti, Christopher Newport University
From The Recording Booth To The Voting Booth: How Music Impacts The Vote
Gabrielle Olivia-Rae Hoskins, North Carolina A&T State University
The great divide in American politics and the rise of the independent party
Ethan Sedlak, University of Central Florida

Discussant
Clarissa Peterson, The University of the South

2200

Democratic Transitions

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
Michael Touchton, University of Miami

Participants
Democratic Resilience: Subnational backstop for Well-being in Brazil
Michael Touchton, University of Miami
Generational Gaps and Populist Horizons: Rethinking Democracy in Africa's Youth-Majority Societies
Angela Danso Gyane, University of Missouri-Columbia
The Memory of Violence that Sustains Democracy: Evidence from the Gwangju 5.18 in South Korea
Bonhoon Koo, University of Houston
Global Democratic Recession: Social and Political factors behind Pakistan's struggle for Consolidation
Rabia Sadiq, Georgia State University
The Impact of External Intervention on the Failure of Consolidation of Democracy in Afghanistan
Homayun Arian, Western Michigan University

Discussant
Lynn M. Maurer, Lamar University

2200

Economic Voting

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Emily Anne West, Assistant Professor, University of Pittsburgh

Participants

Economic Insecurity and Presidential Approval in Uncertain Times: A View from Census PULSE
Ian Anson, UMBC
Timothy Hellwig, University at Buffalo

How Does Exposure to Economic Difficulties During Formative Years Influence Late-Life Economic Attitudes?
YANG SONG, The Penn State University

In Search of the Party of the People: Vanishing Class-based Party Images in American Politics
Stephen Nicholson, University of Georgia
Joseph Ornstein, University of Georgia
Gary M Segura, University of California, Los Angeles
Andrew Stone, University of Georgia

America First, Myself Second? A Survey Experiment on Partisan Willingness to Accept Price Hikes
Adrien Halliez, Drake University

Discussant
David Macdonald, University of Florida

2200

KiND WORKSHOP: Designing AI-Assisted Qualitative Research Workflows with Dr. Trena M. Paulus

Thursday
9:30am-1:45pm
Churchill A1 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

2200

KiND WORKSHOP: Revision: Constructive Approaches for Authors and Reviewers with Dr. Diana Gustafson

Thursday
9:30am-1:45pm
Churchill A2 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

2200

CwC #7: Propaganda and Foreign Influence

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair

Jennifer Pan, Stanford University

Participants

Transnational propaganda and ethnic polarization: Experimental evidence from Malaysia
Tony Yang, Emory University

Relationship with China, news about China
Ji Yeon Hong, University of Michigan
Yusaku Horiuchi, Florida State University
Xinzhuo Huang, HKUST

Propaganda is already influencing large language models: Evidence from training data, audits, and real-world usage
Hannah Waight, University of Oregon
Eddie Yang, Purdue University
Yin Yuan, University of California San Diego
Solomon Messing, New York University
Margaret Roberts, University of California San Diego
Brandon Stewart, Princeton University
Joshua A. Tucker, New York University

Discussants

Jennifer Pan, Stanford University
Xu Xu, Princeton University

A panel discussing propaganda and foreign influence.

2200

CwC #8: Partisanship and Political Trust: Factors Shaping and Shaped by Crises

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Gina Yannitell Reinhardt, University of Essex

Participants

How psychological distance shapes Americans' climate change preferences: A conjoint analysis
Wei Wang, University of Pennsylvania
Jing Ling Tan, Harvard University
Wei-Ting Tsai, National Cheng Kung University

Trust and Taxes: A Citizen Experiment on the Effect of Trust and Race on t he Public's Willingness to Pay
Clinton R. McNair, Rutgers University- Camden
Jeremiah Muhammad, University of Tennessee

Who Should Be Responsible for Emergency Response? Examining Trust, Civic Engagement, and Level of Government Preferences
Robert Hines, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Colt Jensen, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
Suzanne Leland, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Jaclyn Piatak, Professor

The Effects of the Ashwin 2081 Floods on Nepali Political Trust
Zlatin Mitkov, North Carolina State University
Konstantin Ash, Bryn Mawr College
Michael Yekple, Bowdoin College

Discussants
Lauren Clay, University of Maryland Baltimore County
Tanya Buhler Corbin, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Ashley Ross, Texas A&M University at Galveston

This panel explores how individual factors such as partisanship, social identies, emotional orientation, and political trust influence policy preferences and information processing. Papers on this panel draw on surveys and survey experiments to understand public preferences in various contexts.

2200

CwC #3: Authors Meet Critics: "The Efficacy of Judicial Review"

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Jeff Staton, Emory University

Participant

The Efficacy of Judicial Review
Amanda Driscoll, Florida State University
Jay Krehbiel, University at Buffalo
Michael J Nelson, Penn State

Discussants
Lydia Tiede, University of Houston
Eileen Braman, Indiana University
Sara Benesh, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee

A panel discussing "The Efficacy of Judicial Review"

2200

CwC #1: Voter Behavior and Partisanship

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Jill R Laufer, UC Center Sacramento (UC Davis)

Participants
Revisiting the Election Denier Penalty
Kevin Morris, Brennan Center for Justice
Arlyss Herzig, Brennan Center for Justice
Michael G. Miller, Barnard College
Protest Voting in the 2024 Presidential Primaries
Charles Stewart III, MIT
Ning Soong, MIT
Democracy on the Front Pages: Introducing the Election Administration Media Dashboard
Liz Stark, University of Pennsylvania

Discussant
Christopher B. Mann, Skidmore College

A panel discussing voter behavior and partisanship.

2200

Race and the Politics of Education

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Durham - 3rd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Gregg Johnson, Valparaiso University

Participants
Affirmative Action's Reversal: The Long-Term Effects on Higher Education for Black and Hispanic Americans
Donna L Taylor, University of Birmingham, UK
Findings from the Southwest Time Sharing Survey of Hispanic Serving Institutions
Michelangelo Landgrave, CU Boulder
Matt Lamb, Texas Tech University
Melissa Baker, UT El Paso
Homeschooling as Racial Retreat: The Impact of School and Leadership Diversity
Maranda Leigh Joyce, Rice University
The Effects of Ethnic Diversity, Polarization, and Greek Life on University Hate Crime Rates
Adam Rutkowski, Troy University
Brandon Stewart, Troy University

Discussant
Gregg Johnson, Valparaiso University

2200

Women and Electoral Representation: from participation to polarization

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Anna Mahoney, Dartmouth College

Participants
Does Women's Representation Pay? Candidate Placement and Party Performance
Iris Acquarone, Arizona State University
Alba Huidobro, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Who Governs Matters: Women's Representation and State Repression
Sanjida Mehrin, Louisiana State University
Women in the Chamber: The Evolution of Women's Representation in American State Legislatures
Emma Schroeder, University of Notre Dame
Mirya Holman, University of Houston
Michael Patrick Olson, Washington University in St. Louis
Christina Wolbrecht, University of Notre Dame
Trust Recovery and Leadership Preferences During Democratic Crises
Alexis Jang, Washington University in St. Louis
Diana O'Brien, Washington University in St. Louis

Discussant
Murat Abus, Syracuse University

2200

Human Rights Philosophy and Framing

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Human Rights

Chair
Anjali Mehta, What Is the Power of We (Nonprofit)

Participants
INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM & PHILOSOPHY LEADING TOWARDS VIRTUOUS SOCIETY: Human Rights Perspective
Pranjal Kumar Mishra, Dr B R Ambedkar University,Delhi
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
'It's Alive!': Considering the Embodied Monstrous Self in International Politics
Emrys P McGovern, Georgia State University
Chinese Humanitarian Intervention in Public Memory-Divergent Recognitions and the Instability of the Humanitarian Framework
Boyang Zhang, The London School of Economics and Political Science
An Insight into the 75th Year of India's Constitutional Journey and Gandhi's Legacy from South Africa to India: A Human Rights Perspective
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
Vaishali Bhandari, New York Film Academy
Shreya I Ishita, MIT, New York, USA
Physical Accessibility for Disabled Students at New Mexico Highlands University: A case study
Francis K Boadu, New Mexico Highlands University

Discussant
Courtney Harris, University of Louisiana Monroe

2200

Presidential Power and the Crisis State

Thursday
9:30am-10:45am
Parish - 3rd Floor

American Political Development

Chair
Savannah Eccles Johnston, Utah Valley University

Participants
Kill the Agency, Keep the Mission: Adaptive Power in the U.S Crisis State
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago
"The Civil Rights Action is in the Executive Branch": Reconsidering Nixon's Administrative Presidency
John Dearborn, Vanderbilt University
The 'Movement of a People': Regime Legitimacy and Presidential Rhetoric on the Founding, 1789-2024
Stephanie Wise, Central College
Giving Up Control: The Rise of Presidential Primaries
Boris Heersink, Fordham University

Discussant
Savannah Eccles Johnston, Utah Valley University

2300

Autocratization and Democratic Backsliding

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Alexei Zakharov, University of Chicago

Participants
Priming Politics and Threat: Authoritarian Values Strength in Latin America
Robert Vidigal, Vanderbilt University
Andrew Engelhardt, Stony Brook University
Why do Some Democracies Backslide more than Others? Explaining Divergence on Democratic Backsliding in Post-Communist Europe through Behavioral Approach
Yongsu Cho, Seoul National University
Women Leaders and Autocratization
Christopher Akor, The University of Alabama
Prince Tetteh, University of Alabama
Authoritarian Durability and the Limits of Political Exposure: Insights from Chinese International Students
Muyao Hang, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

Discussant
Minh Duc Trinh, The University of Texas at Austin

2300

Political Institutions, Law, and Governance

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Undergraduate Research

Chair
Emmitt Y Riley, University of the south

Participants

Bill Severity and Passage Behavior of Nullification Legislation in State Legislatures
Jesse Driese, Saint Louis University

Improving Legal Understanding and Resource Access for Foster Youth
Sarah Charrier, University of Louisiana Monroe
Courtney Harris, University of Louisiana Monroe

Machine Learning-Assisted Sentiment Analysis of Testimony of the Ohio Legislature's 136th General Assembly
Gabriel Adam Mott, Ohio Northern University

The Integration of U.S Public Schools: Did They Truly Integrate?
Jamylah Deon Sykes, North Carolina A & T student

Discussant
Emmitt Y Riley, University of the south

2300

Roundtable: Black Women in Politics

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
Angela Lewis-Maddox, University of Alabama, Birmingham

Discussants
Mayor Sharon Broome, Baton Rouge
Judge Nakisha Ervin-Knott, Louisiana Court of Appeal
Lisa Diggs, 2nd City Clerk of Court
Mea Boykins, University of the West Indies
Cherie Teamer, Esq, Davis, Johnson, & Teamer

2300

Attitudes about Welfare and Redistribution

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Morgan Lowder, East Tennessee State University

Participants
Paths to the Immigrationalization of Welfare Attitudes: Immigration and Welfare Attitudes in 21 European Countries
Woong Kwon, The University of Texas at Austin
Shared Burden or Personal Duty? Public Views on Paying for Medical Care
Drew Michael Gaither, Kennesaw State University
The Welfare State and Foreign Aid: Solidarity, Economic Security, and Citizen Support
Kathleen Clare Weaver, Tulane University
When Welfare Bites Back: Consequences of State Intervention on the Values and Attitudes of Children
Claudia Looney Miner, Cornell University

Discussants
Dot Sawler, University of Rochester
Megan Dias, Cornell University

2300

CwC #7: Political Economy of Autocracy

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Holger Kern, Florida State University

Participants
Social mobility, authoritarian regime survival, and democratization
Christian Houle, Michigan State University
Demand for decentralization? Experimental evidence from public and political elites in Uzbekistan
Khasan Redjaboev, Wisconsin-Madison
Democracy unleashed: Eligibility, selection, and redistribution in Argentina
Sebastian Cortesi, Johns Hopkins University

Discussants
Holger Kern, Florida State University
Ora John Reuter, University of Wisconsin

A panel discussing political economy of autocracy

2300

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

CwC #8: Effectiveness and Implementation of Climate Policy and Plans

Conference Within A Conference

Chair

Gina Yannitell Reinhardt, University of Essex

Participants

Climate Resilience in Kerala: Evaluating the Effectiveness of Environmental Laws and Policies
Shameem Chunda Chalil, KL University, Andra Pradesh, India
P. V. Anoop, University of Calicut, Kerala, India
Aisha Ibrahim Mohammed, Cochin University of Science and Technology

Evaluating Land Use Change and Flood - Risk Hotspots in Floodplains of Southeastern Florida (2011 – 2021)
Chandra Hada, Texas A&M University
Samuel Brody, Texas A&M University at Galveston

Net Zero at the Local Level: What Can UK Marine Planning Tell Us About the Politics of Local Climate Adaptation?
Gina Yannitell Reinhardt, University of Essex
Pat Danahey Janin, Science Po

Deregulation by Disaster: Emergency Exemptions of Environmental Law
Victor Yuhang Wu, Stanford University

Photovoice Methodology in Resilience Studies: A Systematic Review
Courtney Page-Tan, Indiana University Indianapolis
Helen Mckinney, Indiana University Indianapolis

Discussants

Allison Grossman, Tulane University
Elisa D'Amico, University College Dublin

This panel examines implementation of climate policys and plans, highlighting the gaps between institutional outputs and outcomes on the ground. Papers on this panel primarily draw on policy documents and institutional analysis to examine the effectiveness of climate policy in various substantive and national contexts.

2300

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #3: Support for Courts

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Amanda Driscoll, Florida State University

Participants
Supreme Court Decisions, Public Engagement, and Court Support
Joshua Boston, Bowling Green State University
Chris Krewson, Brigham Young University
Beyond the Battery: What Americans Really Think About Supreme Court Legitimacy
Taraleigh Davis, Bradley University
Sara Benesh, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee
Symbolic Ideology, Policy Views, and Supreme Court Behavior
Albert Rivero, University of Virginia
Emotional Responses to Supreme Court Decisions and their Impact on Court Approval
Nathan Carrington, Saint Louis University
Shana Kushner Gadarian, Syracuse University
Bethany Albertson, University of Texas at Austin
Due Diligence? How the Nuclear Option Transformed Judicial Vetting
Morrgan Herlihy, Penn State University

Discussants
Logan Strother, Purdue University
Jonathan King, University of Georgia

A panel discussing support for courts.

2300

CwC #10: Rethinking Migration Data and Concepts

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Beth Elise Whitaker, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Participants
What Is a Route? Conceptual Ambiguities and Institutional Uses in Migration Studies
Naida Softic, Loyola University Chicago
Overcoming Methodological Nationalism in Migration Theory
Alex Sager, Portland State University
Toward Identifying Political Compromise: Rethinking Public Support of Immigration as a Conditional Preference
Alexander Kustov, UNC Charlotte

Discussants
Christopher Blair, Princeton University
Natalie Chwalisz, Dickinson College

A panel rethinking migration data and concepts.

2300

CwC #1: Access and Disparities in Elections

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Mindy Romero, University of Southern California, Price

Participants
Does Federal Preclearance Make a Difference? Examining the Effects of Shelby on the Minority Voting Gap and Countermobilization
Jeffrey Milyo, University of Missouri
Brendan Cirillo, University of Missouri
Evaluating race - specific disparities in voter behavior in ranked - choice elections
Deb Otis, FairVote
Sam Wang, Princeton University
Rachel Hutchinson, FairVote
Signaling Youth, Miss ing the Mark? Social Media Advocacy and Political Engagement in Young Americans during the 2024 Election
Jill R Laufer, UC Center Sacramento (UC Davis)

Discussant
Daniel Smith, University of Florida

A panel discussing access and disparities in elections.

2300

Domestic Politics and Conflict

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Jeff Carter, Appalachian State University

Participants
Grievances and the Role of Subnational Elections in Explaining Civil War
Edward Blake Morris, University of South Carolina
Inequality, Threat of Redistribution, and Interstate Conflict
Valery Dzutsati, Augusta University
Rallying the Ranks: How Territorial Threats Shape Civil-Military Cooperation
Henry Moncrieff, Texas Tech University
Toby Rider, Texas Tech University
The Strategy of Wartime Issue Manipulation
Doug Atkinson, Brigham Young University
Andy Owsiak, University of Georgia

Discussants
Jeff Carter, Appalachian State University
Linchuan Zhang, Emory University

2300

Partisanship, Elections, and Voting Behavior

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Political Psychology

Chair
Najja Baptist, University of Arkansas

Participants
Core Values and Party Defection in American Elections
Robert Lupton, University of Connecticut
Jack Santucci, The George Washington University
Emotional Intelligence and Partisan Perceptions of Risk
Kristyn Karl, Stevens Institute
Gendered Partisan Fit: Voter Identity and Perceptions of Party Stereotypes & Prototypes
Maggie Kathleen Martin, University of Southern Mississippi
Playing Unfair to Win: How Partisan Competition, Rhetoric, and Moral Reasoning Fuels Support for Partisan Gerrymandering
Sam Fuller, Harvard University
Hilary J. Izatt, Binghamton University
Replication and Reexamination of Dwight Dean's Scale on Political Apathy and Alienation
Daniel P Chadborn, New Mexico Highlands University
Nicholas Tucker, New Mexico Highlands University

Discussant
Najja Baptist, University of Arkansas

2300

Voters and Measurement

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Political Methodology
Public Opinion

Chair
Cory McCartan, Pennsylvania State University

Participants

A Multidimensional Entropy Measure of Public Political Polarization
Le Bao, City University of Hong Kong
Jeff Gill, American. University

Are Voters Risk Averse? Specifying Utility Functions in Spatial Models of Voting
Carlos Algara, Claremont Graduate University
Sam Fuller, Harvard University
Chris Hare, University of California, Davis

Beyond the Ballot Box: Towards A Comprehensive Measure of Minor Party Success
Theodore Gercken, Hamilton College

Racial Comparability in Authoritarianism Scales: Latent Beliefs or Biased Measurement?
Bang Quan Zheng, University of Texas at Austin

Discussant
Cory McCartan, Pennsylvania State University

2300

Liberty, Legislation, and Legitimacy

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Kody W Cooper, University of Tennessee - Knoxville

Participants

From Whence the Legislative Power: The Problem of its Transfer in Locke's Second Treatise
Simeon Burns, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Machiavelli and Corruption: Assessing the Role of Machiavelli's Theory to Democracies and Non-Democracies
Carol R Strong, University of Arkansas - Monticello

Venice and the Immortal Republic: Machiavelli and Harrington on the Myth of Venice
yuxin wen, tohoku university

An Enthusiasm for Liberty and for the Dignity of the Human Race': Tocqueville's Master and Servant Reconsidered
Phillip Pinell, UW Madison

Discussant
Kody W Cooper, University of Tennessee - Knoxville

2300

Crime and Local Policing Issues

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Local and Urban Politics

Chair
Xiaohong Wang, University of South Alabama

Participants

Mayoral partisanship predicts appointments of women police chiefs
Xiaohong Wang, University of South Alabama
Corina Schulze, University of South Alabama

Municipal Policing and the Winner's Curse
Daniel Joseph Lane, Northeastern Illinois University

The Double-Edged Sword of Policing: The Impact of Policing Consequences on Attitudes
Bryant James Moy, New York University

Reimagining Police Preparation: A Mixed Methods Study of University-Based Officer Training
Sasha Siva Sembur, North Carolina State University

Discussant
Tom Stucky, Indiana University Indianapolis

2300

Institutions and Environmental Policy

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Environmental Politics and Policy

Chair
Srinivas Parinandi, University of Colorado at Boulder

Participants

ECOWAS and Inverted Sacrifice Zones
Arjuna da Silva, Northern Arizona University

Network Drivers of Organizational Diversity and Participation Across 30 Years of International Climate Change Negotiations
Zack W. Almquist, Univesrity of Washington
Benjamin Bagozzi, University of Delaware
Daria Blinova, University of Delaware

The State Park Idea: The Vision and the Reality
Steven Davis, Edgewood University

Strategic Reflexivity and the Politics of Compliance with the Paris Agreement: Analysing How Norms and Interests Shape International Environmental Agreements (IEAs)
Olawale Olalekan Ayansola, University of Alabama

Nonprofit collaboration in environmental and climate governance
Yu Sun, Florida State University

Discussant
Joshua Basseches, Tulane University

The papers in this panel deal with the broad issue of the role of institutions in environmental policy. Included in the definition of institutions are international institutions as well as the research enterprise itself as well as other ways in which environmental policy is conceived as a result of institutional output. The manuscripts explore novel directions related to the application of institutions to environmental policy and environmental research.

2300

Constitutional Thought, Legitimacy, and Democratic Foundations

Thursday
11:00am-12:15pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

American Political Development

Participants

Democracy without Durability: The Struggle for Constitutional Veneration in the Reconstruction-Era South
Drew A. Kurlowski, Coastal Carolina University
Kimberly Hale, Coastal Carolina University

Illiberal America: The Confederate Constitution
Savannah Eccles Johnston, Utah Valley University

James Wilson's Popular Constitutionalism
James Zink, North Carolina State University
Michelle Schwarze, University of Wisconsin, Madison

State Ratifying Conventions and the Twenty-First Amendment
Roger P Abshire, Texas State University

Was John Locke Really the 'Philosopher of the American Revolution'?
Benjamin Haines, Emory University

Constitutional Perfection: A Rebuttal of Bailey on Deliberative Democracy
Chris Wolfe, University of St Thomas

2400

Chinese Political Attitudes and Behavior

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Robert Harmel, Texas A&M University

Participants

China's Gen Z: The Challenging Generation?
Robert Harmel, Texas A&M University
Zhishuo Fu, Texas A&M University
Chen Shen, Texas A&M University
Yao-Yuan Yeh, University of St. Thomas

Quid Pro Quo in Human Rights Crises: How Authoritarian States Use Foreign Aid to Secure International Support
Chen Shen, Texas A&M University

Class, Place, and Interregional Economic Inequality in Chinese Fairness Perceptions
Dong Wook Lee, Adelphi University
Xian Huang, Rutgers University

From Equality to Security: Taiwan’s Human Rights Leadership as Soft Power
John Wagner Givens, Spelman College

Discussants
Charles Wu, University of South Alabama
Yao-Yuan Yeh, University of St. Thomas

The papers of this panel report research on political attitudes, behavior, and policy in China.

2400

Global Power, Security, and International Politics

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Undergraduate Research

Chair
Autumn Perkey, University of Central Florida

Participants
Determining the Effectiveness of Reagan and Trump's Foreign Policy Plans in Relation to International Organizations
Alison Ringhiser, Ohio Northern University
Implications of Sino-Indian Rivalry in India -Bangladesh Watercourse Sharing: A geopolitical perspective
Tushrat Asha, Truman State University
Seeds of Suspicion: Chinese Farmland Purchases as a Trojan Horse for US National Security
Andrew James Comer, Student at Ohio Northern University

Discussant
Autumn Perkey, University of Central Florida

2400

The Politics of Culture, Ethnicity, and Nationality

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
Stephen Voss, University of Kentucky

Participants
Cultural Halls: How China's Infrastructural Power Reaches the Rural Area
Yanchun Xu, Renmin University of China
"Dreaming Big"- India's Plan Towards Making an Entertainment Paradise.
Hareen Patel, School of Liberal Studies, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi.
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
The Dangers of Denim: Victim Blame against Southern Asian Women Wearing Western Garb
Stephen Voss, University of Kentucky
National Identification in Central Asia: Effects of Modernization, Status, Political Power and Labor Migration
Brent Hierman, VMI
The Authentic Autocrat: Conspiracy Theories, Political Theology, and the Perils of Personalism
Dima Kortukov, University of Alabama

Discussant
Brady Shrader, West Virginia University

2400

Science, Technology, and Innovation Attitudes

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Seongjoon Ahn, University of Iowa

Participants
Artificial Attitudes? How Partisan Cues Shape Public Opinion on Artificial Intelligence Regulation.
Sinan Nadarevic, University of Colorado Boulder
Australian Attitudes to National Space Activities
Kathryn Robison, The University of Sydney
Personality and Attitudes About Scientific Progress
Grant Ferguson, Texas Christian University
Kathryn Haglin, University of Minnesota - Duluth
Soren Jordan, Texas A&M University

Discussant
Seongjoon Ahn, University of Iowa

2400

CwC #10: Migration Governance and Policy Implementation

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Miranda Simon, University of Essex

Participants
Rentier Refugee States from the Inside: The Role of Lebanese Local Authorities in t he Commodification of Syrian Refugees
Harb Malak, City University of New York
Documenting the In-Between: Methodological Innovations and Narrative Disruption in Researching Irregular Migration from West Africa
Natalie Chwalisz, Dickinson College
Threat, Emulation, and Partisanship: Variation in Sanctuary City Protection
Benjamin Gonzalez O'Brien, San Diego State University
Loren Collingwood, University of New Mexico
Michael Paarlberg, Virginia Commonwealth University

Discussants
Taylor Trummel, University of California Santa Barbara
Naida Softic, Loyola University Chicago

A panel discussing migration governance and policy implementation.

2400

CwC #1: Making Connections to Advance Election Research

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Lisa A Bryant, CSU, Fresno

Discussants
TJ Pyche, The Elections Group
Kurt Sampsel, Center for Tech and Civic Life
Karen Brinson Bell, MEDSL/ Former ED of NC State Board of Elections

A panel discussion. Snacks will be provided. Generously sponsored by The Elections Group and the U.S. Alliance for Election Excellence.

2400

Dynamics of Civil Conflict

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Daniel James Milton, Brigham Young University

Participants
Democratisation, Conflict and crisis in Afghanistan: Contemporary United States role in the new great game of Asia Pacific
Farhan Khalid, Government Murray graduate college Sialkot, Punjab-Pakistan
From Machetes to Algorithms: Patterns, Predictions, and the Prevention of Genocide in the Modern World
Zachary Karazsia, Valdosta State University
Rebel Groups and the Strategic Logic of Governance: A Peaceful Outbidding Perspective.
Toyosi R Ajibade, University of Central Florida
The Politics of Lawfare: The Strategic Use of Judicial Processes During an Armed Conflict
Juliana Gbemileke POPOOLA, TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
When Do States Repress? Extremism and Government Responses to Rebel Groups
Salomon Huerta, University of Houston

Discussants
Daniel James Milton, Brigham Young University
Bailey Nicole Sellers, Flagler College

2400

The Limits of Black Freedom Movements

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Robert Mickey, University of Michigan

Participants
Imperiled: Louisiana v. Calais and the Future of the Voting Rights Act of 1965
Albert L. Samuels, Southern University
Repetitions of Violence: Localized Patterns of Racial Violence in the American South 1920-2020
Jeremy Berkowitz, Prairie View A&M University
The seeds that Never Sprouted
Julius McDade, New Mexico Highlands

Discussant
Robert Mickey, University of Michigan

2400

Estimating Public Opinion

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Political Methodology
Public Opinion

Chair
Chris Hare, University of California, Davis

Participants
Identification and Estimation of Conditional Means from Aggregate Data
Cory McCartan, Pennsylvania State University
Shiro Kuriwaki, Yale University
Representativeness of Policy Preferences in Survey Data for American Politics Research: Evidence from Cast Vote Records
Lonna Atkeson, Florida State University
Yimeng Li, Florida State University
Toward an American Socioeconomic Index for Use in Political Science Research
Ryan Dennehy, University of South Carolina
Relative Bias Under Imperfect Identification in Observational Causal Inference
Melody Huang, Yale University
Cory McCartan, Pennsylvania State University

Discussants
Carlisle Rainey, Florida State University
Chris Hare, University of California, Davis

2400

Foundations and Justice

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Thomas Lacourse, Saint Anselm College

Participants
Homer's Political History of the Trojan War
Andrew Gross, Clemson University
Law and Nature in Aristotelian Justice: Why Aristotle Upholds Law as the Foundation for Justice
Samuel Ambrose Clancy, Baylor University
Musical Poikilia in Plato's Republic: The Perennial Problem of Harmony
Rebecca LeMoine, Florida Atlantic University
Liberal States, Communitarian Societies: Aristotle, Cicero, and Aquinas on the Pursuit of Happiness
Tiffany Barron, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Discussant
daniel levine, University of Alabama

2400

Housing and neighborhood challenges

Thursday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Local and Urban Politics

Chair
Denise Quinlan, Clark Atlanta University

Participants
Affordable Housing Stock and the Prevalence of Housing Problems in Connecticut's Occupied Housing.
Samaila Adelaiye, Partnership for Strong Communities
Public Responsiveness to Compensation for New Housing
David Foster, Florida State University
Joseph Warren, University of Alaska Anchorage
Creating Sustainable Neighborhoods: Neighborhood Governance and Reinvestment
Michael Craw, The Evergreen State College
Simon Andrew, University of North Texas
Local Government Officials, Land Use Regulation, and Political Reresentation
Doug Murdoch, Southern Utah University
Neighborhood political composition and political behavior
Itamar Yakir, Yale University
Gregory Huber, Yale University
Mackenzie Lockhart, Yale University

Discussant
Denise Quinlan, Clark Atlanta University

2500

Legacies, Socialization, and Political Attitudes

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Gregory Love, University of Mississippi

Participants

Political Socialization through Social Engagement among Refugees: Evidence from Turkey and Germany
Sevinc Ozturk, Cukurova University
Sefa Secen, Nazareth University

Regime Legacies and Perceptions of Gender Inequality in East and West Germany
Hans Lueders, Hoover Institution, Stanford University
Eda Keremoglu, University of Konstanz
Ludwig Schulze, European University Institute

The Enemy of My (Historical) Enemy Is My Friend?
Frances Cayton, Cornell Univeristy
Isabelle DeSisto, Princeton University

Discussant
Gregory Love, University of Mississippi

2500

Race, Identity, and Representation in American Politics

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Undergraduate Research

Chair
Donovan A. Watts, Auburn University

Participants

Lyrical Liberation: How Hip-Hop Champions Black Awareness In America
Jade Nicole Willingham, North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University

PWI vs. HBCU: Impact on Black Students' Campus Belonging
Catherine Lenu Fonkwe, North Carolina

Scientific Racism: Shaping Modern Racial Inequalities in Healthcare, Education, and the Criminal Justice System
Jasmine Bastien, North Carolina A&T State University

Examining how political identities are formed through intersectionality.
Eliezer Salas-Mendez, Student at Tennessee Technological University

Discussant
Donovan A. Watts, Auburn University

2500

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Support for Democratic Norms

Public Opinion

Chair
Julie Wronski, University of Mississippi

Participants
Bad mood rising? Assessing the dimensionality and measurement equivalence of democratic mood
Philip Warncke, University of Limerick
Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University
Defining 'Normal' Presidential Conduct: Public Opinion, Executive Power, and Democratic Norms
Sydney Brake, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Julia Priya Mohanty, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Sore Losers? The Impact of the 2024 Election Loss on Democrats' Democratic Values
Katherine Haenschen, Northeastern University
Bethany Albertson, University of Texas at Austin
What Makes Independents Independent? Norms, Values, and Democratic Commitments
Seongjoon Ahn, University of Iowa
Faith Under Fire: Public Opinion and the Politics of Repression
Adwoa Serwaa Appiah, Louisiana State University

Discussant
Adrien Halliez, Drake University

2500

Thursday
2:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill A1 - 2nd Floor

KiND WORKSHOP: Qualitative Interviews with Dr. Lea Sgier

Program Chair's Panels

2500

KiND WORKSHOP: Marketing Yourself: Maximizing your Potential Within and Outside of Academia with Dr. Thomas Bryer

Thursday
2:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill A2 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

2500

CwC #7: Repression in Autocracies

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Dina Bishara, Cornell University

Participants
Why not rebel? How the legacies of authoritarian repression shape electoral politics
Christopher M. Sullivan, Louisiana State University
Coercion without borders: Authoritarian infiltration, interstate collabo- ration, and strategic repression of dissent abroad
Howard Liu, University of South Carolina
Authoritarian foundations: Colonial land, state violence, and the after- lives of Italian rule in Libya
Reda Tamtam, Princeton Universiry

Discussants
Dina Bishara, Cornell University
Jun Sudduth, Indiana University

A panel discussing repression in autocracies.

2500

CwC #8: Panel Discussion: Navigating Disaster Management in a Changing Landscape: Policy, Education, and Global Strategies

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Discussants

Tanya Buhler Corbin, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Ashley Ross, Texas A&M University at Galveston

This panel examines the evolving landscape of disaster management through institutional and policy shifts in the U.S., internationally, and the effects of these shifts for disaster education and research. We consider public response to these changes, implications for disaster management and the communities affected, and on how disasters are managed and studied. Topics for discussion include the future trajectory of federal, state and local emergency management in the U.S. and the effects of shifting policies affecting international disaster and humanitarian organizations, as well as specific changes in higher education such as grant funding, enrollments in relevant degree programs, international education initiatives, and international institutional research collaborations. This discussion provides a nuanced perspective on the interconnectedness of policy, education, and disaster management practices, emphasizing the importance of adaptive strategies in a rapidly changing global environment. Conference participants are encouraged to contribute additional insights.

2500

CwC #3: Judges on Apex Courts

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair

Jay Krehbiel, University at Buffalo

Participants

Recuse Me? Using the Stevens Papers to Understand Recusal
Jacob Berg, West Virginia University
Abigail Hassett, Transylvania University
Jonathan King, University of Georgia
Jessica Schoenherr, University of Georgia

The Crux of the Matter: Issue Salience and Case Selection in the U.S. Supreme Court
Sahar Abi-Hassan, The University of Tulsa
Janet Box-Steffensmeier, The Ohio State University
Dino Christenson, Washington University in St. Louis
Chandler L'Hommedieu, The Ohio State University
Adam Perhala, Northeastern University

Designing Assertiveness: How Institutional Architecture Shapes Constitutional Court Behavior
Joan-Josep Vallbé, University of Barcelona
Kálmán Pócza, Ludovika University of Public Service, Hungary
Gábor Dobos, Ludovika University of Public Service, Hungary
Attila Gyulai, Center for Social Sciences, Hungary

Judicial Resurgence in the Shadow of Backsliding
Lydia Tiede, University of Houston

Strategy and Supreme Court Decision Announcements
Morgan Hazelton, Saint Louis University

Discussants

Albert Rivero, University of Virginia
Taraleigh Davis, Bradley University

A panel discussing judges on apex courts.

2500

CwC #10: Immigration attitudes and political behavior

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Natalie Chwalisz, Dickinson College

Participants
Non - Citizen Voting and Immigrant Belonging
Megan Dias, Cornell University
Janelle Wong, University of Maryland
Amena Talajawala, The George Washington University Law School
Ron Hayduk, San Francisco State University
Kathleen Coll, University of San Francisco
Helen Ho, Chinese for Affirmative Action
Marni Fritz, University of Illinois Chicago
Grace Hartzell, The University of Texas at Austin
It's Not Threat. It's Fairness: Explaining immigration policy attitudes in the United States
Taylor Trummel, University of California Santa Barbara
Dangerous Stereotypes: Correcting Misperceptions about Undocumented Immigrants to Promote Inclusionary Preferences
Natán Skigin, University of Georgia

Discussants
Zhejun Qiu, University of Pittsburgh
Sara Mitchell, University of Iowa

A panel discussing immigration attitudes and political behavior.

2500

CwC #1: Election Officials, Staffing, and Workload

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Anita Manion, University of Missouri, St. Louis

Participants
Poll Workers and Civic Duty
Daniel Smith, University of Florida
Juliana Mucci, University of Florida
The Effect of Workload on Public Official Retention: Evidence from Local Election Official
Joshua Ferrer, American University
Examining Election Administrator Training: Approaches, Challenges, and Recommendations for Local Election Offices
Shaniqua Williams, West Virginia University
How Do Local Certification Officials Evaluate Their Elections? A Survey of Michigan County Canvassers
Corwin Smidt, Michigan State University
Lin Cabada, Michigan State University

Discussant
Paul Manson, Portland State University

A panel discussing election officials, staffing, and workload.

2500

Formal Models of Conflict

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Jeff Carter, Appalachian State University

Participants
Explaining Coercive Success: Commitment Devices, Socially Constructed Beliefs, and Time Horizons
Steven Beard, University of Colorado
Hawks and Doves at War
Jeff Carter, Appalachian State University
The Politics of War Mobilization and Conflict Initiation
Joshua Landry, Oklahoma State University

Discussants
Jeff Carter, Appalachian State University
Steven Beard, University of Colorado

2500

Comparative Political Parties, Policy Making, and Legislative Politics

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
Lauren Candia Shaffer, California State University, Northridge

Participants
On the Functioning of Pre-Modern Legislative and Advisory Bodies: Evidence from the Roman Senate
Thomas Gray, The University of Texas at Dallas
Results From a Natural Experiment Regarding the Introduction of Bicycles in Sub-Sarahan Africa
Daniel Joseph Lane, Northeastern Illinois University
Return of the Populists in Central Europe (Case of Slovakia)
Peter Csanyi, Bratislava University of Economics and Business
Testing the Impact of New Candidates on Party Vote Share in South Korea
Mi-son Kim, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Dongkyu Kim, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Discussants
Dale Smith, UNC Charlotte
Lauren Candia Shaffer, California State University, Northridge

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Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Political Psychology Potpourri

Political Psychology

Chair
Mandi Bailey, American University

Participants
Bolstering or Burdening? Causal Evidence of Memory Priming on Political Approval
Yue Hu, Tsinghua University
Haofeng Ma, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen
Empathy Through Contact: How Adulthood Interactions Foster Intergroup Cooperation
Jair Moreira, University of Pennsylvania
Reducing Prejudice Through Stories and Facts: A Survey Experiment on Migrant Attitudes in Chile
Catalina Vega Mendez, University of Notre Dame
The Stability of Ideological Attachments Beyond Liberal and Conservative
Andrew Trexler, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Christopher Johnston, Duke University
Who Is Fit to Serve? Public Tolerance for Psychological Strain in Diplomacy and National Security
Kelsey Larsen, University of Central Florida

2500

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

The Politics of Culture, Communication and Finitude in Nietzsche, Jaspers and Arendt

Political Theory

Chair
Constantine Vassiliou, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

Participants
Hannah Arendt and the Co-Verification of Reality through Action
Natalie Moreira, Baylor University
Nietzsche as Culture Physician: Nietzsche on "Philosophy in the Tragic Age of the Greeks" and his self-understanding as "the last disciple of the philosopher Dionysus"
Dwight Allman, Baylor University
Karl Jaspers and the Politics of Finitude
Lee Ward, Baylor University
Beyond the Ascetic Cocoon: An Examination of the Science of Politics in Nietzsche's Genealogy of Morals
Paul Kirkland, Carthage College

Discussant
Boleslaw Kabala, Tarleton State University

Twentieth-century German political philosophy was profoundly influenced by Friedrich Nietzsche's recovery of culture as a tool for diagnosing what he took to be the malaise of modern liberal democratic life. This panel explores Nietzsche's cultural politics and the echoes of a cultural approach to the study of politics in Hannah Arendt's theory of communication and action, as well as Karl Jaspers' account of a politics based on finitude. Dwight Allman reconsiders the impact of Nietzsche's early work The Birth of Tragedy by examining his early notes and unpublished writings (the Nachlass) and finds the roots of Nietzsche's adoption of ancient Greek tragic culture, which would prove pivotal in his embrace of the persona "the last disciple of the philosopher Dionysius" in his later works Beyond Good and Evil and Twilight of the Idols. Paul Kirkland explores Nietzsche's argument about the cultural effects of the ascetic ideal which he associates with the modern scientific project. Kirkland argues that in Genealogy of Morals Nietzsche sought to fashion a new appearance for philosophy that does not require the mask of asceticism. Natalie Moreira engages the question of the philosophic meaning of culture by highlighting Arendt's efforts to frame a political epistemology that can ground the multiple perspectives required to situate oneself in the realm of human affairs. For Moreira, one of Arendt's signal achievements was to articulate a theory of communication that contributes to the improvised actions reflected in the individual's right to organize a creative participatory political community. Lee Ward turns to Arendt's mentor Karl Jaspers. Ward argues that this doyen of abstract existentialist philosophers actually had a very moderate political teaching grounded on his concept of "boundary situations" [Grenzsituationen]. For Jaspers the individual human being can only become an authentic self through a series of "leaps" from self to Existenz framed by the limits placed on action by material, social and political conditions rooted in historical reality. The paper concludes that Jaspers' politics of finitude offers a compelling response to the integralist political and theological ambitions of many contemporary "post-liberal" thinkers such as Patrick Deneen and Adrian Vermeule. Taken altogether, the papers in this panel each highlight aspects of the relation of culture and politics that continue to resonate in contemporary life.

2500

The South and the Architecture of Democracy

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

American Political Development

Chair
Jeff Selinger, Bowdoin College

Participants
Southern Public Architecture and the Emergence of the American Capitol Type
Keith Gaddie, Texas Christian University
The Creation of the Texas Courthouse Type
James Riddlesperger, Texas Christian University
Contentious Spaces and Memorialization of the Confederacy
Scott Huffmon, Winthrop University
Context and Culture in Southern Mural Art
Jocelyn Evans, University of West Florida

This panel presents scholarship on the development of modern American public architecture in the context of the American South. Papers engage topics including the relationship of the settlement frontier to the design of courthouses and public spaces; the emergence of the American capitol type from Southern architecture; the evolution and meaning of southern public art; and Confederate monuments and memorializations.

2500

Presidential Power and Leadership II

Thursday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Steering - Riverside Building

Presidential and Executive Politics

Chair
Brian Robert King, Ohio Northern University

Participants
Presidential Leadership and Nationalized Elections in the U.S. Congress
Patrick Buhr, Vanderbilt University
Bill Signing Ceremonies and the Demand for Lawmaking Credit
Kevin Evans, Florida International University
Bryan Marshall, Miami University
You Can't Always Get What You Want . . . or Need: Personnel Allocation at FEMA
Fred Gui, LSU
Lawrence Rothenberg, University of Rochester
Junlong Aaron Zhou, Tencent Associates
Task Orientation and Conceptual Complexity: An Interaction Analysis of British Prime Ministerial Tenure
Sam Rohrer, University of North Georgia

Discussants
Justin Vaughn, Coastal Carolina University
Michael Ashley Julius, Coastal Carolina University

This panel will explore the nature of presidential power and leadership from a variety of perspectives.

2500

Student Lounge - Thursday

Thursday
2:30pm-5:00pm
Marlborough

Meetings

A lounge available for all students (both graduate and undergraduate) to take a break and enjoy light refreshments.

2600

Political Participation in Comparative Context

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair

Sayan Banerjee, Texas Tech University

Participants

E-Voting and Abstention: The Portuguese Experience
Cristina Aragao Seia, CEJEIAUniversidade Lusiada - Faculdade de Direito

Non-partisan Elections Observers and Electoral Integrity: A Study of the Role of PVT in Citizens' Trust in Elections
Nicholas Nathan Kerr, University of Florida
Md Sahidul Islam, University of Florida

Party System-Voter Congruence: Effects on Political Participation Across Democracies
Jiseon Chang, Tecnológico de Monterrey
Sarah Heise, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Synching Turnout: The effects of synchronizing federal and state elections in Mexico
Juan David Irigoyen Borunda, Florida State University
Evan Meyer, N/A

Trashing-not-Trashing Institutions: How Antidemocratic Rhetoric Increases Turnout
Georgy Egorov, Northwestern University
Konstantin Sonin, University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy
Alexei Zakharov, University of Chicago

2600

Gender, Equality, and Representation

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Undergraduate Research

Participants

Revisiting the Equal Rights Amendment: Sex, Gender, and Constitutional Equality in the Modern Era
Hannah Dickson, Christopher Newport University

Surrogacy: A Question of Motherhood and the "Child's Best Interests"
Lauren Lee, Tulane University

That's what she said: The role of elite cues and endorsements of political violence in shaping individual attitudes
Katherine Annemarie Keil, Northwestern University

The Feminine Conundrum: An Exploration of the Diversity of Beauty and its Utility Across Cultures
Quinna Eldridge, Georgia Southern University
Christopher M. Brown, Georgia Southern University

Title: Behind the Podium: Exploring Gender Dynamics in Political Endorsements
Eva margaret carter, Louisiana State Univeristy
Tyhlar Ann Holliway, Louisiana State University
Ella Menard, Louisiana State University

2600

Infrastructure, Technology, and Politics

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
John H Barnett, Emporia State University

Participants

Blue Economy in Southeast Asia: Malaysia and Thailand
John H Barnett, Emporia State University
Khanh Huu Nguyen, Vietnam Instititute for Develomment Strategies

Electrifying Rural Industrialization
Renhao Ye, University of California San Diego

Internet Access and Political Engagement: Evidence from South Africa
Georgiy Syunyaev, Vanderbilt University
Anna Wilke, New York University
Alexis Jang, Washington University in St. Louis
Benjamin Laughlin, New York University in Abu Dhabi
Kholekile Malindi, Stellenbosch University

Local Government-Owned Technology Platform Companies: Data Marketization and State Capacity Building under China's Government-Led Digital Transformation Local Government-Owned Tech Platforms: State Capacity Building in China
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Renhao Ye, University of California San Diego

How NGOs Reshape the State: Evidence from Municipal Spending and Employment in Brazil
Alexander Ray Dean, Vanderbilt University

2600

Author Meets Critics-The Politics of Individualism

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chairs
Kelly D. Patterson, Brigham Young University
Chris Karpowitz, Brigham Young University

Discussants
Julie Wronski, University of Mississippi
Bethany Albertson, University of Texas at Austin
Lee Ward, Baylor University
Julia Azari, Marquette University

Individualism is a quintessential American value, manifesting in emphases on hard work and economic independence. But there is another key aspect to individualism: moral autonomy, which must be understood in the context of an individual's relationship to authority. Autonomy has been a central focus for political theory but overlooked in the empirical measures most often used by political scientists The Politics of Individualism (2025, Oxford University Press) emphasizes the importance of moral autonomy by examining the relationship between autonomy, the self, and institutions. The book explores the conceptual dimensions of individualism, introduces a new empirical measure ("moral individualism"), and evaluates its relationship to civic life. People who score highly on the moral individualism scale are less likely to commit to public goods and to engage in collective efforts to alleviate common problems, even in the midst of a pandemic that threatened the physical health of millions around the world. In light of these findings, the book assesses the danger that moral individualism may pose to the maintenance of democratic institutions and the common goals and beliefs that help bind a nation together. In this panel, our aim is to explore the empirical advances made in The Politics of Individualism and their implications. Because a central goal of the panel is to bring together both political theorists and empirical political scientists, we anticipate the panel will include both types of scholars. We are still in the process of finalizing the list of critics, but our aim for the panel will be to provide a brief overview of the argument in the book, followed by constructive discussion from each of four critics. Given the content of the book, we view this panel as a unique opportunity to promote dialogue between political philosophers and empirical researchers as they explore the book and its findings.

2600

CwC #7: Wartime Politics

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Milan Svolik, Yale University

Participants
The political consequences of wartime casualties in Russia
Isabelle DeSisto, Princeton University
Laura Howells, Princeton University
Grigore Pop-Eleches, Princeton University
Jacob Tucker, New York University
Reading Orwell in Moscow
Natalia Vasilenok, Stanford University
Blame attribution in an autocracy: Survey evidence from Russia
Mikhail Turchenko, Northwestern University

Discussants
Milan Svolik, Yale University
Valeria Umanets, Tulane University

A panel discussing wartime politics.

2600

CwC #8: Disasters, Violence, and Repression: Complex Interactions and Social Implications

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Tanya Buhler Corbin, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Participants
Harnessing Crises for Control: The Commitment Problem Driving Repression After Natural Disasters
Chloe Jo Hale, Vanderbilt University
Resisting Crisis Governance: Women - Led Movements and the Politics of Disaster in Afghanistan, Iran, and Syria
Hasina Jalal, University of Pittsburgh
The Power of the Individual: Inter - state Conflict & Individual Energy Supply Choices
Ken Stiller, European University Institute
Migration in Conflict: The Empirical Roots of Strategic State Violence
Elisa D'Amico, University College Dublin
Nguyen Ha, Vanderbilt University
Dagmar Heintze, The University of Texas at Dallas
Jingding Wang, Syracuse University

Discussant
Lauren Clay, University of Maryland Baltimore County

The papers on this panel demonstrate how environmental and economic shocks intersect with political behavior and conflict, particularly in fragile or authoritarian contexts. They explore how environmental crises can trigger repression, violence, or shifts in public behavior — whether through strategic state responses, thresholds of resource competition, or individual adaptation.

2600

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #3: Judicial Procedures

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Michael J Nelson, Penn State

Participants
The Effect of Film on Vignette Designs
Jeff Staton, Emory University
Devon Thurman, Emory University
Dehanza Rogers, Emory University
Sound Judgment: Gender, Power, and Public Perceptions of Supreme Court Oral Arguments
Christine Bird, Oklahoma State University
Rachel Houson, Texas Christian University
Marcy Shieh, Miami University in Ohio
Injunction Junction: The Supreme Court and the Politics of Nationwide Relie
Miles Armaly, University of Mississippi
Jonathan King, University of Georgia
Elizabeth Lane, North Carolina State University
Jessica Schoenherr, University of Georgia
Elite Cues, Media Frames, and Public Opinion on Nationwide Injunctions
Anna Fleming, Mercer University
Matthew Montgomery, Texas Christian University
Natalie Rogol, Rhode Island College

Discussants
Chris Krewson, Brigham Young University
Martin Gandur, Florida State University

A panel discussing judicial procedures.

2600

CwC #10: Bordering Practices and Migration Management (Workshop Format)

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Alexander Kustov, UNC Charlotte

Participants
A Nation of Laws? The Perception of Choice and Unauthorized Migration
Miranda Simon, University of Essex
Cassilde Schwartz, Royal Holloway, University of London
Safe and Dignified Repatriation: Evidence from Health and Safety Interventions Among Returnees
Christopher Blair, Princeton University
Disrupted Aid, Displaced Lives: Unraveling the Impact of Refugee Aid Cuts
Shelby Carvalho, Stanford University
Guy Grossman, University of Pennsylvania
Yang-Yang Zhou, Dartmouth College

Discussants
Alexander Kustov, UNC Charlotte
Miranda Simon, University of Essex
Christopher Blair, Princeton University

This panel will follow a workshop format in which participants read one another's papers in advance; instead of presentations, the panel time will be devoted to a short summary from each author, feedback from an assigned discussant, and comments from meeting participants.

2600

CwC #1: Roundtable - Celebrating the Life and Work of Bob Stein

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Lonna Atkeson, Florida State University

Discussants
Jan Leighley, National Science Foundation
Charles Stewart III, MIT
Paul Gronke, Reed College
Tova Wang, Harvard University
Johanna Dunaway, Syracuse university
Greg Vonnahme, Univ. of Missouri-Kansas City

A roundtable celebrating the life and work of Bob Stein.

2600

Great Power Conflict

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Robert M Farley, University of Kentucky

Participants
Security Dilemma in the Taiwan Strait
Minyi Jiang, American University in Cairo
System Polarity and Irredentism
Harris Mylonas, George Washington University
David Siroky, University of Florida
Christopher Hale, University of Alabama
Twentieth century challenges to US dominance in Latin America and lessons for the 21st century
Thomas Nisley, Kennesaw State University
Understanding Motivation of war initiator: regime dyad and window logic
Daehyeon Kang, Sogang University
Youngho Cho, Sogang University
"Vectors of Cooperation, Vectors of Conflict: A Complex Systems Approach to Modeling Conflict Probability and the Collapse of Complex Interdependence"
Mark Vincent Reedy, UC Davis

Discussants
Robert M Farley, University of Kentucky
Addison Huygens, Tulane Unviersity

2600

Affective Polarization

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Political Psychology

Chair
Mandi Bailey, American University

Participants
Breaking the Balance: Asymmetric Negative Voting in the 2020 Presidential Election
Bang Quan Zheng, University of Texas at Austin
Bridging the gap: How mass-elite affective polarization congruence affects democratic attitudes
Fatih Erol, University of Idaho
Party vs Policy: Policy Importance as a Moderator of the Causes of Partisan Animosity
John Grady Anderson, Florida State University
Quantitative Ethnography and Affective Polarization
Eric Hamilton, Pepperdine University
Liane Weintraub, Pepperdine University
Affective Polarization and Democratic Erosion: Evidence from the United States
S. Erdem Aytaç, Koç University
Paul Teas, University of Chicago

Discussant
Maya Novak-Herzog, Centre College

2600

Teaching Issues Involving Civic Education, the Education of Student-Veterans, and Other Innovative Teaching Methods

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Teaching Political Science

Participants

African American Political Thought and Civic Education
Joey Barretta, Washington and Lee University

Collection, Cooperation, and Collaboration: Assessing the Effectiveness of a Declassified CIA Board Game
Jordan P Roberts, Coastal Carolina University

Federal Judicial Nomination Simulations in the Political Science Classroom
Nancy Bays Arrington, Cal Poly State University
Matthew E. Baker, Emory University
Adam Rutkowski, Troy University

Student Veterans on Campus and the Civil-Military Gap
REBECCA BEST, University of Missouri - Kansas City
Viviana Grieco, University of Missouri - Kansas City

The Acquisition of Civic Knowledge by Different Student Populations
Diana Owen, Georgetown University

Decoding Deception: How to Distinguish Bias from Lies in the Media
Stephanie Hallock, Harford Community College

This panel examines the various methods educators are using to promote civic education both in and out of the classroom, the challenges encountered by student-veterans, as well as the usage of simulations and board games.

2600

In Search of Homonoia: Political Trust in 21st Century America

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
David Whitney, Nicholls State University

Participants

“I am a nationalist!” “I am a democratic socialist!” “I am a classical liberal?”
Samuel Sprunk, Nicholls State University

Let there be Darkness? Why Science and the Academy are losing ground in 21st century America.
David Whitney, Nicholls State University

The first quarter of the 21st century has been marked by a steady decline of trust in institutions, extending beyond the government to universities, churches, and science. Increased polarization has accompanied this loss of trust, as an appreciable number of citizens now view their fellow citizens as enemies. This panel seeks to identify some of the causes of this decline, with an emphasis on various "isms." Potential solutions will also be examined.

2600

Urban Governance

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Local and Urban Politics

Chair
Kyle Alexander Van Rensselaer, New York University

Participants
Community Resilience Assessment of Local Politics in Southeast Texas
Dan Qi, Lamar University
"Whataburger, Waffle House, HEB, and the Pentagon Pizza Index: Citizen Reliance on Informal Institutions"
Sarah Perez, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Natasha Altema McNeely, University of North Texas
Inclusion as Access: A correspondence experiment on public officials
Doug Murdoch, Southern Utah University
Naomi Nubin-Sellers, Dartmouth College
Sticking to the Plan: How Pre-1989 Urban Planning Institutions Survived the Collapse of Communism
Conor O'Dwyer, University of Florida
Václav Orcígr, Czech Academy of Sciences
The Block Party is Over: Gentrification's Impact on Black Community Networks in New York City
Nia Jordan McInnis, North Carolina A&T State University

Discussant
Kyle Alexander Van Rensselaer, New York University

2600

Political Economy, Public Goods, and Changing Political Landscapes

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

American Political Development

Chair
Kendrick Roberson, Pepperdine University

Participants
Constitutionalizing Property, Unevenly: Political Economy and Democratization during the Early Republic
Jeff Selinger, Bowdoin College
Old Times There Are Not Forgotten: The Legacy of Southern Populism for Public Goods Provision
Daniel Blinderman, University of Virginia
Political Dissent and Authoritarian Consolidation in the Louisiana Sugar Industry 1892-1898
Daniel Blinderman, University of Virginia
Toward a Spending Paradox: Fiscal Politics from the New Deal to the Tea Party
Katherine Krimmel, Barnard College

Discussant
Kendrick Roberson, Pepperdine University

2600

International Institutional Rules and Procedures

Thursday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Steering - Riverside Building

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
DIPIKA PANNU, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Participants
Ambedkar for All: Revisiting His Economic, Caste, Development, and Social Thought in Contemporary India
AYUSH KUMAR, Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY OF DELHI
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
Horizontal Accountability and Legislative Oversight in Nigeria's sub-national Lagos and Kogi (2015 and 2023)
Idris Oladapo Oladokun, Federal University, Lokoja-Nigeria
Working to Rule: The effect of electoral rules on party unity and substantive focus
Betul Demirkaya, University of Kentucky

Discussant
DIPIKA PANNU, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

2700

Populism and Extremist Parties

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Dale Smith, UNC Charlotte

Participants
Elite Rhetoric and the Normalization of Extremist Parties: Evidence from Germany
James Stewart, Florida State University
Measuring Radical Supply: A Shift-Share Design for Online Extremist Influence
Arne Holverscheid, Northwestern University
Party Ideology and the Gender Gap in Candidate Resiliency
Agustin Vallejo, University of Houston
Terrorism and Populist Vote Shares: A Global Analysis
Onat Kolcu, University of Kansas

Discussant
Emily Beaulieu, University of South Carolina

2700

Policy, Inequality, and Governance Challenges

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Undergraduate Research

Chair
Geoffrey Peterson, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Participants

Closeness and Presidential Elections: Perception and Reality
Hannah Schindler, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Emma Steffen, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Geoffrey Peterson, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Disaster Planning in the Gulf South
Ann Rose Steinfeld, Sewanee

Influence of Online Sports Betting Advertising and Government
William Evans, North Carolina A&T

Reading Between the Lines: Educational Equity and Book Access in Northwest Arkansas
Addie Jones, University of Arkansas

Balancing Humanitarian and Security Values in U.S. Immigration Policy
Abby Simmons, Randolph-Macon College

Triggering Trouble: Wildlife vs. Weapon Laws
Colin Randolph Greene, College Student

Discussant
Geoffrey Peterson, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

2700

Politics of Conflict and Rebellion

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
Adam Golob, Centenary College of Louisiana

Participants

An Empirical Study of Ethnic Riots in Subnational India
Md Maniruzzaman Mamun, University of Florida

Childhood Interrupted: The Shrinking Age of Gang Recruitment in the Northern Triangle
Adam Golob, Centenary College of Louisiana

From Immigrants to Enemies? Threat Perceptions and the Spatial Dynamics of Xenophobic Violence in South Africa
Nixon Shingai Chekenya, Texas Tech University

Peasant Campaigns and Repression: How Social Class and Threat Perception Shape State Violence
Sania Akter, Louisiana State University
Pearce Edwards, Texas Christian University

Examining the Effect of Conflict on Pregnancy Outcomes in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Geospatial Analysis
Peter O Thompson, Appalachian State University
Lilian Ouja Ademu, Texas A&M AgriLife Research Center
Claudio Owusu, General Dynamics Information Technology
Sarah Adi Paul, University of North Carolina Charlotte
Celestina Atom, Teesside University

Discussants
Adam Golob, Centenary College of Louisiana
Pearce Edwards, Texas Christian University

2700

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

CwC #8: Social Vulnerabilities

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Ashley Ross, Texas A&M University at Galveston

Participants
Community through the Lens of Capital: How household resources shape relocation perceptions and pathways
Abbey Hotard, University of South Alabama
Ashley Ross, Texas A&M University at Galveston
Cooperative Extension as Third Responders: CEP's Role in Recovery
Krystle Allen, Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center
Food and Nutrition Security Amid Compounding Disasters
Lauren Clay, University of Maryland Baltimore County
Climate Disasters Mobilize the Rich but not the Poor: Voter Turnout in Post - Harvey Texas
Ted Chen, George Mason University
Xu Xu, Princeton University
Christopher Fariss, University of Michigan
The Networked Politics of Climate Vulnerability: Disasters, Supply Chains, and Climate Lobbying
Laura Comini, University of Michigan
Hao Zhang, New York University
Portraits of resilience: A study of sources of resilience and risk in historically marginalized communities
Courtney Page-Tan, Indiana University Indianapolis

Discussants
Clinton R. McNair, Rutgers University- Camden
Ted Chen, George Mason University

This panel focuses on the social aspects of disaster recovery and resilience. The featured papers examine how household and community level resources influence disaster preparedness and relocation decisions and the role of institutions and extension agents in shaping preparedness and recovery trajectories.

2700

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

CwC #10: Environment, Disasters, and Migration

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Alex Sager, Portland State University

Participants
Does Climate Change Influence Migration Intentions? It Depends How You Ask
Beth Elise Whitaker, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Alexander Kustov, UNC Charlotte
James Igoe Walsh, UNC Charlotte
Michael Ewers, UNC Charlotte
Jacob Scheff, UNC Charlotte
Iván Flores Martínez, UNC Charlotte
Border Disputes as Potential Barriers to Disaster Response
Sara Mitchell, University of Iowa
Adam Lappe, University of Iowa
Have Land, Will Travel: How Land Tenure Security Impacts Rural Guatemalan Households
Taft Crowley, University of California Santa Barbara

Discussants
Shelby Carvalho, Stanford University
Adam Lappe, University of Iowa

A panel discussing environment, disasters, and migration.

2700

CwC #1: Talking about Elections: Information, Trust, and Confidence

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Joseph Coll, Texas Tech University

Participants

All Talk, No Ballot? Congressional Chatter on Election Integrity
Barsky Christina, University of Vermont
Amanda Clark, University of Texas-Dallas

Election Officials as Trusted Sources of Info: The Relationship between Exposure to Election Officials' Communications and Attitudes Towards Election Administration
Thessalia Merivaki, Georgetown University
Mara Suttman-Lea, Connecticut College
Lisa A Bryant, CSU, Fresno

Sustaining Electoral C onfidence: The Resilience of Trust - Building Messages Amid Counterframes and Over Time
Thad Kousser, UC San Diego
Cheryl Boudreau, UC Davis
Jennifer Gaudette, UC Riverside
Seth Hill, UC San Diego
Mackenzie Lockhart, Yale University
Mindy Romero, University of Southern California, Price
Laura Uribe, UC San Diego

Discussant
Corwin Smidt, Michigan State University

A panel discussing elections: information, trust, and confidence.

2700

Media, Narratives, and Conflict

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Thomas Nisley, Kennesaw State University

Participants

How Does China's State-Owned Media Report on the Russia-Ukraine War?
Tianjing Liao, University of Tennessee

Humanitarianism as Nascent Narrative: China's "Responsible Great Power" Messaging and the Quest for Reputational Gains
Ann Mezzell, Air Command and Staff College

Media Framing and Perpetrator Identity in the U.S.: Broad Affective Arousal and Bounded Effects
Christopher Jackson, University of Colorado Boulder

Power and Persuasion: How Do States Pick Their Disinformation Targets?
Fahad Mirza, University of Central Florida

What Bleeds Doesn't Always Lead: Why Some Terrorist Groups Receive Media Attention And Some Do Not
Daniel James Milton, Brigham Young University

Discussants
Thomas Nisley, Kennesaw State University
Christopher Hale, University of Alabama

2700

The Politics of Reproductive Freedom after Dobbs v. Jackson

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Karen O'Connor, American University

Participants
After Dobbs: Women State Legislators and Abortion Policy
Teresa Cornacchione, University of Florida
Increase in Obstetric-Related 9-1-1 Emergencies After the Supreme Court Dobbs Decision
Jonathan Ready Powell, ImageTrend Inc
Jaclyn Bunch, University of South Alabama
Storytelling in Abortion Advocacy
Clare Daniel, Tulane University
Anna Mahoney, Dartmouth College
Grace Riley, Rush Medical College
The Politics of Obstetric and Gynecological Harm in the United States
Joshua Preston Miller, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Mary Atkinson, UNC Charlotte

Discussant
Alixandra Yanus, High Point University

2700

Meeting Student Needs as Educators and Research Mentors

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Teaching Political Science

Participants
"Getting More Out of Exams: The Impact of Post-Exam Reviews on Student Learning Outcomes."
John Powell Hall, Middle Georgia State University
(Re-)Assessing International Studies Majors in the United States: Evaluating Growth and Structure in an Era of Challenges
Josiah Marineau, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Melissa Camille Buice, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Teaching on a New Campus: The Challenges and Opportunities of Changing Teaching Positions Mid-Career
Brian Robert King, Ohio Northern University
Teaching Political Ethnography: How to advise and train future researchers about positionality and methodology
Bilgesu Sumer, New Mexico Highlands University
Julius McDade, New Mexico Highlands
Francis K Boadu, New Mexico Highlands University
Integrating Undergraduate Students into Global Politics via International Dual Degree Programs
William E Nichols, St. Edward's University

This panel examines ways to achieve effective student learning outcomes, provide mentoring to international and domestic students, and the challenges for educators in these and other roles.

2700

Thucydides and Plato: Thinking Through the Cave of Empire

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Borden Flanagan, American University

Participants
What's So Good About the Good? Pericles and Socrates on the Politics of Eros
Borden Flanagan, American University
A Metaphysical Thucydides? Reading the 'History' in Light of Plato's Timaeus and Critias
Bernard J Dobski, Assumption University
Thucydidean Dialogue and Plato
Charlotte Thomas, Mercer University

Discussant
Clifford Orwin, University of Toronto

Many commentators have written on the Peloponnesian war as it figures as the historical setting of Platonic dialogues, but relatively little attention has been paid to Plato's relation to Thucydides the thinker or Thucydides the writer. The depth of Thucydides' account of politics and "the human thing" and the artistry of his text are widely accepted, so the neglect is strange. The Platonic dialogues offer an account of Socrates, who brought philosophy down to the city, and Thucydides, Socrates' contemporary, is arguably the greatest and certainly the most immediate of Plato's predecessors. Once the question of their connection is raised signs of Thucydides' influence on Plato emerge, as do more surprising indications: reading Plato in light of Thucydides allows one to read Thucydides in light of Plato. That is, alertness to Plato's artistry and to his account of how philosophic questions emerge from political ones allows for a more philosophically rich understanding of the substance and procedure of Thucydides' text. This panel brings together scholars of Thucydides and Plato to begin to give the connection between the two thinkers it's due.

2700

Roundtable Discussion of Julia Azari's "Backlash Presidents: From Transformative to Reactionary Leaders in American History"

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

American Political Development

Chair
PHILIP KLINKNER, Hamilton College

Discussants
Megan Ming Francis, University of Washington
Robert Mickey, University of Michigan
Julia Azari, Marquette University
Shamira Gelbman, Wabash College

Panel members will discuss Julia Azari's new book, "Backlash Presidents: From Transformative to Reactionary Leaders in American History."

2700

Thursday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Steering - Riverside Building

Presidential Power and Leadership I

Presidential and Executive Politics

Chair
Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University

Participants
Parties and Presidential Leadership on the Environment: Who Takes the Lead?
Mark Andrew Kelso, Queens University of Charlotte
Presidential Messages on Legislation and the Congressional Targets of Lobbying
Huchen Liu, University of Nebraska Omaha
Presidential Particularism and Federal Grant Allocation
Mark Weiss, University of Michigan
The Strategic Presidency: The Politics of Symbolic Executive Action
Yao Yao, University of Georgia
The Impact of Executive Orders on Racial Minorities in the U.S.
Giselle Tucker, Georgia Highlands College

Discussants
Fred Gui, LSU
Billy Monroe, Prairie View A&M University

This panel will explore the nature of presidential power in various contexts.

2900

Thursday
7:00pm-9:00pm
St. James Ballroom - 3rd Floor

Welcome Reception

Meetings

2900

2900

AV Group Friday

Friday
12:00am-11:55pm
Fulton - 3rd Floor

Meetings

3900

AV Group Friday

Friday
12:00am-11:55pm
Fulton - 3rd Floor

Meetings

3900

Registration - Friday

Friday
7:00am-5:00pm
3rd Floor
Registration

Meetings

3100

Lactation Room - Friday

Friday
7:30am-6:30pm
Warwick - 3rd Floor

Meetings

Key entry only. Come to the SPSA Office for assistance accessing the room.

3100

Poster Session #3: Nationalism and Persuasion

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
3rd Floor
Breezeway

Poster Session

Chair
Francis K Boadu, New Mexico Highlands University

Participants

Christian Nationalism: From Theology to Political Ideology
Audrey Ayline Castillo, Texas A&M International University
Andrea Arias, Texas A&M International University
Alex Alvarez, Author
Miguel Ruiz, Texas A&M International University
Cesar Rodriguez, Texas A&M International University
Jack Byham, Texas A&M International University
Desi Vásquez, Texas A&M International University
Richard Marcy, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

Passport, Power, and Regionalism: Mobility Rights as a Tool of Global Diplomacy
Arjyashree Chakma, Sweet Briar College

Psychological Mechanisms of Conspiracy Beliefs: A Mixed Methods Research on Media Exposure and Political Conversation
Koh Iwabuchi, Waseda University
Tetsuro Kobayashi, Waseda University

Strengthening the Hillsborough County COAD: A Conversation-Informed Framework for an Improved Disaster Response Network
Jude Ogden, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Ratna Dougherty, University of South Florida
Elizabeth Dunn, University of South Florida

The Comparative Politics of Israel and China through Victimhood Nationalism
Trenier Phillips, Tennessee Technological University

3100

Polarization in Comparative Context

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Hans Lueders, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

Participants

Affective Polarization and Trust in Government: Individual Level Evidence from South Korea
Hansoo Lee, Ajou University
Dong-Hun Kim, Korea University
Seonhwa Jang, Korea University

Beyond the Ballot Box: Cross-National Evidence for the Corrosive Impact of Political Polarization on Generalized Trust.
Gregory Love, University of Mississippi
Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University

Measuring Trust in Affectively Polarized Societies
Sayan Banerjee, Texas Tech University
Anna Petherick, University of Oxford

Political Polarization, Affective Polarization, and Valence Issues: Lessons from Voters of the U.S., U.K., and Taiwan
Tzu-Ping Liu, University of Taipei
Sam Fuller, Harvard University

3100

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaign Strategies

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Isaac Westfall, Auburn University

Participants
Ad Tailoring and Polarization
Sarah Waldfogel, University of South Carolina
"Artificial Intelligence: Reshaping Electoral Strategies and Public Trust in the Digital Age"
Matthew Collins, Albany State University
Google It: Comparing Campaigns use of Television and Google Advertisements
Stephanie Mathiasen, Texas Tech University
Predicting Donor Behavior: Applying Machine Learning to Donor Classification
Noah Ochital, American University
Return to Sender: Using Large Language Models to Identify Political Fundraising Email Sponsors
Derek Willis, OpenElections

Discussant
Paul Herrnson, Univ of Connecticut

Papers examine electoral strategies, including ads, donor behavior, and fundraising.

3100

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Domestic Politics, Militaries, and International Relations

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
Dale Smith, UNC Charlotte

Participants
Coercion Amplified, Autonomy Outsourced: Great-Power Arms Transfers and Authoritarian Survival
Minyi Jiang, American University in Cairo
Examining the Difficulties of Cross-border Financial Cooperation Sponsored by BRICS
Ping-Kuei Chen, National Chengchi Univeristy
Fighting Words or Friendly Ties? A Computational Analysis of Turkish Foreign Policy Rhetoric
Baris Alan, Tulane University
The Disintegration of ECOWAS in the midst of Economic Integration and its Implications
Osman Antwi-Boateng, United Arab Emirates University
The Lady and the Military: Critical Discourse Analysis of Civilian Narratives of Myanmar’s Military
Prajakta Gupte, University of Florida

Discussant
Walle Engedayehu, Prairie View A&M University

3100

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Camp - 3rd Floor

CwC #5: Measurement Challenges

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Diana Owen, Georgetown University

Participants
Empowering Tomorrow's Voters: Does Community - Based Curriculum Cultivate Civic Engagement Among High School Students?
Sarah Reckhow, Michigan State University
Broadening our Concepts of Civic Outcomes: Validating a Youth Civic Engagement Scale
Kelly Siegel-Stechler, Interactivity Foundation
Studying School Board Policymaking at Scale by Extracting Image, Voice, and Text Data from Local Public Meetings
Tyler Simko, University of Michigan
Mirya Holman, University of Houston
Civic Education and Youth Political Engagement in Rural America
Eleni Mantas-Kourounis, Sacred Heart University

Discussants
Christopher Chapp, St. Olaf College
Kate Destler, Western Washington University

" Civics " encompasses so many different concepts, from content knowledge about the branches of government to actual participation in political institutions , that the field needs to make strides in defining and measuring the phenomena we hope to understand. This panel includes papers that address these challenges from different approaches. First, Sarah Reckhow compares curricula in terms of the empowerment they provide to students. Then, Kelly Siegel - Stechler evaluates a scale measuring students ' civic engagement. Tyler Simko utilizes state - of - the - art software to obtain measures of civic participation by gender at school board meetings. Finally, Eleni Mantas - Kourounis assesses the civic opportunities that exist in rural communities in the United States.

3100

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Canal - 3rd Floor

Anti-Intellectualism and Higher Education

Public Opinion

Chair
Kathryn Robison, The University of Sydney

Participants
Anti-Intellectualism in Appalachia
Tabitha A Lamberth, University of Georgia
Political Bias in Academic Research Opportunities
Jessica Khan, Northwest Florida State College
Kris Gulati, University of California-Merced
Universities and the Nationalism Problem: Analyzing the Institutional Response at the University of Central Arkansas
Blake James Reano, Georgia State University

Discussants
Julie Wronski, University of Mississippi
Ryan DeTamble, Oklahoma State University

3100

CwC #7: Nationalism and Foreign Policy under Autocracy

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Hanzhang Liu, Pitzer College

Participants
Selection, stability, and shock: Political attitudes of Chinese students at home and abroad
Yingjie Fan, Berkeley
Jennifer Pan, Stanford University
Zijie Shao, Communication University of China
Yiqing Xu, Stanford University
Purchasing power, broken power: The mobilization limits of authoritarian nationalism
Yingjie Fan, Berkeley
Beyond nationalism: Psychological authoritarianism and Chinese public attitudes on foreign policy
Naima Green-Riley, Princeton University

Discussants
Hanzhang Liu, Pitzer College
Ji Yeon Hong, University of Michigan

A panel discussing nationalism and foreign policy under autocracy.

3100

CwC #10: Return Migration and (Re)integration

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Benjamin Gonzalez O'Brien, San Diego State University

Participants
Assembled Access in an increasingly mobile world: In - accessible car e in fragmented health systems
Lucia Vitale, University of California, Santa Cruz/Georgetown University
Shared Suffering, Shared Peace? Refugee Return, Violent Displacement, and Communal Violence in Iraq
Zhejun Qiu, University of Pittsburgh
Leveraging Outliers: Insights for Policy Creation of Positive Deviance in Immigrant Integration
Saltanat Liebert, Virginia Commonwealth University
Grant Rissler, University of Richmond
Gabriela Leon-Perez, Virginia Commonwealth University
Daniel Morales, Virginia Commonwealth University
Helga Staalhane, Virginia Commonwealth University
Zehra Sahin Ilkoror, Virginia Commonwealth University
Gina Amedeka, Virginia Commonwealth University

Discussants
Beth Elise Whitaker, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Taft Crowley, University of California Santa Barbara

A panel discussing return migration and (re)integration.

3100

CwC #2: Intergovernmental Relations I - Local Resistance and Resilience

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Participants

Welcome to the 2025 SPSA Conference within a Conference - Confronting the Emerging Challenges to Local Governance
Simon Andrew, University of North Texas
Jered Carr, University of Illinois - Chicago
Edgar Ramírez de la Cruz, UNLV
Aaron Deslatte, Indiana University - Bloomington
Christopher Hawkins, University of Central Florida

From Constituency to Congress: How Local Sustainability Factors Shape Congressional Attention to Energy Policy, 2010 - 2023
Ha Vien, North Carolina State University

Contesting the Administrative Presidency: Assessing the Use of Lawsuits by Local Governments
Jesse Barnes, University of Texas - San Antonio

A panel discussing intergovernmental relations: local resistance and resilience.

3100

CwC #1: Improving Confidence and Trust in Elections

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Lisa A Bryant, CSU, Fresno

Participants

Speed the Vote: The Effect of Policy and Voting by Mail on Vote - Counting Speed in the 2020 and 2024 Elections
Sina Shaikh, MIT
Charles Stewart III, MIT

Election Transparency: Do Postelection Audits Improve Voter Confidence
Lonna Atkeson, Florida State University
Yimeng Li, Florida State University
Austin Lloyd Cutler, Florida State University
Sarah Holland, Florida State University
Marli Wang Dunietz, Florida State University

Centralizing Public Records Requests: Lessons from Washington State
Christopher B. Mann, Skidmore College
April Tan, CEIR
Carly Colen, University of Michigan

From Confidence to Conspiracy: Examining the Impact of Beliefs of Electoral Fraud on Public Attitudes Toward Election Reform
Quin Monson, Brigham Young University
Ethan C Busby, Brigham Young University
Kelly D. Patterson, Brigham Young University

Discussant
Mike Hanmer, University of Maryland

A panel discussing improving confidence and trust in elections.

3100

Information Technology and Conflict Narratives

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Tianjing Liao, University of Tennessee

Participants

Cyber T.S. Elliot: Good Cyber Strategies Copy, Great Cyber Strategies Steal
Matthew C Millard, Air University
Igor Kovac, Government of Slovenia, Cybersecurity Office
Ivan Ivanov, University of Cincinnati

Disinformation as Deterrence: Lessons from the Taiwan Strait
Jonathan Walberg, University of Virginia

Narrative Warfare and the Malleable Information Environment in Strategic Competition
Jonathan Walberg, University of Virginia

Political Action in the Dark Web: Political Mobilization and Radicalization in Illicit Digital Networks
Conner Joyce, Rice University

Discussants
Itamar Yakir, Yale University
Tianjing Liao, University of Tennessee

3100

Religious Movements and Elite Rhetoric

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Durham - 3rd Floor

Religion and Politics

Chair
Ismail K. White, Princeton University

Participants

A Time to Separate: Comparing Martin Luther King Jr. with John of Patmos
MICHAEL D ROYSTER, Prairie View A&M University

How Jewish Zionist social justice activists in Washington, DC navigate contemporary left antisemitism and antizionism
Ezra Temko, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

Interfaith Organizations and the Gaza War: Responses, Silences, and Political Constraints
Bedirhan Kir, American University

The Political Hymn Book: A textual analysis of songs of faith and their political undertones
Brittany Pryor Jones, UCLA

Incidental and Particular: Recognition of Religious Rights in the United States and Israel
Brendan Szendro, McGill University

Discussants
Ismail K. White, Princeton University
Nura Sediqe, Michigan State University

3100

Public Service Motivation and Fiscal Behavior: Exploring Links Between Motivation, Budgeting, and Decision-Making

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Public Administration

Chair
Thomas Bryer, University of Central Florida

Participants
Public Service Motivation Among Frontline Public Employees in Alabama
Xuan Wang, Ms.
Mentorship is basically the same the world over, right?: Gendered differences in mentorship in the city management profession
Robin Saywitz, Saint Louis University
Informational Justice, Protection Practices, and Job Autonomy on Federal Employees' Public Service Motivation
Xuan Wang, Ms.
Shifting Priorities? The Impact of Federal Financial Shocks on Clean Water SRF Allocation Priorities
Alisha Salsabil Amin, Auburn University

Discussant
Thomas Bryer, University of Central Florida

3100

Revisiting the Canon

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Juan Black, University of Alabama

Participants
Reconstructing Black Ecology: Du Bois, Method, and Black Resistance in the Mississippi Delta
Chaz Briscoe, Hunter College
Intercommunalism: A defense of Huey P Newton's Political Thought
Joshua Anderson, Virginia State University
Liberty Through Local Participation: Fannie Lou Hamer and the Republican Imperative
Allan Tellis, University of Colorado Boulder

Discussants
Demarcus Pruitt, Brown University
Kim Jacks, University of Alabama

3100

Democracy, Justice, and Equality

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Simeon Burns, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Participants
Beyond the Family: Expanding Susan Okin's Feminism through Anti-Capitalist Critiques
Farjana Akter, The University of Memphis
Patriarchy and Techniques of Silencing
Megan Gallagher, The University of Alabama
Anger, Gender, and Affective Injustice in Aeschylus's Oresteia
Joshua Preston Miller, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Catherine Wells, University of California, Riverside
Punishment and Equal Democratic Citizenship
Sam Boren Reast, New York University
On the dangers of radical democracy for democracy
Pedro Moreira, Texas Christian University

Discussant
Grace E Reinke, University of New Orleans

3100

Platforms, Public Opinion, and Political Attitudes

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Information Technology and Politics

Chair
Heather K. Evans, UVA Wise

Participants
AI Confusion: Platforms, Content, and Ambivalence about AI
Kevin M Wagner, Florida Atlantic University
Jason Gainous, KIMEP University
Algorithmic Visibility: Platform Governance and Indigenous Discourse on Twitter/X
Ian Magowan, Columbia University
Client Over Citizen: How TikTok Leveraged User Hardware to Avoid a Federal Ban
Jackie Ku, University of California, Irvine
Beyond the Campaign Trail: AI Content and its Influence on the Public Opinion
DIPIKA PANNU, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
But only if I'm Anonymous: A Conjoint Analysis of Attitudes Towards Online Data Collection
Katie Krumbholz, Rutgers University
Kyle J Morgan, Francis Marion University
Milton Heumann, Rutgers University
Lance Cassak, Independent Scholar
Alice Militaru, New York University- School of Law
Lauren Johnson, University of Virginia School of Law

Discussants
Lisa Argyle, Purdue University
Jean Springsteen, Washington University in St. Louis
Shea Minter, Georgetown University

3100

Context-Conditionality in Disaster Research

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Environmental Politics and Policy

Chair
Fred Gui, LSU

Participants

Identifying Key Variables in Robust Disaster Recovery Outcomes
Jonathan Cohen, University of Colorado at Boulder

Personal Damage from Tropical Disasters Increases Support for Climate Change Policies among Individualists and Hierarchists
Alessandro Del Ponte, The University of Alabama & Chapman University
Enrijeta Shino, The University of Alabama
Joshua Gellers, University of North Florida
Heather Barnes Truelove, University of North Florida

The Impact of Extreme Weather Events on Human Security and Social Resilience of Communities
Zahra Bakhtiari, PhD Candidate, Global Studies Program, Department of Political Science, University of Massachusetts Lowell

The Next West: Contested public lands as the last frontier
Erika Wolters, Oregon State University
Donna Lybecker, Idaho State University

Uranium Milling's Legacy: Pathways and Impacts of Long-Term Pollution from Arms Race Sites
Jordan Giese, University of Utah

Discussant
Geoboo Song, University of Arkansas

Research related to the politics and political economy of disaster assistance and disaster recovery has moved from general findings to context-conditional results that distinguish disaster-recovery impacts of different institutions, attitudes, and systems. This grouping of papers offers a glimpse into new research that explores context-influence in disaster recovery and policymaking.

3100

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Parish - 3rd Floor

Teaching Outside the Classroom

Teaching Political Science

Chair
Sharon Austin, University of Florida

Participants
A dream fulfilled: A community engaged student project that makes a difference
Trent Aaron Engbers, University of Southern Indiana
Colleen Rose, Indiana University
Rossina Sandoval, ALASI
Evelyn Rivas, Ivy Tech Community College
Beyond Experiential Learning Outcomes: Can Washington Semester Mitigate Negative Partisanship?
David A. Jones, James Madison University
Experiential Learning & Collective Memory: How a Pilgrimage to the Civil Rights Trail Shaped Students' Contemporary Politics
Alexandra Reckendorf, VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
Jatia Wrighten, Virginia Commonwealth University
Rethinking Undergraduate Research
Jamie Scalera Elliott, Kennesaw State University
Teaching and Assessing Critical Thinking in Political Science: A Case Study
Lauren Harding, Tennessee Tech Univsersity

Discussant
Sharon Austin, University of Florida

This panel examines the innovative techniques educators and students are using outside of the class through community engagement, experiential learning, and other methods.

3100

Deconstructing the Latino Vote in the 2024 US Presidential Election

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Angie Ocampo-Roland, University of Pittsburgh

Participants
Bringing Retrospection Back In: How the Economy Shapes Latino Voting Behavior
Derek Wakefield, Bucknell University
Tyler Reny, Claremont Graduate University
Joshua Dyck, University of Massachusetts Lowell
Gregg Johnson, Valparaiso University
"Growing Populations and Growing Power: Voter Turnout in Presidential Elections Among Other Hispanics"
Sarah Perez, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Beth Ginsberg, University of Connecticut, Stamford
Latino Votes and the Bottom Line: Economics Over Blue Collars in California, 2024
Jarred Cuellar, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

Discussant
Angie Ocampo-Roland, University of Pittsburgh

3100

The impact of age and education on today's politics

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Royal - 3rd Floor

Political Participation and Civic Engagement

Chair
Youngho Cho, Sogang University

Participants
Apathetic No More: right-leaning swing state college students in the 2024 election
Mary Clare Imparato, Belmont Abbey College
Countering Educational Displacement and Violent Radicalization through Youth Civic Engagement
Savanna M Lyons, Teachers College, Columbia University
Do Nonprofit Organizations Influence Voter Turnout Across Generations of immigrants: A Study on the Impact of NPOs on Voter Turnout Across Generations of Asian Americans
Xiaoyu Qin, Auburn University
Linggong Kong, Auburn University
From Apathy to Activism: Reconceptualizing Political Participation Among Young Americans (18-29).
Nofisat Eletu, Western Michigan University
What Are You So Mad About?: Emotions and Political Engagement among Young Americans
Kylah Adams, Agnes Scott College
Enrique Quezada, College of the Holy Cross
Silver Political Activism and Democratic Backsliding in South Korea
Youngho Cho, Sogang University
Daehyeon Kang, Sogang University

Discussant
Youngho Cho, Sogang University

3100

Friday
8:00am-9:15am
Steering - Riverside Building

The Trump Administration

Presidential and Executive Politics

Chair
Timothy Hellwig, University at Buffalo

Participants
Expectations for Trump in the 2026 Midterms
Michael Ashley Julius, Coastal Carolina University
Loyalty and Competence in the Trump White House
Matthew J. Dickinson, Middlebury College
Understanding and Effectively Challenging the Current Threats to American Democracy
David V Edwards, University of Texas at Austin

Discussant
Kevin Evans, Florida International University

This panel will explore the Trump Administration(s) in a variety of contexts.

3100

Friday
8:00am-6:00pm
Windsor - 3rd Floor

SPSA Office Friday

Meetings

3200

Exhibit Area - Friday

Friday
9:00am-4:00pm
3rd Floor
Breezeway

Meetings

3200

Poster Session #1: Political Philosophy and its Applications

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
3rd Floor
Breezeway

Poster Session

Chair
Jeffrey Patrick Colgan, Tulane University

Participants
Is ‘Human Nature’ a Concept Created to Justify Oppression?
Kayla Clawson, Christopher Newport University
Affirmative Action on Trial: The Intellectual Roots of Students for Fair Admissions v. President and Fellows of Harvard College (2023)
Eden McMillan, Christopher Newport University
Balancing Security and Liberty: The USA PATRIOT Act's Legacy in the Post-9/11 Era
Paiton Elizabeth Jones, Christopher Newport University
Israel and Palestine Through the Ancient Greeks
Gregory Kevin Hake, Jr., Tennessee Technological University
Viewing Hamilton Through a National Security Lens: Historical Realities vs. Modern Ideals
Dylan Victor Frederick, Christopher Newport University

3200

Democracy, Autocracy, and Revolutions

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Muyao Hang, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

Participants

Decentralized despotism or personalism: Democracy at the Grassroots in Nigeria
Christopher Akor, The University of Alabama

Opposition Capacity and Unstable Revolutionary Outcomes
Md Maniruzzaman Mamun, University of Florida

Socioeconomic Development and Democracy: Revisiting Seymour Martin Lipset's (1959) and Robert Jackman's (1973) Empirical Works
Ross E. Burkhart, Boise State University
Mark Mullenbach, University of Central Arkansas
Gizachew Tiruneh, University of Central Arkansas

Discussant
James Stewart, Florida State University

3200

The Impact of Candidates on Vote Choice and Electoral Outcomes

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Dennis Haggerty, University of Rhode Island

Participants

Disabled Candidates, Voter Bias, and Electoral Success
Patrick Rickert, Rollins College
Eddie Dieguez, Rollins College

Runoffs and Representation: The Impact of Black Candidates on Voter Turnout in Jacksonville, Florida
James Justus, University of Florida

The Conflicting Identities of Senator Katrina Jackson: Navigating Faith, Politics, and Reproductive Rights
Avery Edwards, Tulane

Cashing Out: Congressional Scandals and Candidate Entry and Exit
Scott Basinger, University of Houston
Jeffrey Lazarus, Georgia State University

How candidates' wealth affects voters' choices at the ballot
Eric Gonzalez, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Electoral Experience in Senate Primary Elections; 1956 – 2024
Jason S Byers, University of Connecticut
Aaron A Hitefield, Mississippi State University

Discussant
Joseph A. Aistrup, Auburn University

Papers in this panel consider the various impacts of candidates and candidate characteristics on voter choice and the results of elections.

3200

Parties, Leaders, and Candidates

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
Alisa Gaunder, Southwestern University

Participants
Anti-Corruption or Weaponization? Elections, Opposition, and the Politicization of Anti-Corruption Enforcement in Nigeria
Ebenezer Oluwaseun Makinde, Tulane University
Party Vigilantism and Spoiler Dynamics in Ghana
Dennis Larbi Mpere, University of Central Florida
Structures of Faith and Power: Comparing Islamist Party Politics in Malaysia and Morocco
Yasmine Haiti, University of Illinois Chicago
The Effect of Political Competition on Candidate Selection: Evidence from India
Shiladitya Kumar, University of Houston
Power Realities of Gender in Central Asia
Dariga Abilova, University of North Texas

Discussant
Shiladitya Kumar, University of Houston

3200

CwC #5: Attitudes toward Civic Education

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Camp - 3rd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Eleni Mantas-Kourounis, Sacred Heart University

Participants
Teachers ' Perspectives on Social and Emotional Learning in the Civics Classroom
Diana Owen, Georgetown University
Preliminary Insights into Perceptions of Teaching Indigenous History to Elementary School Students
Sarah Burnham, CIRCLE at Tufts University
Do the Behavioral Effects of Critical Civic Education Content Persist Over Time? Evidence from a Panel Study
Matt Nelsen, University of Miami
Division, Unity, and Teaching Foundational Documents: A Brief Survey of Public Opinion
Jason Giersch, UNC Charlotte

Discussants
Logan Dancey, Wesleyan University
Isobel Heck, University of Rochester

Despite the widespread support to increasing civic education in the United States, exactly what that education should include may not draw as much agreement. First, Diana Owen assesses teachers ' attitudes toward the role social and emotional learning can play in classrooms studying civic education. Then, Sarah Burnham finds that elementary teachers vary in their comfort with teaching indigenous histories . Next, Matt Nelson tests whether critical civic education – in the form of short videos shown to a national sample of adults – has las ting impacts on willingness to donate to social causes. Finally, Jason Giersch finds that framing civic education as either divisive or uniting has no effect on respondents ' opinions, but their political and racial identities do.

3200

Demographic Trends in the Electorate

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
David Barker, American University

Participants
Are Nonvoters Different than Voters? A Collaborative Filtering Simulation of Bias in the Electorate
Sean Richey, Georgia State University
Beyond the Headlines: What Academic Data Reveals About Gender and Politics Among Gen Z Voters
Stefanie Chambers, Trinity College
Laurel Elizabeth Elder, Hartwick College
Steven Henry Greene, North Carolina State University
Jason Pigg, Louisiana Tech University
Decomposing Electoral Change: 2016 to 2020 to 2024
Michael D. Martinez, University of Florida
Democratic Dissatisfaction: Exploring the Effect of Age on Attitudes Toward Democracy in Illinois
Nicholas W Waterbury, University of Illinois
Alan J. Simmons, University of Illinois Springfield
Explaining Generational Patterns in Democratic Satisfaction
Judd Thornton, Georgia State University

Discussants
George D Quinn, Rutgers University
Bryan Gervais, University of Texas at San Antonio

3200

The Impact of Public Opinion and Political Ideology in Society

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Latin American and Caribbean Politics

Chair
Kevin Anderson, Eastern Illinois University

Participants
Government Responsiveness and Populist Ideology in Latin America
Craig Arceneaux, Professor
Partisan Signals, Occupational Cues, and Policy Content: The Impact of Crime Control Proposals on Public Opinion in Brazil
Helen R Rabello Kras, Fordham University
Jacob R Turner, Pennsylvania State University
Public Opinion and Venezuelan Migration in Colombia: Exploring the Drivers of Negative Sentiment
Lisette Gallarzo Guerrero, University of California, San Diego
The Paternal Imago in Ruins: Messianic Leadership and Constitutional Instability in Ecuador
Ernesto Espindola, Johnson County Community College

Discussant
Kevin Anderson, Eastern Illinois University

3200

KiND WORKSHOP: Leadership in Troubled Times with Dr. Robert M. Howard

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill A1 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

3200

KiND WORKSHOP: Experiments in the Social Sciences with Dr. Donald Green

Friday
9:30am-1:45pm
Churchill A2 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

3200

CwC #7: Autocratic Institutions

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Georg Vanberg, Duke University

Participants
Revolution and retention: Political control and bureaucratic reappointment after democratization in Tunisia
Kevin Koehler, Sant' Anna School of Advanced Studies
Secondary education, civic licensing & political cleavages in postcolonial Asia and Africa: The case of Tunisia (1881–2024
Hani Abdel-Warith, Princeton University
Testing the rule of law: Authoritarian institutional shock in Hong Kong
Alison Chen-Zhao, UCSD
Ryan Leung, Northwestern University
Patrick Chester, Stevens Institute of Technology

Discussants
Georg Vanberg, Duke University
Holger Albrecht, University of Alabama

A panel discussing autocratic institutions.

3200

CwC #10: Author Meets Critics: In Our Interest: How Democracies Can Make Immigration Popular (Columbia University Press, 2025)

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Alex Sager, Portland State University

Participant
In Our Interest: How Democracies Can Make Immigration Popular
Alexander Kustov, UNC Charlotte

Discussants
Miranda Simon, University of Essex
Christopher Blair, Princeton University
Natán Skigin, University of Georgia
Alex Sager, Portland State University

An "author meets critics" roundtable discussing "In Our Interest: How Democracies Can Make Immigration Popular" by Alexander Kustov.

3200

CwC #3: The Diversification of the Bench

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Eileen Braman, Indiana University

Participants
Courts, Discrimination, and Linked Fate: How Judicial Outcomes Shape Perceptions and Political Solidarity Among Latinxs
Alice Timken, Syracuse University
Josiah van Egdom, Syracuse University
Impact of Supreme Court Decisions on Latino Knowledge and Perceptions
Carolina Goodwin, University of South Carolina
Abigail Hassett, Transylvania University
The Effects of Authoritarianism and Racial Representation on Judicial Legitimacy
Susan Achury, Lycoming College
Jason Casellas, University of Houston
Scott Hofer, Monmouth University
Matthew Ward, Baldwin Wallace University
Changing Tides: How Diversifying the Federal Bench Changes the Supreme Court Bar
Jonathan King, University of Georgia
Jessica Schoenherr, University of Georgia
Katelyn Stauffer, University of Georgia
Leadership and Legitimacy
Rorie Solberg, Oregon State
Eric Waltenburg, Purdue University

Discussants
Albert Rivero, University of Virginia
Natalie Rogol, Rhode Island College

A panel discussing the diversification of the bench.

3200

CwC #2: Intergovernmental Relations II - Horizontal Diffusion of Collaboration

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Participants
How State Politics Shape Interlocal Collaboration in U.S. Legacy City - Regions
Meg Rubado, Cleveland State University
Why do local governments enter into cooperative inter - municipal agreements?
Edgar Ramírez de la Cruz, UNLV
Network Dynamics in the Diffusion of Interlocal Agreements: A Relational Event Approach
Raúl Gutiérrez Meave, University of Illinois - Chicago
What is the Calculus of Collaboration? Evidence from Local Government Officials in the U.S.
Jered Carr, University of Illinois - Chicago
Michael Siciliano, University of Illinois - Chicago
David Ramirez Benitez, University of Illinois - Chicago

A panel discussing intergovernmental relations: horizontal diffusion of collaboration.

3200

CwC #1: Research Frontiers in Election Science, Election Administration, and Democracy, 2026 and Beyond

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Paul Gronke, Reed College

Discussants
Mitchell Brown, Auburn University
Richard Dellheim, Attorney
Thad Kousser, UC San Diego
Jared Marcotte, The Turnout
Tova Wang, Harvard University

A roundtable discussing research frontiers in election science, election administration, and democracy 2026 beyond.

3200

Religious Elites and Political Frontiers

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Durham - 3rd Floor

Religion and Politics

Chair
Bethany Albertson, University of Texas at Austin

Participants
How Policy Priorities Change with Leadership Change: The Case from the Holy See
Sean Theriault, University of Texas-Austin
The Political Economy of Fatwas
Reda Tamtam, Princeton Universiry
The rise of civilisational states. The instrumental use of neo-Ottomanist and Islamist discourse in Turkey
Tamás Dudlák, University of Pécs, Hungary
The Supply and Demand of Religious Messaging: Evidence from Social Media
Mostafa El Sharkawi, University of Michigan
Muscle or Mandate? Confucian Identity: An Instrument of Autocratic Survival
Jose Francisco Urias, University of Southern California
Religiosity in the World's Largest Country: Religious Dimensions in a Diverse India
Ajay Verghese, Middlebury College

Discussants
Bethany Albertson, University of Texas at Austin
Loren Collingwood, University of New Mexico

3200

Elections and Candidate Quotas: Parity, Gender Equity, and Public Policy

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Andrea Eckelman, University of Montevallo

Participants
Reconciling Gendered Priors: How Quotas Mitigate Backlash to Women in Politics
Tanushree Goyal, Princeton University
Elites' Responses to Gender Quotas in the EU Parliament
Anatole Cheysson, University of Bologna
Riccardo Di Leo, European University Institute
Biljana Meiske, European University Institute
Do Women Legislators Make a Difference? Collective and Individual Effects on Women-Related Lawmaking in South Korea
Minseok Jeong, Sogang University
Eunmi Cho, Yonsei University
Jiyoung Park, University of Texas at Austin
Public Support for Gender Diversification of the Judiciary: Evidence from Argentina
Eugenia Artabe, University of Houston-Downtown
Martín Gandur, Florida State University

Discussant
Iris Acquarone, Arizona State University

3200

CwC #4: SPSA Women: AI in the Profession

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chairs
Alixandra Yanus, High Point University
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso
Maureen Stobb, Georgia Southern University
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago

Discussants
Charity Butcher, Kennesaw State University
Kristyn Karl, Stevens Institute
Tolu Odukoya, Georgia Southern University
Betina Wilkinson, Wake Forest University

AI is transforming our roles in research, teaching, and service. Join us for a dynamic discussion about the promise, pitfalls, and real-world experiences across these domains. How have AI tools enhanced learning experiences, streamlined research processes, and fostered innovation in political science? Attendees can expect an engaging exchange of ideas on navigating the evolving landscape of technology in academia - with an emphasis on practical tips and concrete steps to consider in your own work.

3200

Trust and Public Administration: Bureaucratic Performance, Oversight, Response, Accountability and Rights in Practice

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Public Administration

Participants

The Performance of U.S. Secretaries of Transportation from Alan S. Boyd through Rodney E. Slater
Henry B. Sirgo, McNeese State University

Litigation, Oversight, and Regression: Foster Care Reform and the Case of Tennessee
Courtney Harris, University of Louisiana Monroe
Madelynn Lowery, University of Louisiana Monroe

MKUltra and the Paradox of Public Administration: Human Rights, Hypocrisy, and the Need for Reform
Joshua Stephen Schopp, University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM)
Courtney Harris, University of Louisiana Monroe
Jennifer Dumas, University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM)

The Trust Paradox: Street-Level Informal Resources and Citizen Trust
Nissim Cohen, University of Haifa
Einat Lavee, University of Haifa

Organizational Culture, Whistleblowing, and the Systemic Disregard of Victims
Kaitlyn Keough, ULM
Courtney Harris, University of Louisiana Monroe

3200

Political Judgement and Contestation

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Terry Hughston, University of Alabama

Participants

Building Citizens: Arendtian Plurality and the Politics of Public World-Making
Alexios Alexander, Eastern University

Civic Education for Governance
Larry Wayne Chappell, Mississippi Valley State University
Arthur Rhydon Jackson, Independent Scholar

Hegel on Modernity, Public Opinion, and Truth
Joseph Michael Keegin, Tulane University

Arbitrariness, Deliberation, and Justification in the Rule of Law
David Golemboski, Augustana University

Self-Interest, Social Esteem, and Non-Machiavellian Careers
Nathaniel Cogley, Tarleton State University

Singing in the Night: Nietzsche and the Dialogue of Loneliness and Solitude
Zach Durec, University of California, Davis

Discussant
Paul R Babbitt, Southern Arkansas University

3200

Participation and Politics

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Aaron W Braun, CUNY Graduate Center

Participants
Different Kinds of Consequences: Revising A. John Simmons on Tacit Consent
Thomas Lacourse, Saint Anselm College
On Reading the Right Way Defenses of Doing the Wrong Thing
Kenneth Mathew DELUCA, No Affiliation
Unruly Body Politic
William Sokoloff, UT Rio Grande Valley
Political Myths and the Reinvention of National Identity: Jules Ferry as a Figure of Cultural (Il)liberalism in French Political Discourse (1959-2024)
Cloé Artaut, Sciences Po / Yale

Discussant
Nicholas Tampio, Fordham University

3200

The Demand for Environmental Policymaking

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Environmental Politics and Policy

Chair
Tracy Osborn, University of Iowa

Participants
A Conjoint Experiment on the Fairness of Electric Vehicle Policy
David Akindoyin, Florida State University
Green Resilience: Salience of Political Messaging in light of Fuel Riots and Protests, 2018 to present
Rafael E Hernandez, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
How Income Inequality Shapes Americans' Willingness to Pay for Climate Change Mitigation
Joseph Essig, Brown University
Lawrence Rothenberg, University of Rochester
What Shapes Support for Sustainability Programs in K-12 Schools? Examining the Roles of Cultural Values, Trust, and Perceived Knowledge
Creed C Tumlison, California State University - Bakersfield

Discussant
Anand Sokhey, University of Colorado Boulder

While many analyses focus on the supply of environmental policymaking, the demand-side is often left underexplored. These papers focus on drivers of environmental policy demand, how that demand is created, and trends in the dynamics of that demand.

3200

Issues in Immigration Policy

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Parish - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Chair
David J. Fleming, Furman University

Participants
From F-1 to H-1B: Broken Visa Pathways in a Shifting Global Market
Dylano Bemelen, Lamar University
Reimagining Disability Perceptions among UK-Returnee Scholars: A Study of Commonwealth and Chevening Alumni in Nigeria.
Afeez Kolawole Shittu, Federal College of Education (Special) Oyo
Incarceration's Unequal Impact on Immigrant Health Across U.S. State Policy Environments
Madeleine Solt, University of Houston
What Do We Fear? Anti-Immigration Sentiment, Polarization, and Immigrant Inclusion in Safety Net
Sebastian Ege, University of Houston
Ling Zhu, University of Houston
Ping Xu, University of Rhode Island

Discussant
Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz, University of Maryland College Park

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3200

Comparative Case Studies of Racial and Ethnic Nationalism

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Andra Gillespie, Emory University

Participants
A Decolonial, Bolivarian Aztlan: Lessons for the Chicano Movement from the Pink Tide in Latin America
Christopher Michael Ulibarri, New Mexico Highlands University
Ethnicity and Ethnic Violence in the Philippines
Mathew Bukit, George Washington University
Population Resettlements in Ethnic Territory of Nepal: Rise of Nationalism
Hari Har Jnawali, Wilfrid Laurier University

Discussant
Andra Gillespie, Emory University

3200

Policies and Outcomes in Criminal Trials

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Benjamin Kassow, University of North Dakota

Participants
Arguments of Insanity in the Courts: Party Politics in the Jury and on the Bench
Morgan Noel Smith, Georgia State University
Hurry Up and Wait: Substantive Motion Practice's Impact Federal Criminal Case Disposition
Matthew Baker, Emory University
Ethan D Boldt, University of Massachusetts-Boston
Introducing the Stringency of Sentencing Policy (SSP) Index: How does Criminal Sentencing Policy Strictness Vary?
Lily Rice, Trinity College Dublin
Under Law or Under God? Sentencing in Federal District Courts
Hannah Arning, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Indigent Defense Reform in Mississippi: A First Step Down a Long Road
Brenda Rowe, University of Southern Mississippi

Discussant
Pamela C Corley, Southern Methodist University

3200

Exploring Trends in Party Politics in the United States and Canada

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Steering - Riverside Building

Political Parties and Interest Groups

Chair
Pedro Moreira, Texas Christian University

Participants
Mass Perceptions of Polarization in American Politics
Sean Freeder, University of North Florida
Kevin John Luhrs, University of North Florida
The Consequences of Supporting Losers: How Changes in the Party's Direction Influences Who Participatess in Primaries
Sarah Anderson, UC Santa Barbara
Daniel Butler, Washington University, St. Louis
Hans J Hassell, Hans Hassell
Laurel Harbridge-Yong, Northwestern University
"The Echo of Our Words: Publicizing the Legislative Process Across Its Multiple Arenas"
Rafaël Leblanc-Pageau, Université du Québec à Rimouski
Olivier lemieux, olivier.lemieux@uqar.ca
Alexandre Fortier-Chouinard, Toronto University
The Room Where It Happens: Mapping Intra-Party Divides in Legislative Committees
Paige Pellaton, University of North Florida
Whither the Third Parties: The Role of Third Parties in the United States
Brian Brox, Tulane University

Discussant
Thiago Moreira, Louisiana State University

3200

Formal Models of Crisis and Coercion

Friday
9:30am-10:45am
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Formal Theory

Chair
Milan Svolik, Yale University

Participants
Clandestine Sabotage
Jason Sanwalka Davis, Florida State University
Relative Gains Under Strategic Uncertainty - A Global-Game Explanation of US-China Engagement
Russell Cui, Independent Scholar
Resolve, Capabilities, and Brinkmanship in Nuclear Crises
Peter Schram, Vanderbilt University
Brenton Kenkel, Vanderbilt University

Discussants
Alexei Zakharov, University of Chicago
Sebastian Cortesi, Johns Hopkins University

3300

KiND WORKSHOP: Publishing in Political Science: A Discussion with Former Editor-in-Chief of Political Analysis with Dr. Jeff Gill

Friday
11:00am-1:45pm
Churchill A1 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

3300

SPSA Annual Business Meeting and Awards Presentation

Friday
11:00am-12:30pm
Jefferson Ballroom - 3rd Floor

Meetings

3400

Political Behavior in Latin America

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair

Isabel Laterzo-Tingley, University of Texas at Austin

Participants

Beyond Partisanship: Theory and Methods
Nicolás de la Cerda, Tulane University

Bringing Communities Back to Community Policing Why Robust Citizen Participation Deepens Support for Community Police in Indigenous Mexico
Natán Skigin, University of Georgia
Guillermo Trejo, University of Notre Dame
Shannan Mattiace, Allegheny College

Ideological and Attitudinal Changes in Two-Round Elections: Panel Evidence from Chile
Sofia Rivera Sojo, Vanderbilt University
Giancarlo Visconti, University of Maryland
Pablo Argote, University of Southern California

Narcopropaganda, Censorship, and Attitudes toward the State: Evidence from Cartel Music in Mexico
Isabel Laterzo-Tingley, University of Texas at Austin
Marco Alcocer, University of California - Merced

Discussants

Thiago Moreira, Louisiana State University
Mollie Cohen, Purdue University

This panel explores a diverse set of research questions related to political behavior, identities and attitudes across Latin America. The papers offer new theoretical, methodological, and empirical insights into how citizens navigate political and social challenges in contexts of weak state capacity, violence, and cultural and political complexity. The four papers draw on innovative research designs, including survey experiments, panel data, and quasi-experimental methods, to examine how political attitudes and behaviors are shaped by partisan identities, complex institutions, electoral dynamics, and cultural phenomena. In his paper, de la Cerda introduces the Political Identities Profiles framework, providing a systematic approach to studying non-partisan political identities in Latin America, offering tools to measure and validate alternative forms of identification that shape voter behavior in contexts where partisanship is weak. Complementing this, Skigin, Trejo, and Mattiace examine how participatory features of indigenous community policing systems in Guerrero, Mexico, foster trust and legitimacy. Their findings highlight how bottom-up institutions can thrive in stratified societies where state-led reforms have faltered. Turning to electoral behavior, Argote, Rivera-Sojo, and Visconti analyze Chile's 2021 presidential election, showing how voters who switch candidates in runoff elections adjust their policy attitudes in the short term without undergoing broader ideological shifts, underscoring the situational nature of attitudinal change. Finally, Laterzo-Tingley and Alcocer explore the effects of narcopropaganda and censorship in Mexico, examining how exposure to narcocorridos may undermine trust in the state while state censorship efforts provoke backlash. Together, these papers advance our understanding of how citizens navigate political, security, and cultural landscapes in Latin America. By integrating diverse methodological approaches and contexts, the panel offers critical insights into the challenges of governance, citizen engagement, and institutional legitimacy in the region.

3400

The Roads to Congress, an assessment of the 2024 elections and their political and electoral implications for 2026

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Walter Wilson, University of Texas at San Antonio

Discussants
Douglas Brattebo, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Barsky Christina, University of Vermont
Jeffrey Kraus, Wagner College
Joe Caiazzo, The JNC Group/Endicott College

Led by authors contributing to the "Roads to Congress 2024" book manuscript, this roundtable will evaluate factors that shaped outcomes in the 2024 congressional elections, discuss their implications, and look ahead to the 2026 midterms and the next edition of the Roads to Congress. Key topics for discussion may include: · Strengthening the Roads to Congress series as a scholarly resource and pedagogical tool · Reasons for and implications of evolving party demographic support · Patterns of realignment in the electorate and the political implications of these trends · Innovations in campaign strategies by candidates, parties, and groups · Reasons for and implications of evolving issue cleavages between partisan candidates · Developments in and implications of recent changes in election laws, including mid-decade redistricting The goals of the roundtable are to promote innovative new research appearing in the ongoing "Roads to Congress" book series, highlight and build synergy between emerging scholarly interpretations of contemporary electoral politics, provide opportunities for scholars to network and catalyze future collaborative research on campaigns and elections, and strengthen the collaboration and coherence of scholarly contributions to the next edition of the book.

3400

Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives on International Order

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

International Organizations, Foreign Policy, and IR Theory

Chair
Alicja McGarrigle, Regent College

Participants
Experimental Evidence on Weaponized Interdependence: How network structure and threats shape strategic behavior
Madina Bekisheva, Graduate Student
Ideology and International Conflict: A Dialectical Approach
Robert Snyder, Southwestern University
International Rehabilitation of Authoritarian Regimes: A Transnational Framework
Meheer Commuri, University of Cambridge
Farah Jan, University of Pennsylvania
The Self-Sabotaged Liberal Order: American Retrenchment and the Rise of Global Disorder — An Integrative Theoretical Analysis
Linggong Kong, Auburn University
Voegelin on Legalism and American Empire
BORU CHEN, Louisiana State University

Discussant
Gabriel Otis, George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs

3400

CwC #5: Affective Polarization

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Camp - 3rd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Matt Nelsen, University of Miami

Participants
How do you evaluate better conversations? Metric development and assessment for a multi - phase, campuswide free speech program.
Kara Dillard, James Madison University
The Humanities in Action: Civic Learning Through Literature and Community Engagement
Lidia Radi, University of Richmond
Participatory and Polarized? The Link Between Partisan Animosity and Political Engagement
Logan Dancey, Wesleyan University
Christopher Chapp, St. Olaf College
Changes in Political Animus Amo ng College Students During the 2024 Election
Natalie Doerfler, UNC Charlotte
Growing Divided: U.S. adolescents' perceptions of political polarization in themselves and others
Isobel Heck, University of Rochester
Nicole Park, University of Rochester

Discussants
Kelly Siegel-Stechler, Interactivity Foundation
Tyler Simko, University of Michigan

There is little doubt that the heightened interest in civic education is due at least in part to the polarized state of American politics. The papers in this panel assess causes and consequences of partisan animus. First, Kara Dillard assesses the impact of a campus free speech program on students ' polarization, intellectual humility, and listening skills. Next, Lidia Radi introduces students to the humanities as a tool for increasing civic awareness. Logan Dancey and Christopher Chapp then wrestle with the evidence showing that civic engagement can increase in the presence of affective polarization as well as in its absence. Natalie Doerfler uses the 2024 presidential election to measure shifts in affective polarization. And Isobel Heck shares with us how deeply divided American teenagers are.

3400

Partisan Perceptions in Mass Publics

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Itamar Yakir, Yale University

Participants
Does the Public "See" More Party Elite Conflict Now Than In the Past?
James Adams, University of California at Davis
Simon Weschle, University of North Carolina
Christopher B Wlezien, University of Texas at Austin
How Americans Become "Un-American" in the Public Eye
Julie Wronski, University of Mississippi
Partisans Do Not Misperceive Out-Partisans As Much As We Think They Do
Dot Sawler, University of Rochester
Party Cues or Group Sympathy? How Perceived Group Support Shapes Policy Beliefs
Austin Lloyd Cutler, Florida State University
Not Just Partisan Symbols: Right Wing Flag Displays as Visual Discourses of Exclusion
Morgan Lowder, East Tennessee State University

Discussants
Judd Thornton, Georgia State University
Emily Anne West, Assistant Professor, University of Pittsburgh

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The Politics of Resource Extraction in the Americas

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Latin American and Caribbean Politics

Chair
Nathan Edenhofer, University of California Santa Cruz

Participants
Varieties of Mining Deals in the Lithium Triangle
Lucas I Gonzalez, CONICET-UCA/UNSAM
Gold, Labor, and Crime: ASMG Workers' Organizations and Criminality in Peru
Omayra Peña Jimenez, Tulane University
Movement Leverage and Mining Capital Paralysis in Guatemala
Nathan Edenhofer, University of California Santa Cruz
Obstacles to Attaining a Social License to Operate: An Analysis of Corporate-Community Relations in the Chilean Atacama Desert
Juliette Maasland, Tulane University
Green Development at the Crossroads: Lithium and the Politics of Industrial Policy in the Americas
Tamara Ortega-Uribe, University of California Santa Cruz

Discussant
Moises Arce, Tulane University

This panel brings new research on pressing questions surrounding the politics of resource extraction in the Americas. Latin America is experiencing a renewed mining rush, driven by the demand for “green energy transition” minerals like lithium, copper, and nickel, while the price of gold has reached historic highs amid geopolitical and geo-economic tensions and uncertainty. However, unlike at the start of the commodity supercycle from 2002-2013, companies seeking to extract these minerals now encounter communities shaped by two decades of conflicts both against mining and over the terms of mining, while debates over the benefits versus harms of extractivism have intensified. At the same time, countries are increasingly engaging in the illicit and unregulated extraction of both old and new commodities, such as gold and copper. With the context more relevant than ever, the papers in the panel place an emphasis on power and the strategic action that communities, corporations, labor organizations, and state entities take as determining the outcomes of extractive politics. These dynamics through how the variation in labor organizing of artisanal gold miners across territories allows or prevents the influence of criminal organizations in Peru (Peña Jimenez); how territorial conflicts and dynamics lead to negotiated, unnegotiated, or aborted lithium projects in the Atacama’s Lithium Triangle of Argentina, Chile, and Bolivia (González and Snyder); how the dynamics of territorial struggles led to near total national paralysis of mining in Guatemala (Edenhofer); how the contradictions of company-community relations create or inhibit mobilization in Chile’s lithium sector (Maasland); and how the attempts to create post-neoliberal green industrial policy in the lithium sector in Chile and California expose the tensions between state-led industrial policy, local opposition, neocolonial structures and geopolitics of critical minerals (Ortega).

3400

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #7: Political Behavior & Public Opinion in Autocracies I

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Joshua A. Tucker, New York University

Participants
Ideology and political engagement under autocracy
Ora John Reuter, University of Wisconsin
Winning coalitions in times of autocratization
Dina Bishara, Cornell University
Kevin Koehler, Sant' Anna School of Advanced Studies
Holger Albrecht, University of Alabama
Blaming the outsider: How foreign interference claims weaken support for protest
Muyao Hang, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

Discussants
Joshua A. Tucker, New York University
Christian Houle, Michigan State University

A panel discussing political behavior & public opinion in autocracies.

3400

CwC #11: Leadership in Classical Thought

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
James Stoner, Louisiana State University

Participants
The Moral Power of Xenophon's Cyrus
Emily Davis, Louisiana State University
Sex, Love, and Violence: Eros and Ambition in Plato ' s Republic
Avery Williams, Princeton University
Political Care in Plato and Confucius
Cynthia Shihui Ma, University of Texas
Political Rhetoric and Socratic Elenchus in Plato's Crito
Allen Ray, Louisiana State University

Discussants
Jeremy Mhire, Louisiana Tech University
Timothy Burns, Baylor University

A panel discussing leadership in classical thought

3400

CwC #3: State Courts and Judicial Elections

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Rorie Solberg, Oregon State

Participants
Interbranch Relations and Public Evaluations of the Judiciary
Teena Wilhelm, University of Georgia
David Hughes, University of Louisiana at Lafayette
The Partisan Foundations of Attitudes towards State Supreme Courts
Eugenia Artabe, University of Houston-Downtown
Alex Badas, University of Houston
Lucia Lopez, University of Houston
Candidate Messaging, Law, and Politics in State Supreme Court Campaigns
Albert Rivero, University of Virginia
Andrew Stone, University of Mississippi
Time, Manner, and Place: Gender Norms in State Sup reme Court Party Briefs
Noelle Hanson, Trinity College
Shane A Gleason, Trinity College
Gender Performance in State Supreme Court Oral Arguments
Shane A Gleason, Trinity College

Discussants
Nathan Carrington, Saint Louis University
Morrgan Herlihy, Penn State University

A panel discussing state courts and judicial elections.

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"The Victory Paradox: The Challenge of Converting Success on the Battlefield into Strategic Victory in War"

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Marc Genest, US Naval War College

Participants
"The Victory Paradox: The Challenge of Converting Success on the Battlefield into Strategic Victory in the Vietnam War"
Cavender Sutton, Air War College
"The Illusion of Decision: Japan's Inability Defeat Nationalist China"
Andrew Wilson, US Naval War College
"Israel's War Against Hamas: The Challenge of Translating Escalation Dominance on the Battlefield to a better state of Peace."
Marc Genest, US Naval War College
China's Gray Zone activity in the Western Pacific: Part of a Flawed Strategy
Craig Whiteside, US Naval War College
Victory as a Theoretical Paradox: The Difficulties of Understanding and Teaching Strategic Victory in Great Power Competition"
Vanya Eftimova Bellinger, US Naval War College

Discussant
Cavender Sutton, Air War College

Using case studies drawn from numerous historical and contemporary wars, this panel examines the challenges of converting success on the battlefield into strategic victory. While military success is generally considered essential in winning a conflict, many factors make it challenging to achieve a political outcome that justifies the blood and treasure expended by military operations. Panelists will draw from the conflicts in Asia, Southeast Asia, the Middle East and other regions to assess the conditions under which battlefield dominance is a decisive factor in achieving political objectives and when military success fails to produce the desired aims of the belligerents. The following questions will be addressed. Has the nature of modern warfare made military dominance more problematic? How did the political and social context within which the conflict was waged impact its outcome? Where the political aims of the belligerents clearly defined and realistic? Did the adversaries adequately reassess and adapt to changes on the battlefield? Did international institutions and global public opinion play a meaningful role in bring the war to an end?

3400

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

The Gender Dynamics of Political Regimes: ideology, policy, and nationalism

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Hoan La, Texas Tech University

Participants

Negotiating Rights and Religious Identity: Muslim Women under Personal Law in Bangladesh and India
Sanjida Bary, University of Illinois Chicago (UIC)

The Uniform Civil Code : Prospect for Gender Justice and Sustainable Future in India
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
Vaishali Bhandari, Newyork Film City

From Penalty to Premium: China's Education Gender Gap Reverses
Yanjun Liu, Peking University
Jia Yao, Peking University

Global diffusion of gender mainstreaming: Comparative-historical analysis of the Philippines, Rwanda, and Sweden
Kei Mamiya, Mississippi State University

Discussant
Hoan La, Texas Tech University

3400

Partisanship, Ideology, and Political Networks

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Political Networks

Chair
Joshua Doyle, Purdue University

Participants
Different Circles, Different Effects? Disagreement and Diversity Across Social Networks
Lauren Santoro, University of Texas at Dallas
John Eaton, Florida Gateway College
Political Fracturing: The Emergence of a Conservative Institution
Elizabeth Ashley Walker, College of the Desert
Projected Constraint and its Implications for Polarized Democracy
Philip Warncke, University of Limerick
Lüders Adrian, Institut für Kommunikationswissenschaft, Universität Hohenheim, Germany
Dino Carpentras, Department of Humanities, Social and Political Sciences, ETH Zürich
Mike Quayle, University of Limerick
Social Vetting
Jennifer Larson, Vanderbilt University

Discussant
Joshua Doyle, Purdue University

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Race and Ethnicity

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Political Psychology

Chair
Jair Moreira, University of Pennsylvania

Participants
Between Anger and Sorrow (But Rarely Anxiety): How Emotions Shape Latinos' Immigration Attitudes
Jessica Cobian, UCLA
Efrén Pérez, UCLA
Male Political Complexities and Race
Angel Saavedra Cisneros, Bowdoin College
Darrin Rogers, SUNY Fredonia
Why are Some People of Color Embracing Republicans? A Temporal Look at Three "Crowning Postures" Among Asian, Black, and Latino Adults in a 2024 Panel
Ramona Ann Bulan Alhambra, UCLA
Emily Ortiz, University of California, Los Angeles
Efrén Pérez, UCLA
Andrew Engelhardt, Stony Brook University
Among the Bodies of Our Children: Colonial Mentality and Native Policy Preferences
Hope Martinez, Georgia State University

Discussant
Jair Moreira, University of Pennsylvania

3400

Contesting Coercion and Exploitation

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Sara-Maria Sorentino, University of Alabama

Participants

Emergency Beyond Sovereignty: Complexity and Contestation of Emergency Powers in the COVID Pandemic
Conor Bean, Appalachian State University
Genevieve Matlovsky, Appalachian State University

The Politics of Nutrition: Democracy, the Gut-Brain Axis, and the Social Microbiome
Nicholas Tampio, Fordham University

Democracy and Alienation: The Case of Especially Burdensome Work
Aaron W Braun, CUNY Graduate Center

The Necessity of Global Sovereignty to Deal with the Climate Crisis
Melisse Pinto, Retired Vermont State University

Reproducing the World: Life Under Extractive Regimes
Grace E Reinke, University of New Orleans

Discussant
Juan Black, University of Alabama

3400

Trafficking and Transformation

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Human Rights

Chair
Claire Greenstein, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Participants

The Face of Modern Slavery: An Examination of Human Traffickers' Recruitment Strategies through Human Rights and Public Policy Lenses
Maria Marcella Burns, University of Houston
Jennifer Hayes Clark, University of Houston

Enduring Effects of Social Movements on Organizations: The US' Designation of Human Trafficking Countries
Hyunsik Chun, Kyung Hee University
Yooneui Kim, Texas Tech University

Courage is Contagious: How Survivors Spark Collective Transformation in Human Rights Movements
Anjali Mehta, What Is the Power of We (Nonprofit)

Discussant
Bongjoo Peter Kim, University of Missouri

3400

New Directions in Conservation Research

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Environmental Politics and Policy

Chair
Abeer Al-Eryani, American University- Center for Environment, Community, & Equity

Participants

Coordination and Culture: A case study of the Lahaina, Maui wildfire
Maria Livaudais, CSU East Bay

Economy, environmental and social justice relating to the forest industry in the Southeastern United States: An overview of 300 years in the Southeastern United States
Kurt Smith, North Carolina State University

State-Community Collaboration and Forest Conservation: Evidence from Fishing Agreements in the Brazilian Amazon
Juliana Camargo, FGV
Gabriel Granjo, GI-TOC
Eduardo Mello, FGV

State-Level Allocation Patterns in the Clean Water State Revolving Fund: Balancing Environmental Priorities and Financial Sustainability (2000–2024)
Alisha Salsabil Amin, Auburn University

The Effect of Campaign Contributions on Clean Water Act Enforcement
Patrick Gauding, University of the South
Aaron Elrod, University of the South
Katherine Theyson, University of the South

Discussant
Jonathan Cohen, University of Colorado at Boulder

These papers deal with the political dynamics of resource conservation, both in the United States and globally. The political economy, and political economic challenges and opportunities, of resource conservation are explored.

3400

Economic Power and Interdependence

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

Comparative and International Political Economy

Chair
Ransford F. Edwards, Nova Southeastern University

Participants

BRICS is Dead, Long Live the BRICS
Ransford F. Edwards, Nova Southeastern University
Drekaria Miller, Nova Southeastern University
Constanza Azul Andujar, Nova Southeastern University

Do Geopolitical Tensions Reduce or Enhance Asymmetrical Economic Interdependence Among Allies?
Yi-hung Chiou, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University

How much does dollar chip in? Quantifying dollar dominance's value for USA and its allies
Mohammad Javad Alemi, Tulane University

Narratives of FinTech: the Political Economy of Disruptive Discourse
Alfredo Hernandez Sanchez, Vilnius University

Discussant
Ransford F. Edwards, Nova Southeastern University

3400

Navigating Identity and Advocacy in US Politics

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Janelle Wong, University of Maryland

Participants

Local Political Organizing, Immigrant Voting Rights, and Evidence of Resilience
Janelle Wong, University of Maryland
Megan Dias, Cornell University
Amena Talajawala, The George Washington University Law School
Lidia Rivas, CASA, Inc
Lydia Walther-Rodriguez, CASA, Inc

Complicated Loyalties: How Identities Inform Latino Attitudes about Immigration
Stella Rouse, Arizona State University
James Garand, Louisiana State University
Samantha Chapa, University of Notre Dame

The Politics of Recognition and Solidarity on the Asian American, MENA, and Jewish Left
Sonya Chen, Barnard College
Nura Sediqe, Michigan State University
Dara Strolovitch, Yale University

Criminalizing Black Womanhood: Analyzing the Reproductive Rights Landscape in the South
Chelsea Jones, The Brennan Center for Justice

White by Law, White by Choice? Racial Positioning of Iranian Americans
Tara Davoodi, University of Maryland

Discussants
Janelle Wong, University of Maryland
Kareem Crayton, The Brennan Center for Justice

This panel brings together a collection of studies that illuminate the interplay of identity, politics, and advocacy within diverse communities across the United States. Paper topics vary from race and reproductive rights, to local political organizing on immigrant rights, to immigration attitudes among Latinx, to intragroup dynamics among broad identity categories, to racial identity preferences among Iranian Americans. Together, the panel contributions underscore the importance of understanding identity as a multifaceted and evolving construct that shapes political attitudes, political behavior, and advocacy efforts. The papers are authored by scholars at various career stages, from an undergraduate student, to assistant professors, to full professors. It also includes scholarship from faculty researchers as well as research generated by practitioners who work in the democracy and immigrant rights spaces.

3400

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Supporting Courts: Evidence from Experimental Designs

Judicial Politics

Chair

Matthew Baker, Emory University

Participants

Death and the Past: How Mortality Salience Fuels Support for Originalist Reasoning in the U.S. Supreme Court
Vanessa Baird, University of Colorado Boulder
Eman Bensreiti, University of Colorado Boulder

Is "Lawfare" Undermining Judicial Legitimacy?: Framing Attacks on the Judicial System
Rachel Paine Caufield, Drake University

Latinos and the Law: How Supreme Court Rulings Affect Group Perceptions of Judicial Legitimacy
Sofia Rosales, Michigan State University

The Delivery of Political Threats Towards Judges and Court Legitimacy
Kaitlyn Allen, Texas Christian University
Mikala Dupre, Texas Christian University
Emily Farris, Texas Christian University
Matthew Montgomery, Texas Christian University
Bella Rao, Texas Christian University
Stephen Roberts, Texas Christian University

To Tweet or Not to Tweet? Does Social Media Use Impact Institutional Legitimacy of State Courts
Todd Curry, University of Texas at El Paso
Michael Fix, Georgia State University
Michael K Romano, Shenandoah University
Areebah Zia, Georgia State University

Discussant

Christine Marie Bailey, Austin Peay State University

3400

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Steering - Riverside Building

Exploring the implications of local elections on communities

Local and Urban Politics

Chair
Kyle Alexander Van Rensselaer, New York University

Participants
The Death of Pork? Federal Particularism and Local Capacity
Kyle Alexander Van Rensselaer, New York University
The Long-Term Effects of Single-Member Representation in City Government: The Case of Austin, TX
Brooke Nicole Shannon, University of Memphis
The Size of Municipalities and Litigation at the U.S. Supreme Court
William M Myers, University of Tampa
Zosia Paul, University of Tampa
Davia Downey, University of Memphis
What factors affect contestation in local elections? A study of North Carolina county elections from 2008 through 2024.
Evan Crawford, University of San Diego
Moving in and Mobilizing: Gentrifiers and Local Political Participation
Allison Verrilli, University of Texas at Austin

Discussant
Davia Downey, University of Memphis

3400

Friday
12:30pm-1:30pm
St. James Ballroom - 3rd Floor

Awards Reception

Meetings

3400

Formal Models of Electoral Politics: Information, Institutions, and Participation

Friday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Formal Theory

Chair
Georg Vanberg, Duke University

Participants
Ranked-Choice Voting with Different Elimination Procedures
Keith Dougherty, University of Georgia
Spenceer Katzman, University of Georgia
Strategic Policy Timing and Electoral Accountability
Daniel Gibbs, Virginia Tech
Voter Resentment and the Strategic Dynamics of Enfranchisement
Anna Denisenko, University of Chicago - Harris School
Trellace Lawrimore, NYU Abu Dhabi
Value Diversity in Teams: When and Why "Opposites Attract"
Tony Molino, University of Buffalo

Discussant
Brenton Kenkel, Vanderbilt University

3500

Electoral Rules and Political Outcomes in Comparative Context

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Jiseon Chang, Tecnológico de Monterrey

Participants
Bleeding Ballots: Exploring Misvoting in a Two-Ballot Mixed-Member Electoral System
Songkhun Nillasithanukroh, University of Arkansas - Clinton School of Public Service
Copartisan Rivals from the Same District : Does Intra-Party Competition Cause Corruption?
H.M. Kim, University of Houston
How Elections are Funded: A Comparative Analysis of Five International Models
Natalie Friend, University of Kansas
Minority Representation Under Small Magnitude PR
Michael Latner, Harvard Law School
Anthony Mcgann, University of Strathclyde
Only the Best People: Comparing Electoral Requirements and Prohibitions Across 187 Constitutions
Cynthia Botteron, Shippensburg University
Party Motivation: Conditions for noncitizen voting rights legislation at the local level?
Grace Hartzell, The University of Texas at Austin

Discussant
Agustin Vallejo, University of Houston

3500

The Impact of Rules on Elections and Electoral Outcomes

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Mitchell Brown, Auburn University

Participants

Delaying Democracy: Gubernatorial Control and the Timing of Special Elections
Cassidy Sebastian Reller, University of Florida
Dillonm Levi Laaker, Princeton University

Drawn In: The Effect of Remedial Congressional Districts on Minority Participation
Peter Miller, Brennan Center for Justice
Arlyss Herzig, Brennan Center for Justice

Evaluating the Efficiency of State "Supplemental Processes"
Clint Swift, Protect Democracy

Redistricting Redux and the Battle to Win the U.S. House in 2026: How Partisan Are the New Maps?
Jose Javier Alcocer, Harvard Law School
Christian Robert Grose, University of Southern California
Seth McKee, Oklahoma State University

Discussant
Mitchell Brown, Auburn University

3500

Technology, Science, and Classroom Innovation

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Teaching Political Science

Participants

Incorporating AI in the Classroom: Preparing the Next Generation of Public Administrators
Christopher Acuff, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Interpreting the international identity of USA: Analyzing the USCIS Citizenship Questionnaire
Bilgesu Sumer, New Mexico Highlands University

LLM-Driven Social Simulacrum: An innovative pedagogical approach for Political Science
YiFan Zhao, East China Normal University

Popcorn Politics: Teaching Political Science using Film and Television
Kevin Matti Kearns, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Daniel Minton, Texas A&M University-Texarkana

The Pedagogical Power of the DVCM Heuristic Model
Vincent Theodore Gawronski, Berry College

This panel examines the usage of technological and scientific methods both in and out of the classroom.

3500

Refugees and Post-Conflict Security

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Camp - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Nicholas Sambanis, Yale University

Participants

Assessing the Process of Truth-telling in Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Contribution to Forgiveness in Post-conflict Societies.
ANGELICA YEBOAH, UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Neighbors and Numbers: Does the presence of neighboring diasporas influence refugee flows in civil wars?
Chloe J Lopez, University of Florida

Staying or Fleeing? Family Circumstances and Military Officers' Decision-Making at the Fall of South Vietnam
Linchuan Zhang, Emory University
Hanh-Linh Tran, Emory University

The Effects of Power-sharing and Civilian Victimization on Post War Peace Stability in Civil Wars
Autumn Perkey, University of Central Florida

Gentrification: How Modern-Day Colonization Feeds the Human Trafficking Business
Sergio A. Martinez, University of North Texas

Cost, Strategy, and Humanitarian Risk in Armed Conflict
Uchenna Hillprieston Okwara, University of Central Florida

Discussants
Juliana Gbemileke POPOOLA, TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
Nicholas Sambanis, Yale University

3500

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Using Star Wars and Star Trek to Examine Key Political Science Concepts in Undergraduate Education

Media and Political Communication

Chair
James W. Endersby, University of Missouri

Participants
Political Leadership in the Star Trek Universe: Captains as Extension of Illustrations of the Executive Branch
Matthew Newton, Lone Star College -- Kingwood
How Liberties Dies -- The Politics of the Prequel Era
Zachary Lang, Anderson University
Civil Liberties in the Star Trek Universe
Julie Harrelson-Stephens, Stephen F. Austin State University
All Who Gain Power are Afraid to Lose It: What the Star Wars Saga Can Teach Us about the Political World Today
Chapman Rackaway, Radford University
Understanding Race and Ethnicity: Star Trek's Examination of Interspecies and Intraspecies Interactions as a Mirror of American Politics
Steven Galatas, Stephen F. Austin State University
Kevin Anderson, Eastern Illinois University

Discussant
Michael Smith, Emporia State University

This panel provides an overview of how political science concepts may be taught through the lens of two of the best known science fiction franchises: Star Trek and Star Wars. Various papers address these concepts using the entire cannon of movies and television series as example and illustrations of civil rights, race and ethnic relations, civil liberties, regime change, democratization, executive power, and separation of powers. The various papers attempt to thematically explore political science as presented in American government and comparative politics courses. Presenters include individuals from regional state universities, private universities, community colleges, and research universities.

3500

Rethinking Revolutionary Cuba: Politics, Diaspora, and Reform

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Latin American and Caribbean Politics

Chair
Christopher M. Brown, Georgia Southern University

Participants
Private Sector Corruption and Its Influence on Public Sector Corruption in Cuba
Ivana Casuso, Georgia Southern University
Christopher M. Brown, Georgia Southern University
Legacy of the Cuban Diaspora on Contemporary US Foreign Policy: How Refugees of the Cuban Revolution Slow Diplomatic Mending
Spencer Garland, Georgia Southern University
Christopher M. Brown, Georgia Southern University

Discussant
Georgina Chami, University of the West Indies

This panel explores the multifaceted legacies of revolutionary Cuba through historical, legal, and transnational lenses. Anchored in the Cold War moment, one paper revisits the Bay of Pigs invasion to interrogate John F. Kennedy's strategic calculus and its implications for U.S.–Cuban relations. Another examines the entanglement of public and private corruption in Cuba, revealing how informal networks and state structures co-evolved under communism. A third contribution traces the enduring influence of the Cuban diaspora on contemporary U.S. foreign policy, highlighting how exile communities have shaped legislative agendas and diplomatic postures. Finally, a legal-historical analysis of gender reforms in revolutionary Cuba assesses both the progressive aspirations and persistent limitations of state-led transformation. Together, these papers present a nuanced portrait of Cuba, not as a static revolutionary symbol, but as a dynamic site of contestation, where ideology, governance, and identity intersect across borders and over decades. By bridging domestic and international perspectives, the panel invites critical reflection on Cuba's evolving role in global politics and the complex interplay between reform, resistance, and remembrance.

3500

KiND WORKSHOP: Thesis Writing with Dr. Lea Sgier

Friday
2:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill A2 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

3500

CwC #7: Political Behavior & Public Opinion in Autocracies II

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Quintin Beazer, Florida State University

Participants

Framing corruption: How campaign narratives shape public perceptions in Vietnam
Trung-Anh Nguyen, Duke University
Paul Schuler, University of Arizona
Eddy Malesky, Duke University

State-endorsed moral outrage: Crowdsourced coercion in the era of social media
Yingjie Fan, Berkeley
Xu Xu, Princeton University

When silence creates violence: Understanding the role of identity-based dynamics in assessing domestic violence
Valeria Umanets, Tulane University
Yulia Khalikova, Hamburg
Marcy Shieh, Miami University in Ohio
Alisher Juzgenbayev, Northwestern University

Discussants
Quintin Beazer, Florida State University
Tony Yang, Emory University

A panel discussing political behavior and public opinion in autocracies.

3500

CwC #11: Executive Power in Early Modern Thought

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Evan Cree Gee, Emory University

Participants

The Power and Limits of Presidential Rhetoric
Derek Foret, The University of Texas at Austin

A Bulwark on Prerogative: Blackstone ’ s Constitutional Executive
Garrett Jones, University of Texas

The Ascent of Ambition: Machiavelli ’ s Analysis of th e Roman Decemvirate
Benjamin Schwabe, University of Texas

Executive Power and Locke ’ s “ Strange Doctrine ” of Natural Punishment
Gabrielle Ray, Louisiana State University

Discussants
Evan Cree Gee, Emory University
James Stoner, Louisiana State University
Benjamin Haines, Emory University

A panel discussing executive power in early modern thought.

3500

CwC #3: Judicial Independence and Power

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Lee Walker, National Science Foundation

Participants
Institutional Checks and Public Support for Democratic Backsliding
Martín Gandur, Florida State University
Courts as Sites for Knowledge Production: Lessons from Presidential Election Disputes in Africa
D. Tinashé Hofisi, University of Virginia
Institutions of Independence? Judicial Councils and the Strategic Politics of Compliance
Joan-Josep Vallbé, University of Barcelona
Judicial independence growth and decline: A Global Dataset of Changes in de Facto High Court Independence (1900-2024)
Alice Timken, Syracuse University

Discussants
Mattheus Zanetti, Florida State University
Michael J Nelson, Penn State

A panel discussing judicial independence and power.

3500

CwC #2: Sustainability and Climate Resilience

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Participants
Sustainability Priorities Amidst Economic Distress: Evidence from Illinois Park Districts
Thomas Skuzinski, Northern Illinois University
Heat Vulnerability and Public Cooling Infrastructure in Major Texas Cities : A Geospatial Assessment of Climate Equity
Ojonugwa Emmanuel, University of North Texas
Joshua Mawulikplim, University of North Texas, Denton
Activating the Feedback Loop: Performance Information Use for Decision - making of Sustainability Policy
Yunchen Zhu, Indiana University Bloomington
When does it not work: how collaboration experiences under different institutional arrangements impacts perceived obstacles for greater community sustainability success in U.S. cities?
Lachezar Anguelov, The Evergreen State College
Christopher Hawkins, University of Central Florida
Rachel Krause, University of Kansas
Angela Park, KDI School of Public Policy and Management

A panel discussing sustainability and climate resilience.

3500

CwC #1: Election Administration: Places and Processes

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Joseph Loffredo, MIT

Participants
Whose (Provisional) Vote Counts? Voter Identification Requirements, Provisional Voting, and Ballot Rejection Rates in American Counties
Joseph Coll, Texas Tech University
Matt Lamb, Texas Tech University
Enrijeta Shino, The University of Alabama
Ensuring Every Vote Counts: Vote - by - Mail Rejection and Signature Curing in
Mindy Romero, University of Southern California, Price
Anna Meier, University of Southern California
Modernizing Voter List Maintenance: An Evidence - Based Framework for Access and Integrity
Rachel Orey, Bipartisan Policy Center
Michael Morse, University of Pennsylvania
Place Matters: A Ground - Level Look at the Vote Center Experience
Anita Manion, University of Missouri, St. Louis
David Kimball, University of Missouri - St. Louis
Jake Shaw, University of Missouri - St. Louis

Discussant
Thessalia Merivaki, Georgetown University

A panel discussing election administration: places and processes.

3500

Territorial and Maritime Disputes

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Toby Rider, Texas Tech University

Participants
Changing the Map: The Past, Present, and Future of Territorial Conflict
Karen Elizabeth Farrell, The George Washington University
China’s Preventive War in the Taiwan Strait: Lessons from the Ukraine War
Yuan-kang Wang, Western Michigan University
Territorial Disputes as a Legitimation Strategy for Authoritarian Regimes: The Case of China
Minyi Jiang, American University in Cairo
Unpacking the Silence: Why Negotiations Have Failed in the Eastern Mediterranean Maritime Dispute?
Kerem Gülay, Koç University & ASIL
Ozge Karsu, Koç University Maritime Forum

Discussants
Toby Rider, Texas Tech University
Karen Elizabeth Farrell, The George Washington University

3500

Legislative Structure and Legislator Behavior

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

State Politics

Chair
Richard Fording, University of Alabama

Participants

Short Terms, Big Impact? How Term Lengths Influence Legislator Behavior
Matthew Geras, University of Illinois Springfield
Alan J. Simmons, University of Illinois Springfield
John Transue, University of Illinois Springfield
Nicholas W Waterbury, University of Illinois

Legislator Demographics and Legislative Success: Dynamics in State Legislatures
Patrick Larue, Collin College

The Moore's and Manchin's of the Mountain State; Political Power and Change in West Virginia
Carl Taylor, Walsh University

Discussants
Richard Fording, University of Alabama
Nicholas W Waterbury, University of Illinois

3500

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Building university and community ties: Exploring different ways to have impact

Public Administration

Chair
Bridget Kathleen Gallagher, Texas Tech University

Participants
From outreach to impact: Evaluating university engagement strategies
Leigh Hersey, University of Louisiana Monroe
Bridget Kathleen Gallagher, Texas Tech University
From strengths to struggles: Rural community engagement in West Texas
Jason Headrick, Texas Tech University
Erica Irlbeck, Texas Tech University
Defending the defenders: How universities strengthen communities through interdisciplinary public defense training
Leigh Hersey, University of Louisiana Monroe
Anissa Horne, University of Louisiana Monroe
Courtney Harris, University of Louisiana Monroe
Great libraries build communities: How are contemporary libraries collaborating community development?
Bridget Kathleen Gallagher, Texas Tech University
Leigh Hersey, University of Louisiana Monroe
Divya Janardhan, Texas Tech University
Jason Headrick, Texas Tech University
Daniel Scheller, Texas Tech University
Academic Utilization and Issue Novelty
Connor William Dye, University of Texas at San Antonio

Discussant
Leigh Hersey, University of Louisiana Monroe

Higher education organizations (HEOs) are being called to become more engaged with their communities. Kerr (2001), in some of the most well-known literature in this area, highlights the role of universities within society arguing that place and space are central to understanding how HEOs integrate themselves within their societies and communities. From the initial land grant universities to the more recent Carnegie Community Engagement Elective Classification, different models of engagement and impact have been put forth. This panel will explore these models and practices of engagement. The first paper examines the missions of land grant universities, urban-serving universities, extension programs, and engaged scholarship, identifying overlaps and gaps. The next paper focuses on rural community research conducted in West Texas (the Panhandle and South Plains regions), including the presence of third spaces and the strengths and challenges of these communities. The third paper presents how a regional university has implemented a statewide training program for public defenders. The final paper demonstrates how partnering public libraries can fill the engagement gaps, particularly in rural communities. Attendees will be able to take this knowledge back to their own universities and develop and enhance their own projects to engage with their communities.

3500

CwC #4: SPSA Women: Strategies & Support for Faculty Workload Management

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chairs

Maureen Stobb, Georgia Southern University
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso
Kristyn Karl, Stevens Institute
Alixandra Yanus, High Point University
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago

Discussants

Andrea Eckelman, University of Montevallo
Jamie Scalera Elliott, Kennesaw State University
Susan Haire, University of Georgia
Mirya Holman, University of Houston
Ling Zhu, University of Houston

Between teaching, research, service, community involvement, and personal life, faculty at every career stage are expected to balance a lot. Join SPSA women for a roundtable discussion about strategies for navigating this balancing act and best practices for departments and institutions to support their faculty members' workload management.

3500

Media and Technology

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Political Psychology

Chair

Stephen Goggin, San Diego State University

Participants

Balloons Floating Far Away: The Role of Media Framing in Shaping Threat Perceptions.
Cana Kim, Arizona State University

Lurking for the Common Good: Does Observing Civil Cross-Party Dialogue on Social Media Lower Polarization?
John Grady Anderson, Florida State University
Emma Barrett, Harvard University
Carlisle Rainey, Florida State University

Who I Want vs. Who I Think Others Want: Eye-Tracking Research of Electoral Information Search
Sota Araki, Waseda University
Yoshikuni Ono, Waseda University
Kairi Sugimoto, Waseda University

Partisan Screens: How Partisan TV Fuels Affective Polarization
Abida Sultana, University of Florida

Changing attitudes towards smart devices in schools using human-AI dialogue
David Gertler Rand, Cornell

Discussant

Stephen Goggin, San Diego State University

3500

Imagining the Possible

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
daniel levine, University of Alabama

Participants
Strange Bedfellows: Nietzsche, the übermensch, and trans joy
Whiskey Sours, CU Boulder
The Witchcraft Legacy: Gendered Enforcement of Fortune-Telling Laws in the U.S.
Deborah Anthony, University of Illinois Springfield
Thinking Women and the critique of masculinity in Plato's Sophist
Ann Ward, Baylor University

Discussant
Megan Gallagher, The University of Alabama

3500

Technology Adoption and Democracy

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Information Technology and Politics

Chair
Lindsey Cormack, Stevens Institute of Technology

Participants
"Just Text Us:" Adoption of TextMyGov text messaging service (SMS) in the Midwest
Courtney Page-Tan, Indiana University Indianapolis
Italian parties and their digitalization. A formal approach
Fulvio Venturino, University of Cagliari
Stefano Rombi, University of Cagliari
The Just Distribution of Technological Goods
Joshua Preston Miller, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Internet Shutdowns and Protest Dynamics in India
Nikita Savin, UCLA

Discussant
Georgiy Syunyaev, Vanderbilt University

3500

Legislating on the Climate

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Environmental Politics and Policy

Chair
Jessica Schoenherr, University of Georgia

Participants
Examining the Impact of District Risk Factors on Climate Change Rhetoric in State Legislative Campaigns
Audrey House, University of South Carolina
Joshua Meyer-Gutbrod, University of South Carolina
Stalled or Rising? Alabama and the Politics of Renewable Energy Transition
Shuang Zhao, UAH
Sophie Thornton, UAH
Arya Amiri, Randolph High school Huntsville
The Political Economy of Climate Policy: Public Opinion, Agenda-Setting, and Democratic Representation
Finnie Zhao, Duke University
U.S. Green State Building, Intercurrence, and the Future of Environmental Policy
Christopher Klyza, Middlebury College

Discussant
Srinivas Parinandi, University of Colorado at Boulder

These papers address how legislation (and the legislative process) grapples with issues related to the climate. The focus here is not only on comparative analyses of actor preferences and incentives, but how differences in legislative process influence divergent policymaking.

3500

Domestic Politics of Global Economic Issues

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

Comparative and International Political Economy

Chair
Jonghoon Lee, Arkansas State University

Participants
Leading to the Revolution: Signaling Dissent through Illicit Activities
Mariam Malashkhia, School of Political Science and Economics at National Taiwan University
Mate Malashkhia, Washington University in St. Louis
Political Cleavages over Supply Chains: Rules of Origin and Preferential Liberalization
Dillon Laaker, Princeton University (Cornell University)
The Third Choice in Condorcet's Paradox: Preference Realignments and the Politics of Status Quo
Jonghoon Lee, Arkansas State University

3500

On the Frontiers of REP Scholarship: New Questions and New Techniques

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Bryant James Moy, New York University

Participants

From Competition to Controversy: The Political Consequences of Racialized Sports Incidents
Kennedy Dionne Harrison, Graduate Student

In Search of Information: An Iterative Approach to Conjoint Experiments
Burcu Kolcak, Princeton University
Ismail K. White, Princeton University

Tolerating the Intolerable? Public Support for Explicitly Racist Speech in the United States
Pleasant Ogedengbe, Valencia College

May I See Your License? How Race and Gender Shape Public Perceptions of Policing in Traffic Stops
Vincent Hutchings, University of Michigan
Byron D"Andra Orey, Jackson State University
Mason Holland, University of Michigan
Robert Mickey, University of Michigan
Chelsea Waddell, University of Michigan

The Politics of Skin Tone: How Does Skin Tone Shape Political Identities and Behavior?
Minhye Joo, Pitzer College
Jieun Park, Concordia College

Discussant
Bryant James Moy, New York University

3500

Law and Doctrinal Evolution in US Courts

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
David Hughes, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Participants

Analyzing the Trump Administration's Efforts to Reverse Legal Precedents on Birthright Citizenship
Bahishta Nadir, Georgia Gwinnett College
James Michael Martinez, Georgia Gwinnett College

Due Process of Natural Law: From Structure to Substance
Joseph S Devaney, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

Rethinking Brandenburg: The Supreme Court’s First Amendment Decisions and Their Inconsistency with the Framers’ Intent
Pooya Safarzadeh, California State University, Northridge

The Supreme Court of the United States as a Reformative Social Movement
Daniel Underwood, Coker College

What became of the doctrine of the saving construction of Chief Justice Roberts?
Daniel Betti, Collin College

Discussant
Todd Curry, University of Texas at El Paso

3500

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Steering - Riverside Building

The Historical Presidency

Presidential and Executive Politics

Chair
Lawrence Rothenberg, University of Rochester

Participants
Influence and the Limits of the Vice Presidency
Richard M. Yon, United States Military Academy
Jay Mawicke, United States Military Academy
Paul Chau, United States Military Academy
Organizing for National Security: How the Eisenhower White House Developed Its National Security Strategy
Brian Robert King, Ohio Northern University
Prudish Presidents: The Gilded-Age Challenge to the Logic of Power Maximization
Jack Greenberg, Trinity College
Reassessing the Vice Presidency of George H.W. Bush: What OVP Archives Reveal
gary wekkin, retired, University of central arkansas

Discussants
Mark Andrew Kelso, Queens University of Charlotte
Huchen Liu, University of Nebraska Omaha

This panel will focus on historical developments in the American presidency (and vice presidency).

3500

Friday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Formal Models of Governance

Formal Theory

Participants
Constraining Bureaucrats, Increasing Information
David Foster, Florida State University
Joseph Warren, University of Alaska Anchorage
Diversity in Committees
Niall Hughes, King's College London
Learning and Incompetence in Government
Carlo Horz, Washington University in St. Louis
Hannah Simpson, Washington University in St. Louis
The Politics of Anti-Corruption: Bureaucratic Sabotage and Collusion
Anna Denisenko, University of Chicago - Harris School

Discussant
Joshua Landry, Oklahoma State University

This panel presents formal analyses of how oversight, selection, and enforcement in political organizations shape strategic behavior and outcomes.

3500

Ice Cream Social

Friday
2:30pm-4:00pm
3rd Floor Ice Cream Social

Meetings

3500

Student Lounge - Friday

Friday
2:30pm-5:00pm
Marlborough

Meetings

A lounge available for all students (both graduate and undergraduate) to take a break and enjoy light refreshments.

3600

Poster Session #2: Marginalized Groups and Public Policy

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
3rd Floor
Breezeway

Poster Session

Chair
Jared McDonald, University of Mary Washington

Participants
Flushing Progress? The Regulatory Function of Bathrooms and the Stalled Movement Towards Gender Inclusion
Emily Rose McKenna, Christopher Newport University
Strengthening Disaster Workforce Communication: A Focus on the Latino Community in Hillsborough County, Florida
Ariana Sofia Albaladejo Barreto, University of Puerto Rico
Elizabeth Dunn, University of South Florida
Jude Ogden, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Ratna Dougherty, University of South Florida
The Impact of State-Level Reproductive Policies on Women's Political Empowerment in the United States
Isabella Knighten, Louisiana State University

3600

Representation, decentralization, and federal relationships

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Institutions

Chair
Joseph Paul Piver, University of Kansas

Participants
Mayors as Autocratic Pawns
Albert Falcó-Gimeno, University of Barcelona
Jaume Magre-Pont, New York University
Pau Vall-Prat, University of Barcelona
Decentralization and Instability
Austin Mitchell, Hiroshima University
Explaining Institutions of Comparative Self-Government: Territorial Autonomy, Quasi-States, and New States
Renat Shaykhutdinov, Florida Atlantic University
Who Blocks Bosnia? Analyzing Veto Player Behavior in a Consociationalist Federation: National and Sub-State Level
Joseph Paul Piver, University of Kansas
Double-edged Swords?: Varieties of Military Elites and Autocratic Survival, 1000-1799 CE
Daniel Smith, Ohio State University
Jan Pierskalla, Ohio State University

Discussant
Joan C. Timoneda, Purdue University

3600

Reconsidering Contextual Considerations and Elections

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Dennis Haggerty, University of Rhode Island

Participants

How recent is recent? A retrospective analysis of inflation and recency bias in U.S. elections
Rishi Gupta, Cambridge Centre for International Research, Ltd

Investigating Overreporting of Voter Turnout in Primary Elections
Zachary Albert, Brandeis University
Eric Miller, Unaffiliated

Midterm Loss in Special Elections: The Presidential Penalty Begins Immediately
Dean Lacy, Dartmouth

Partisan Economic Shocks, the Political Business Cycle, and Presidential Accountability for Fiscal Policymaking
Sean Andrew Cain, Loyola University New Orleans

American Electoral Realignment by Precinct, County, and District
Christopher T Kenny, Princeton University

Discussant
Katelyn Stauffer, University of Georgia

3600

Roundtable: The Politics of the Batman Universe

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
Damien Picariello, USC Sumter

Discussants
Ian Drake, Montclair State University
Matthew Lloyd, DC Comics News

What does Batman have to do with politics? What can Batman's role in Gotham City teach us about democracy? How do Batman's vigilantism and his violence fit within a society committed to the rule of law? What's the relationship between politics in Gotham and politics in our own communities? Join contributors to Politics in Gotham: The Batman Universe and Political Thought as they discuss these issues and more.

3600

Partisanship and Trust in Political Institutions

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Scott Basinger, University of Houston

Participants

Blurring the Lines? Cues and Accountability in Shared Policymaking
Yao Yao, University of Georgia

Citizen Experiences and their Impact on Confidence in Political Authorities and Institutions
Mebs Kanji, Concordia University
Kerry Tannahill, KiND Institute

"Good" Citizens in "Exceptional" Times: the Role of State and Regime Legitimacy
Francesc Amat, University of Barcelona
Riccardo Di Leo, European University Institute

Operationalizing the heuristics of political trust: Traditional, modern, and postmodern
Christopher Tyler Burks, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Stephanie Davis, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

The Racial Typification of Election Officials and Trust in Elections
Isaac Westfall, Auburn University
Soren Jordan, Texas A&M University
Spencer Goidel, Auburn University
Mitchell Brown, Auburn University

There Is Only One Question: Diffuse Institutional Confidence in a Polarized America
Sean Kates, University of Pennsylvania
Jonathan Ladd, Georgetown University
Joshua A. Tucker, New York University

Discussants
Carlos Algara, Claremont Graduate University
James Adams, University of California at Davis

3600

Structural Failures of Governing Institutions in Comparative Perspective

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Latin American and Caribbean Politics

Chair
Ana Carolina de Paula Silva, Tulane University

Participants

A Caribbean Pariah - Venezuela's Impact on the Region
John Augustus Runci, Georgia Southern

From Fertile Soil to the Bronx: How Government Failures in Agriculture and Environmental Policy Drive Puerto Rican Migration
Yazmine N Sibiski, Student

Games of Mutual Extortion: Fuel Theft and Local Electoral Competition in Mexico
Jose Olvera, Tulane University

The State of Exception in El Salvador: Sovereignty, Security, and Human Rights Violations
Adam Golob, Centenary College of Louisiana

Coyotes and the Commodification of Migrants: an Economic and Political Insight into Today's Network
Yasmin Yamilet Falcon, Masters Student

Discussant
Adam Golob, Centenary College of Louisiana

3600

CwC #7: Parties in Autocracies

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Christopher M. Sullivan, Louisiana State University

Participants
Restraining Leviathan: Why strong parties retain term limits
Anne Meng, University of Virginia
Jack Paine, Emory University
The Singapore model of electoral party dominance
Lee Morgenbesser, Griffith University
Milan Svolik, Yale University
Authoritarian ruling parties and elite purges
Jun Sudduth, Indiana University
Nam Kyu Kim, Korea University

Discussants
Christopher M. Sullivan, Louisiana State University
Daniel L Tavana, Penn State

A panel discussing parties in autocracies.

3600

CwC #11: Constitutional Leadership in America

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Emily Davis, Louisiana State University

Participants
The Need to Educate Leaders for America ' s Constitutional Polity
Paul Carrese, Arizona State University
Who Lays Down the Law? Executive Orders and the Legal Branches
James Stoner, Louisiana State University
The Contested Removal Power Revisited
Jeremy Bailey, University of Florida

Discussant
Nancy Maveety, Tulane University

A panel discussing constitutional leadership in America.

3600

CwC #3: Prosecutors and Litigation

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Miles Armaly, University of Mississippi

Participants
Prosecutors and Courts between Law Enforcement and Rights Protection: Insights from the COVID - 19 - Pandemic in Chile.
Mariana Llanos, German Institute for Global and Area Studies
Pablo Pizarro, University of Barcelona
Cordula Tibi Weber, German Institute for Global and Area Studies

Specialization on the Bench: The Impact of Intimate Partner Violence Courts on Judicial Outcomes
Carmen Ramírez Folch, European University Institute
Joan-Josep Vallbé, University of Barcelona

Separatin g Prosecutor from Policy: How Platforms and Prosecutor Identity Impact Representation and Trust in the Criminal Justice System
Joshua Boston, Bowling Green State University
Anna Gunderson, University of Texas
David Miller, American University
Kirsten Widner, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Loyalty, Competency, and Diversity: Judicial Selection of U.S. Immigration Judges
Sara Heridia, Emory University

Discussants
Jessica Schoenherr, University of Georgia
Abigail Hassett, Transylvania University

A panel discussing prosecutors and litigation.

3600

CwC #2: New Frameworks to Address Critical Questions for the Field

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Participants
Comprehensibility: Addressing the gap between governance complexity and public administrative literacy
Brad Johnson, University of Nevada-Reno

Proposing A Framework for Transdisciplinary Evidence - Based Policy
Jay Rickabaugh, North Carolina State University

Understanding the (Marginal) Local Gender Agenda: Explanations and Priorities
Liliana Deyanira González Viveros, Center for Research and Teaching in Economics (CIDE)

An Institutional Analysis: Factors Influencing City Manager Tenure in Texas
Osama Ahmed, University of North Texas
Simon Andrew, University of North Texas

A panel discussing new frameworks to address critical questions for the field.

3600

CwC #1: Sustaining Democracy: Teaching Election Administration in the Classroom

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Amanda Clark, University of Texas-Dallas

Discussants
Barsky Christina, University of Vermont
Martha Kropf, University of North Carolina at Charlott
Shaniqua Williams, West Virginia University

A roundtable discussing sustaining democracy: teaching election administration in the classroom.

3600

Propaganda, State Run Media & Political Communication

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Charity Butcher, Kennesaw State University

Participants
Anti-Corruption as Propaganda: Evidence from China's Official News Broadcasts
Tianhui Wu, University of Iowa
How Taiwanese Media Fuels China's Domestic Propaganda
Andrew Devine, Tulane University
Tracking Propaganda Themes and Civilian Harm Around Key Events in the Russian-Ukrainian Conflict with Dynamic Topic Models
Bakhytzhan Oskeyeva, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
When Propaganda Sings: How The Internationale Shapes Political Attitudes in China
Yuyang Pu, University of Pittsburgh
Dongshu Liu, City University of Hong Kong
Li Shao, Zhejiang University
Le Bao, City University of Hong Kong
Framing Neurotechnology Imaginaries: A Comparative Study of Brain–Computer Interface Reporting in Chinese and Singaporean Media
Xin Tong, University of Tennessee

Discussant
Charity Butcher, Kennesaw State University

Papers examine propaganda efforts and state run media coverage in a variety of national contexts.

3600

Campaigns, the Courts and Christian Nationalism

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

Religion and Politics

Chair
Sean Theriault, University of Texas-Austin

Participants
Evangelical Fragmentation and Political Polarization in the Age of Trump
Matthew J Burger, St. Mary's College of Maryland
From Theology to Ideology: The Scholarly Reframing of 'Christian Nationalism'
Jack Byham, Texas A&M International University
Desi Vásquez, Texas A&M International University
Andrea Arias, Texas A&M International University
Audrey Ayline Castillo, Texas A&M International University
Richard Marcy, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada
Make America Biblical Again: The Biblicalism of Trumpism and White Christian Nationalism
Jonathan Keller, Barnard College, Columbia University
The Religion Clauses and the Fourteenth Amendment: Towards An Originalist Settlement
David R Upham, University of Dallas, Politics Department. St Thomas University College of Law

Discussants
Sean Theriault, University of Texas-Austin
Christopher Chapp, St. Olaf College

3600

Race and Respectability Politics Strategies

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Lakeytta Bonnette-Bailey, Howard University

Participants
Ideological Moderation in Black Women Candidates on Twitter
Jalen Ward, UC Davis
Let the Church say Amen: Redefining the Black Church in Black millennials Political Engagement Process
Donovan A. Watts, Auburn University
Respectability Politics and the Mobilization of Latinxs, Asian Americans, and Women
Miranda Sullivan, University of Texas at Austin
Between a Black and Hard Place: Racial Authenticity in American Politics
Karlee Lynne Kimbrell, University of Georgia

Discussant
Lakeytta Bonnette-Bailey, Howard University

3600

CwC #4: SPSA Women: Connections & Conversations Networking Cafe

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Shamira Gelbman, Wabash College

Discussants
Mirya Holman, University of Houston
Ling Zhu, University of Houston
Katelyn Stauffer, University of Georgia
Sharon Austin, University of Florida
Renee G. Scherlen, Appalachian State University
Ellen Key, Appalachian State University
Andrea Eckelman, University of Montevallo
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso
Kristyn Karl, Stevens Institute
Maureen Stobb, Georgia Southern University
Alixandra Yanus, High Point University
Maya Fields, University of Central Florida
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago

Join SPSA Women for a networking session across the discipline -- all SPSA conference attendees are welcome! This interactive opportunity is designed to encourage meaningful connections despite a short amount of time. Attendees will engage in a series of brief, small group conversations - each person will participate in a subfield research conversation designed to foster collaboration before self-selecting two additional topics. This format encourages efficient networking while also helping scholars connect across the field. Whether you're seeking research partners, career advice, or new perspectives, this networking cafe is designed to foster valuable professional relationships in a fun, informal setting

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3600

Risk, Fear, and Stress

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Political Psychology

Chair
Lakeytta Bonnette-Bailey, Howard University

Participants
The Pathologization of Ideological Differences and its Political Risks
Marcos Lüdy, Universidad del CEMA (Buenos Aires, Argentina)
The Political Psychology of Insecurity: How Fear of Crime Shapes Preferences for Punishment Over Redistribution
Sofia Rivera Sojo, Vanderbilt University
The Politics of Memory: Partition Trauma and Bengali Identity in Bangladesh
Aheli Bose, Louisiana State University
Jas M. Sullivan, Associate Professor
Uncalculated Risks: Why Some Americans Engage in Risky Political Behavior
Jamie Nelson, University of Utah

3600

Leadership, Hegemony, and Democracy

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Alexios Alexander, Eastern University

Participants
Hegemony: the missing concept in the American scholar's toolkit
Pedro Moreira, Texas Christian University
Re-politicization and the Question of Semi-Charismatic Power: Louis Althusser, Lukács György, and Wang Guangmei
Yichuan Zhou, Tsinghua Institute for Advanced Study in Humanities and Social Sciences
Liberty through Authority: Bolivar's interpretation of Enlightenment
Vicente Mandujano, University of Houston
Applying Systems Theory to Domestic Political Systems
Charles Hantz, Danville Area Community College

Discussant
Zach Durec, University of California, Davis

3600

Undermining Human Rights Through Action and Inaction

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Human Rights

Chair
Cody Eldredge, Oakland University

Participants
An Insight into Palestine Conflict & Role of United Nations: A Human Rights Perspective
AYUSH KUMAR, Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY OF DELHI
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
Digital Repression: How Authoritarian and Democratic Governments Undermine Human Rights through Digital Censorship
Farjana Akter, The University of Memphis
The Paradox of Piety: Religious Insurgents, Exclusiveness, and Sexual Violence
Bongjoo Peter Kim, University of Missouri
Why Do Some Rebel Groups Commit More Human Rights Abuses Than Others ?
Olusegun Nicholas Somide, University of Tennessee
From Paper to Payment: How Bureaucratic Bias Impacts Domestic Reparations Implementation
Claire Greenstein, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Negotiating the Past: A Comparative Study of Bargaining Power in Transitional Justice
Jessica M Walker, PhD Candidate

Discussant
Cody Eldredge, Oakland University

3600

Inequality and Policy

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Chair
Carter Wilson, Northern Michigan University

Participants
Beyond Recidivism: Examining the Impact of Social Policy Access on Justice-Involved Individuals' Health Outcomes
Michaela Cushing-Daniels, University of Pittsburgh
Licensing, Labor-Market Access, and Perceived Unemployment Difficulty
Julia Valdes, Indiana State University
Are Gig Jobs Stepping Stones or Dead Ends?: Evidence from Conjoint Experiments
Juhyun Bae, University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley

Discussant
Andrea Barrick, Radford University

3600

Race, Capital and Politics in Global Cities

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

Comparative and International Political Economy

Chair
Alfonso Gonzales, UC Riverside

Participants
The Impact of Neoliberal Restructuring on Latino/a/x Workers in the Logistics and Warehousing Sector of the Inland Empire
Pedro Freire, University of California, Riverside
Latino Las Vegas: Labor, Law of Accumulation and the Evermore Brutal Social Relations of Capital
Alfonso Gonzales, UC Riverside
Race, Class, and the Marxist Critique of the State
DeVin Johnson, UCR
Neo-Liberal Capitalism and its Impact on Coffee Market in Tanzania and Colombia
Murrell Brooks, Soka University of America

Discussants
Alfonso Gonzales, UC Riverside
Pedro Freire, University of California, Riverside

This panel will feature a generation of emerging and established scholars analyzing the relationship between race and the political economy in urban spaces. The scholars are particularly focused on comparative analyses of urban centers such as New Orleans and Cartagena, Colombia, the Inland Empire of California, as well as Philadelphia and São Paulo, Brazil. These cities exemplify how racialized identities are simultaneously commodified and valorized within industry, while facing spatial policing and criminalization. Scholars in this panel are interested in the ways that race, social polarization, commodification, labor, and criminalization play out in the politics of comparative global cities.

3600

Journal of Politics Meet the Editors Roundtable

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
Timothy Hellwig, University at Buffalo

Discussants
Timothy Nokken, Texas Tech University
Amy Catalinac, New York University
Olga Shvetsova, Binghamton University
Nicholas Tampio, Fordham University
Julie Wronski, University of Mississippi

This roundtable offers the opportunity to meet the editorial team at the Journal of Politics to discuss the process of publishing one of political science's top journals.

3600

Fresh Perspectives on US Supreme Court Decision Making

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Sara Benesh, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee

Participants

Assessing the Impact of the Scope of Conflict on U.S. Supreme Court Justices' Voting in Federal Agency Cases
Matthew Cooper, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Predicting Coalescence in Supreme Court Oral Arguments
Jake Truscott, University of Florida
Hunter Lee Tierman, University of Florida

The Supreme Court and Ideological Cohesion: A Cross-Time Study of Chief Justice Courts
Drew Lanier, Univ of Central Florida
Mark Hurwitz, SPSA

The Supreme Court's Shadow Docket
Pamela C Corley, Southern Methodist University
Adam Feldman, California State University, Northridge; EmpiriLaw, Inc.

Discussant
Amy Steigerwalt, Georgia State University

3600

Policymaking in Health & Welfare

Friday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Chair
Jingjing Gao, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

Participants

Examining the Roles of Cultural Value Predispositions, Perceived Knowledge, and the Provision of Risk-Related Information on Covid-19 Mitigation Policy Support
Creed C Tumlison, California State University - Bakersfield

Federalism and Retrenchment in SNAP: Trump Era Changes in Historical Context
Tracy Marie Roof, University of Richmond

Medicaid expansion and economic growth
Liam Malloy, University of Rhode Island
Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz, University of Maryland College Park

State Differences in Telehealth Adoption and Prenatal Care Utilization During the COVID-19 Pandemic
Maria Livaudais, CSU East Bay
Kristina Wharton, CSU East Bay

Discussant
Grant W Neeley, University of Dayton

3700

Political Theory, Philosophy, and Ideology

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Undergraduate Research

Chair
Megan Gallagher, The University of Alabama

Participants

A Proud American Settler Identity… of Manipulation: A Study of Settler Colonialism, The French and Indian War, and the American Revolution
James Danziger, Williams College

Market Intuition Theory: Exploring Political-Economic Decision Making & Critiquing Neoliberalism
Gabriel James Spathelf, Student

Social Contract Theory and the Modern State: How Philosophical Foundations Shape Political Outcomes
Mary Emily Wrzesinski, University of Arkansas - Monticello

The Impact of European Imperialism on the Mental Health of Irish and Congolese Citizens
Sabrina Marie Garcia, North Carolina A&T State University

The Platonian Roots of Modern (Western) Education
Jack Chiasson, University of Arkansas - Monticello

Beyond Morality: The Postmodern era and Political Theory
Finn Moyer, History student at Tennessee Tech University

Discussant
Megan Gallagher, The University of Alabama

3700

Politics, Bureaucracy, and Policy Making

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Bureaucratic Politics

Chair
Matheus Cosso, University of Chicago

Participants

Advice and Consent in the American Civil War: Senate Voting on Military Nominations
Gary Hollibaugh, University of Pittsburgh
Tyson Chatagnier, University of Houston

Rulemaking in the American Immigration Bureaucracy
Angelo Dagonel, Harvard University

Why Germany Tied Its Own Hands: Bureaucratic Ideational Entrepreneurship and the Debt Brake
Milena Petrovic, Tulane University

Bureaucratic incentives and behavior under authoritarianism: Kazakhstan and Russia
Guzel Garifullina, University of Richmond

Discussants
Matheus Cosso, University of Chicago
Angelo Dagonel, Harvard University

3700

Rethinking Power and Strategy in International Relations

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

International Organizations, Foreign Policy, and IR Theory

Chair
Kerin Shilla, George Washington University

Participants

Germany Unbound? The Surprising Development of Increased German Power
Sarah Elise Wiliarty, Wesleyan University

Global Influencers: Middle Powers in International Politics
Arthur A Stein, UCLA

Political Myth in Foreign Policy: The Case of the Intemrarium
Alicja McGarrigle, Regent College

The Small State in International Relations: Empirical Assessment of a Concept
Marijke Breuning, University of North Texas
Afolabi Toye, University of North Texas

Conceal or Reveal? Strategic Signaling in Military Technology
Jonathan Walberg, University of Virginia

Discussant
Nikola Mirilovic, University of Central Florida

3700

Military Power

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Camp - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Matthew C Millard, Air University

Participants
Force Multipliers or Cannon Fodder? The Evolving Battlefield Role of Russian PMSCs from Syria to Ukraine
Indrapal Gurjar, School Of International Studies, Jwaharlal Nehru University, NEW Delhi
How to Build a Better Counterinsurgent: Armed State-building and Leader-centric Warfare in Afghanistan and Iraq
Richard Ledet, Troy University
David Hayes, Troy University
Mapping the Private Military and Security Industry Worldwide: A Data-Driven Approach
Ori Swed, Texas Tech
Connor Perry, Texas Tech
"Racial Inequality and Military Effectiveness: The US During the Vietnam War"
Sarmad Chaudhry, Emory University
Dan Reiter, Emory University
The Present and Future of the United States Space Force
Robert M Farley, University of Kentucky

Discussants
Matthew C Millard, Air University
Steven Beard, University of Colorado

3700

Issue Salience and Ideological Constraint

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Ryan DeTamble, Oklahoma State University

Participants
From Settled to Central: How Dobbs Reshaped Issue Salience in U.S. Elections
Patricia Joyce Hull, University of Mississippi
Ideas Matter! Political Ideology in India
Nicholas Haas, Aarhus University
Rajeshwari Majumdar, The George Washington University
Partisan Ideological Constraint (in Their Own Words)
Donald P. Green, Columbia University
Emma Swanson, Columbia University
Emily Anne West, Assistant Professor, University of Pittsburgh
Why are external threats perceived through a partisan lens?
Itamar Yakir, Yale University
Nicholas Sambanis, Yale University

Discussants
Robert Vidigal, Vanderbilt University
David Barker, American University

3700

Political Systems and State Building in Latin America and the Caribbean

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Latin American and Caribbean Politics

Chair
Jermaine Young, HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Participants

Anti-Communist Action: Ideology's Role in Guatemala's Continued Recognition of Taiwan
William Gray, Ph.D. Student

Breaking Up with Taipei, Getting Back with Beijing: Nicaragua’s Diplomatic Love Triangle
Jose Francisco Urias, University of Southern California

From Democracy to Dictatorship: How Nicaragua Turned into a One-Party State
Charles Gerard Ripley, Arizona State University

The Resilience of Democracy in Latin America: Anchoring Institutions During an Era of Backsliding
James Bowen, Saint Louis University

The Politics of void opportunities: protest, manipulated openings, and authoritarian consolidation in Nicaragua
Sergio M. Cabrales, Universidad Rafael Landívar

Discussant
Brady Shrader, West Virginia University

3700

CwC #2: Policy Impacts of Regional Governance

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Participants

Governing the Region: Voting Power, Institutional Rules, and Representation Disparities in Regional Intergovernmental Organizations (RIGOs)
Shuwen Zhang, University of Macau, China

Confronting uncertainty: Exploring the potential of American regional governance
Jen Nelles, Oxford Brookes University/University of Illinois - Chicago

Does Functional Integration of Public Services Mitigate the Negative Consequences Produced by Politically Fragmented Regions?
Jered Carr, University of Illinois - Chicago
Michael Siciliano, University of Illinois - Chicago

The Governance of Eviction: How Institutional Landlords and Neighborhood Structures Shape Housing Instability
Simon Andrew, University of North Texas
Michael Craw, The Evergreen State College
Ahmed Eraky, University of North Texas

Who governs the unhoused urban and service arena? Governance patterns of a top-down collaborative template
Pepe Sánchez, University of Colorado - Denver

A panel discussing policy impacts of regional governance.

3700

CwC #1: Costs and Emergencies of Running Elections

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill D - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Rachel Orey, Bipartisan Policy Center

Participants
Who Pays for Elections: The Division of State and Local Legal Responsibilities
Julie Hochsztein, CEIR
Shaniqua Williams, West Virginia University
The Road to Widespread Deployment of VVSG 2.x - Certified Voting Systems
Will Adler, Bipartisan Policy Center
Theo Menon, Bipartisan Policy Center
An Election Come Hell or High Water: The Effects of Hurricane Damage on Perceptions of Election Integrity
Martha Kropf, University of North Carolina at Charlott
Regina Branton, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Erik Herron, University of West Virginia
Daniel Sledge, University of Texas
Herschel Thomas, University of Texas

Discussant
Quin Monson, Brigham Young University

A panel discussing costs and emergencies of running elections.

3700

Tracing Political Speech in Media

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Lindsey Cormack, Stevens Institute of Technology

Participants
Policy Announcements and Online Discourse: A Quasi-Experimental Analysis of Technical Language and Engagement on Reddit
Alice Chen, N/A
Nostalgia for Republican China: Memory, Identity and Legitimacy in the Post-Mao Era
Qiang Zhang, Harvard Kennedy School
Oops! Media Coverage of Gaffes in Presidential Campaigns
Bethany Bowra, Florida Gulf Coast University
Sean Ewing, Florida Gulf Coast University
Political Geography and Congressional Candidate Rhetoric
Songeun Emily Lee, University of Houston
Jennifer Hayes Clark, University of Houston
Speaking with the Enemy: Voter Evaluations of Politician Media Choices
Thomas Gift, UCL
Carlos Lastra, IE University

Discussant
Christopher B Wlezien, University of Texas at Austin

This panel unpacks the impact of policy announcements on social media engagement, politician's likelihood of using social media and their social media choices, state run media policy reversals, and presidential gaffes.

3700

Historiography in LGBTQIA+ Politics

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

LGBTQ Politics

Chair
Tiffany WILLOUGHBY-HERARD, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

Participants
Durably Increasing Transphobia? The Effect of British Colonialism on Anti-Transgender Attitudes in India
Joshua Goetz, University of California, Los Angeles
Emily Ortiz, University of California, Los Angeles
Holistically Incorporating LGBTQ+ Content Throughout the Political Science Discipline
James Mcquiston, Southern Arkansas University
The Marys Go to Court: A Trans Reading of Pauli Murray's "Protest Against the Legal Status of the Negro"
Jess Hasper, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

3700

Democracy in Action: Theories and Practices of Participation

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Public Administration

Chair
Christopher Acuff, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Participants
Propaganda and Public Administration: From Historic Narratives to Contemporary Governance Challenges
Courtney Harris, University of Louisiana Monroe
Jennifer Dumas, University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM)
Shadow Factions: The Dictator’s Local Dilemma
Yuge Wang, University of Georgia
Queering Participation: Reimagining Democratic Engagement in Public Administration
Ashley E Nickels, Kent State University
Caraline Feairheller, Kent State University
Governing from the Ground Up: Discretion, Disillusionment, and the Politics of Encounter at the U.S.–Mexico Border
María Verónica Elías,, The University of Texas at San Antonio
The Democratic Potential of National Parks and Emerging Risks
Thomas Bryer, University of Central Florida
From Forecasts to Action: How Information Flows Shape Collaboration in Emergency Management
Rashed Mosharref, University of Oklahoma

Discussant
Christopher Acuff, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

3700

CwC #4: SPSA Women: Business Meeting

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Shamira Gelbman, Wabash College

Discussants
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso
Kristyn Karl, Stevens Institute
Maureen Stobb, Georgia Southern University
Alixandra Yanus, High Point University
Maya Fields, University of Central Florida
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago

SPSA Women's business meeting.

3700

Socialization and Engagement

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Kobacoff - Riverside Building

Political Psychology

Chair
Ray Block, Pennsylvania State University

Participants
Perseverance in the Nation’s Capital: Examining the Motivations of DC’s Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners
Claire McCafferty, American University
Mandi Bailey, American University

Civic Disengagement in Democracies: The Moral Psychology of Political Disaffection
Phillip Pinell, UW Madison

Not in my Store: Visible Partisanship and the Rejection of Social Interactions
Adrien Halliez, Drake University

The Role of Partisan in Forming Romantic College Relationships
Abigail Ann Hamill, Ohio Northern University

Fatigue in Response: Rethinking the Relationship between Responsiveness and Political Trust in China
Rongxin Li, Jinan University
Yong Li, Shanghai Maritime University

3700

The City in Speech and Speech in the City

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Terry Hughston, University of Alabama

Participants
Minding One's Own Business: Socratic Political Philosophy and the City
Samuel Hage, Tulane University
Setting the City in Motion: Politics and Natural Science in Plato's Timaeus
Evan Coulter, University of Texas, Austin
The City in Song: Origins, Music, and Political Life in Rousseau
Nicholas Allmaier, Clemson University
Socrates' Dream and the Possibility of Platonic Political Philosophy in the Crito
Matthew Oberrieder, Rogers State University

Discussant
daniel levine, University of Alabama

According to the classical tradition, and articulated most famously by Aristotle, human beings are by nature both rational and political animals. As Aristotle goes on to say, politics is prior by nature to the human being; humanity as such, that is, is impossible without the rational faculty developed by communal living. Speech (logos) comes to sight as logically prior but ontologically posterior to political life: politics is the subject of speech by political philosophers, who debate about justice and the advantageous, but politics also presupposes the ability to speak and reason about these same subjects. This panel explores speech as both the sine qua non of the practice of politics, and also the means by which theorists treat the subject of political life.

3700

Government Leaders & Public Policy

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Norwich - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Chair
Dylano Bemelen, Lamar University

Participants
Influence of National Government on International Student Mobility: A Case study of the US and UK Between 1997 and 2020
zoya kaleem, Doctoral student
Retreat or Rebalance? Analyzing the Impact of President Trump's First-Term Trade Policies on the U.S. Economy and Globalization Dynamics
Kwesi Atuaful Quansah, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
How Policymaker Demographics Impact Federal Anti-Human Trafficking Bill Sponsorship Success
Maria Marcella Burns, University of Houston
Jennifer Clark, University of Houston

Discussant
Tracy Marie Roof, University of Richmond

3700

Global Economic Governance

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

Comparative and International Political Economy

Chair
Jamie Scalera Elliott, Kennesaw State University

Participants
Leaders' Tenure, Domestic Political Costs and IMF Programs in Developing Countries
Oluwaseun Emmanuel Okajare, Texas Tech University
Production Networks and Tariff Concessions in GATT Trade Negotiations
Timm Betz, Washington University in St. Louis
Paul Binder, LMU Munich
State Capacity and Central Bank Independence
Wen-Yang Chang, National Chengchi University
Status Seeking of Middle Power in Global Marine Plastic Governance: A case of Japan's Policy
Masatoshi Yokota, Tokyo University of Science
Why Didn't the World Push Back? Institutional Paralysis and Strategic Restraint in the Face of Trump's WTO Tariff Offensive
Wayne Tan, GIoIP of NCHU, Taiwan

Discussant
Jamie Scalera Elliott, Kennesaw State University

3700

People of Color and Their Immigration Attitudes

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Stella Rouse, Arizona State University

Participants
Beyond Boundaries: Identity, Threat, and Intra-Group Politics in Black Immigration Attitudes
Pleasant Ogedengbe, Valencia College
Myunghee Kim, University of Central Florida
Immigrant Latine Racial Identity and Their Mental Health During The Second Trump Presidency
Gabriel Elias Martinez, The University of New Mexico
Mobilized by Family: Resilience and Political Action in Children of Undocumented Parents (CUPs)
Linette Sanchez, University of Texas at Austin
Moving Where They Are Welcome? State Immigration Policies and Immigrants' Internal Migration Decisions
Hans Lueders, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

Discussant
Stella Rouse, Arizona State University

3700

Author Meets Critics: Saladin Ambar's Murder on the Mississippi: The Shocking Crimes That Shaped Abraham Lincoln

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Steering - Riverside Building

Presidential and Executive Politics

Chair
Justin Vaughn, Coastal Carolina University

Discussants
Saladin Ambar, Rutgers University
Jamie Carson, University of Georgia
Richard M. Yon, United States Military Academy

This panel will feature a robust discussion of Saladin Ambar's recent book, Murder on the Mississippi: The Shocking Crimes that Shaped Abraham Lincoln (Diversion). Amid the string of murders on the American frontier, Lincoln faced the loss of his first love—and a descent into suicidal despair. Yet from this darkness, he emerged with a renewed purpose, one that would define his leadership in the fight for democracy, human freedom, and the rule of law. In Murder on the Mississippi, Ambar unearths the horrors that shaped a young Abraham Lincoln's worldview, pushing him to find his political voice in one of the earliest and most pivotal speeches of his career. Confronted by lawlessness, racial terror, and his own inner demons, Lincoln's battle was political and deeply personal. From the flames of mob violence rose a young Lincoln, forged in fire and soon to contend with a nation at war with itself.

3700

Access to Justice: Representation in the Courts

Friday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Lisa Holmes, The University of Vermont

Participants
Lawless Lands: The Political Causes and Consequences of Legal Deserts
Rachel Paine Caufield, Drake University
Politicians Help Citizens Access Justice: Evidence from India
Saloni Bhogale, University of Wisconsin-Madison
The Politics of Asylum in the USA: Central America Case Study
Adam Golob, Centenary College of Louisiana
Climate Litigation and the Judicialisation of Climate Policy: A Shift in the Balance of Democratic Governance?
Cristina Aragao Seia, CEJEIAUniversidade Lusiada - Faculdade de Direito

Discussant
Tao L Dumas, The College of New Jersey

3800

SPSA President's Address

Friday
6:30pm-7:30pm
Jefferson Ballroom
- 3rd Floor

Meetings

3900

President's Reception

Friday
7:30pm-9:00pm
St. James Ballroom
- 3rd Floor

Meetings

3900

3900 — AV Group Saturday

Saturday
12:00am-11:55pm
Fulton - 3rd Floor

Meetings

4900 — AV Group Saturday

Saturday
12:00am-11:55pm
Fulton - 3rd Floor

Meetings

4900 — Registration - Saturday

Saturday
7:00am-2:00pm
3rd Floor
Registration

Meetings

4100 — Lactation Room - Saturday

Saturday
7:30am-6:00pm
Warwick - 3rd Floor

Meetings

Key entry only. Come to the SPSA Office for assistance accessing the room.

4100

Comparing Constitutions and Courts Across Borders

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Institutions

Chair
Anthony Wayne Hobert, Winthrop University

Participants
Judicial Override in Alabama
Madison Harley, Winthrop University
Amending Eternity
Armon Robinson, Winthrop University
Similar Systems, Divergent Rights: Abortion Jurisprudence in the U.S., Canada, and Spain
Benjamin Byrd, Winthrop University
Clemency or Condemnation: Gendered Stereotypes in Psychiatric Labeling on the Death Penalty Across States
Sarah Lynn Gonzalez, Winthrop University
The Subjectivity and Near Impossibility of Gaining Global Legitimacy as an Unrecognized
Olivia Whitfield, Winthrop University

Discussant
Anthony Wayne Hobert, Winthrop University

Scholars will submit research pertaining to the ways that Constitutions and judicial practices can differ across, both across U.S. state borders, and between countries. Papers can focus on empirical research, normative and legal analysis, or both.

4100

Bureaucratic Behavior, Accountability, and Social Outcomes

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Bridge - Riverside Building

Bureaucratic Politics

Chair
Guzel Garifullina, University of Richmond

Participants
The supply side of bureaucratic career systems: Agencies as ideological habitats
Maxwell Allamong, University of Houston
Manuel Teodoro, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Seung-Ho An, University of Arizona
The Effects of COVID-19 on State-level Environmental Agencies
JoyAnna Hopper, University of Scranton
Delivering Public Services via Faith-Based Organizations: A Cross-Policy Experiment in the US
Kenneth J Meier, American University
Corbin M Walls, American University
Fire At Will: Civil Service Reform and Bureaucratic Accountability
Dan Alexander, University of Rochester
Ruth E Holloway, University of Rochester
How Ideas, Liberty, and Institutions Shape Cronyism
Matheus Cosso, University of Chicago
Unpacking Informality in the Global South: Lessons from the case of Solid Waste Management in Patna
Shubham Shekhar, O. P. Jindal Global University

Discussants
Guzel Garifullina, University of Richmond
Ruth E Holloway, University of Rochester

4100

Competing Narratives and Strategies of Influence in Foreign Policy

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

International Organizations, Foreign Policy, and IR Theory

Chair
Kerem Gülay, Koç University & ASIL

Participants

Considering and Categorizing Hard and Soft Power
Aaron Mannes, University of Maryland School of Public Policy

The Rise of Russian Propaganda in the Remnants of the Communist World: When Global Market Integration and Misinformation Mingle
Nikolay Anguelov, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

US-Latin American Relations: The Trump Anomaly or a Logical Outcome of the Historical Relationship?
Walt Vanderbush, Miami University

Differences Amid Consensus: Comparing American and Canadian Political Support for the 2019 Hong Kong Protests
Kelvin Chun-Man Chan, The University of Texas at Dallas
Theodore Charm, The University of Texas at Austin

Discussant
Linggong Kong, Auburn University

4100

Drivers of Engagement in Polarized America

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Camp - 3rd Floor

Political Participation and Civic Engagement

Chair
Sarah Heise, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Participants

Civic Friendship in the Age of Trump
Saladin Ambar, Rutgers University
Gbemende Johnson, University of Georgia
Drew A. Kurlowski, Coastal Carolina University
Justin Vaughn, Coastal Carolina University

From Baby Boomers To Gen Z: A Correlational Analysis On Voter Turnout And Social Media Engagement In The 2020 U.S. General Election
Nicolas Williams, Georgia State University

The Polarization of the Voting Process
david niven, University of Cincinnati

Voting Through the Storm: Electoral Engagement and Congressional Behavior After Hurricane Helene
Veronica Judson, Western Carolina University
Sean Whyard, We

Discussant
Sarah Heise, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

4100

Public Opinion in International Relations

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University

Participants
Does Public Opinion Matter? The Impact of American Public Opinion on International Trade Policy
Jiaxin Dong, Peking University
From Passion to Pragmatism: Economic Priming and South Korean Support For Reunification
Timothy Steven Rich, Western Kentucky University
Lydia Crisp, Western Kentucky University
Politics Across the Pond: Party Control of the American Presidency and European Public Trust in the EU
David Macdonald, University of Florida
Public Opinion and Support for Democracy in the Shadow of Militarized Violence
Jane Kitaevich, University of Michigan
Preferences for Conflict Escalation in Israel under Variation in Conflict Costs and Peer Opinion
Itamar Yakir, Yale University
Nicholas Sambanis, Yale University

Discussants
Kathleen Clare Weaver, Tulane University
Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University

4100

Conspiracism, Partisan Media & the Political Right

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Meredith L. Pruden, Kennesaw State U.

Participants
Communicating Political Conspiracies with AI: The great replacement, migration and the construction future of European and American Cities
Joseph Downing, Senior Lecturer Aston University
Wasim Ahmed, Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) in Marketing
From Patron to Persecutor: The U.S. Government's Assault on Disinformation Research in Historical Context
Philip Michael Napoli, Duke University
Hate Crimes and Headlines: How Negative Media Coverage of Immigrants Predicts Violence Toward Minority Groups
Robert Alvarez, Sam Houston State University
Samantha Chapa, University of Notre Dame
Shana Hardin, New American Leaders
Populism and the Use of Conspiracy Theories in Ukraine
Nataliia Kasianenko, California State University, Fresno
Megan Hauser, Kennesaw State University
Voting in the Dark: Partisan media and the rationale for uninformed voting
Marli Wang Dunietz, Florida State University

Discussant
Meredith L. Pruden, Kennesaw State U.

This panel examines conspiracism, partisan media, media coverage of hate crimes, and right-wing government attacks on academic research fields.

4100

CwC #9: Do Institutions Matter in the Authoritarian Context?

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Ning Leng, Georgetown University

Participants
Fragmenting Dissent: How Institutional Engagement Weakens Protest Movements under Authoritarian Rule
Housam Darwisheh, IDE-JETRO, Japan
Strength in Numbers: How Variation in Party Size Impacts the Origins, Evolution, and Durability of Communist Regimes
Martin Dimitrov, Tulane University
Elections and Institutions in Authoritarianism and Democracy
Hiroki Takeuchi, Southern Methodist University (SMU)
Natalya Talih, Southern Methodist University
From Curse to Cooptation: How Resource Conflicts Drive Social Policies in China
Jing Vivian Zhan, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Qin Li, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Discussant
Ning Leng, Georgetown University

A panel discussing the question: "do institutions matter in the authoritarian context?"

4100

Reforming Oversight in an Era of Executive Supremacy

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Presidential and Executive Politics

Chair
Jesse Crosson, Purdue University

Participants
Building Congressional Processing to Respond to Loper-Bright
Soren Dayton, The Foundation for American Innovation
Civil Service Reform: Recent Theoretical and Empirical Work
Daniel Gibbs, Virginia Tech
Making Oversight Great Again: Reforming Congressional Investigations in the Age of Trump
Claire Leavitt, Smith College

Discussant
Henry B. Sirgo, McNeese State University

This panel examines the institutional challenges and opportunities facing executive-congressional relations in an era of rapid legal and political changes. One paper explores how the demise of the Chevron doctrine creates a need for Congress to develop procedural mechanisms that activate legislative decision-making based on expert agency findings. Another critically surveys emerging literature on civil service reform, focusing on the sometimes counterintuitive implications of proposals like Schedule F for bureaucratic accountability and politicization. The final paper analyzes how the Trump administration exposed the fragility of congressional oversight, and offers historical and practical reforms to strengthen investigative capacity in the face of executive resistance. Together, these papers offer a roadmap for rebalance congressional and executive power, focusing on expertise, procedural muscle, and institutional resilience in the post-Chevron era.

4100

CwC #12: Understanding International negotiations and conflict with LLMs

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Ethan C Busby, Brigham Young University

Participants

A Multi - Agent Sys tem for Negotiation Simulation with Large Language Models and the Russia - Ukraine Case
Shuli Zhang, University of Pittsburgh
Yen-Chieh Liao, University of Birmingham

Automating War and Peace : Introducing an AI Agent for Conflict Forecasting
David Muchlinski, Georgia Tech
David Siroky, University of Florida
Yu Wang, University of Florida
Suren Mohammed, University of Florida
Gabe Rigdon, University of Florida
Dilruba Tas, University of Florida

Large Language Models and International Relations Decision Making
Abdullah Yasir Atalan, American University
Ian Reynolds, CSIS
Benjamin Jensen, CSIS

An Intersubjective Sentimental Network Analysis on the 1980s Philippine Military Academy Graduates: Mixed Methods on Yearbook Texts
Julia Parado Gavieta, University of Toronto

Discussants
Jacob Montgomery, Washington University
Eddie Yang, Purdue University
Margaret Smith, West Virginia University
Simone Paci, Stanford University

A panel discussing international negotiations and conflict with LLMs.

4100

CwC #2: Impacts of Local Collaboration

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Participants

What Do We Tell Small Towns? The Effect of Collaborative Mechanism Choice on Sustainable Development in Constrained Communities
Juwon Chung, Indiana University - Bloomington

Effect of Adopting 287(g) Policies on Violent an d Property Crime Rates
Lidia Nuño, Texas State University
Ricardo Massa, Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE)

Does Populist Democratic Backsliding affect the collaborative & democratic features of governance at the local level? A Networks Approach
David Ramirez Benitez, University of Illinois - Chicago

Disparate Impact of Fines and Fees: Implications for Local Government Finance
Libby Hill, University of Virginia
Peter Jones, University of Alabama - Birmingham
Austin Aldag, University of Alabama - Birmingham

A panel discussing the impacts of local collaboration.

4100

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Commerce - 3rd Floor

Nuclear and Technology

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Charles Fagan, Western Carolina University

Participants
Concentration of Agential Power and the Classification of AI as a Weapon of Mass Destruction
Greg Peterson, South Dakota State University
Do Nuclear Weapons Reduce Violence in International Crisis? Evidence from the ICB Dataset
Elena Johnson Lafferty, George Washington University
Is the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Regime resilient? What we have learned from Iranian Nuclear Crisis
Nursin Atesoglu Guney, National Intelligence Academy
Visne Korkmaz, Istanbul Nisantasi University
The Bytes Bite Back: Military Innovation and the Changing Geography of War
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago
The New Nuclear Arms Race: Heading Toward Nuclear Instability?
Charles Fagan, Western Carolina University
Niall Michelsen, Western Carolina University

Discussants
Conner Joyce, Rice University
Charles Fagan, Western Carolina University

4100

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Durham - 3rd Floor

Direct Democracy

State Politics

Chair
Richard Fording, University of Alabama

Participants
A Review of Direct Democracy' Primary Effects at the Subnational Level
Joshua Dyck, University of Massachusetts Lowell
Edward L. Lascher, Jr., California State University, Sacramento
Legislative Supermajorities and Direct Democracy: What is the Relationship Between Supermajority Legislatures and Citizen-Led Initiatives?
Emily O. Wanless, Augustana University
Reynold Nesiba, Augustana University
State Constitutional Amendments and Policy Change: The Comparative Agendas Project for Missouri
James W. Endersby, University of Missouri
Md Nasir Uddin, University of Missouri
Tracking Partisan Polarization on Florida Ballot Measures
Daniel Smith, University of Florida
Abida Sultana, University of Florida

Discussants
Richard Fording, University of Alabama
Daniel Smith, University of Florida

4100

Politics, Policy Making and Institutional Prerogatives

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Latin American and Caribbean Politics

Chair
Brady Shrader, West Virginia University

Participants

Policy in Practice: Evaluating Anti-Human Trafficking Strategies in Latin America and the Caribbean
Renee G. Scherlen, Appalachian State University

When domestic crises lead to international cooperation: Military mobilization under emergency powers and defense cooperation agreements
Emine Ari, University of Arizona

The Politics of Subnational Deforestation in Peru
Moises Arce, Tulane University
Daniel Paul Garcia, Tulane University
Mitchell Nuland, Tulane University

Evaluating Governance, NGO, and External Support Impacts on Caribbean Disaster Management Effectiveness
Pedro Maldonado, American Military University

Discussant
Jermaine Young, HOWARD UNIVERSITY

4100

Parties, interest groups, and compromise in Congress

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Legislative Politics

Chair
Patrick Buhr, Vanderbilt University

Participants

Justifying Dissent: Advocacy, Appropriations, and Intra-Party Conflict
Huchen Liu, University of Nebraska Omaha
Geoff Lorenz, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Comparing the Composition, Effectiveness, and Careerism of Congressional Freshmen in the Age of Trump
Daniel Gomez, New Mexico State University
Sam Fontaine, Wofford College

Long-Term Policymaking Under Polarized Parity
Matt Grossmann, Michigan State University

Negotiation in Legislatures
Andrew Ballard, Florida State University
James Curry, University of Notre Dame

How Do Members of Congress Vote? A Conjoint Experiment of Officeholder Priorities
Stephen Goggin, San Diego State University
Travis Johnston, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Alexander Theodoridis, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

The Role of Relationships in Congress
Jason M Roberts, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
James Curry, University of Notre Dame

Discussant
Patrick Buhr, Vanderbilt University

4100

Politics, Religion, and the Challenges of Commercial Society in Modern Political Thought

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Lee Ward, Baylor University

Participants

A Covenant Renewed: Hobbesian Apocalypse and the End of Oligarchic Time
Boleslaw Kabala, Tarleton State University

Reconciling Theological Norms with Locke's Political Thought
Jacob Rodriguez, Baylor University

John Locke, Sacraments, and Politics
Kevin Matti Kearns, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

On Becoming "Altogether Unwarlike": Comparing the Scots on the Status of Martial Virtues in a Commercial Society.
Will Jordan, Mercer University

Commerce, Modern Statecraft, and the Wealth of Moral Sentiments: Montesquieu and Adam Smith
Constantine Vassiliou, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

Discussants
Joey Barretta, Washington & Lee University
James Stoner, Louisiana State University

In the modern period, political thinkers in England, Scotland, and France grappled with two major challenges: (1) the relation between politics and religion, and (2) the potential morally and politically corrosive effects of commerce. This panel includes a number of papers that examine these important issues from several different perspectives. One group of papers explores the relation between politics and religion in Thomas Hobbes and John Locke. Boleslaw Kabala argues that while Hobbes intended his political theory to neutralize potentially seditious religious doctrines, he also employed apocalyptic rhetoric that overlapped with his religious opponents and indirectly reinforced underappreciated democratic possibilities in Hobbes' work. Jacob Rodriguez and Kevin Kearns focus on Locke. Rodriguez engages with the perennial debate among Locke scholars as to whether Locke is a secular or religious thinker. Rodriguez proposes a third way according to which Locke's Christian and liberal commitments are necessarily interrelated in the epistemic properties of the individual self. Kearns examines the role of the Christian sacraments in Locke's treatment of theology, especially in his often-neglected Paraphrase and Notes on the Epistles of St. Paul and argues that there are serious political implications in Locke's interpretation of the sacraments. A second pair of papers explores Montesquieu and the Scottish Enlightenment response to the challenges of the emerging commercial society. Will Jordan focusses on the concern Scottish thinkers such as David Hume, Adam Ferguson and Adam Smith felt about commercial society's inability to sustain military readiness and martial virtues. Jordan argues that each of these important thinkers offered a unique response to the problem of martial virtue that continues to influence debate in commercial republics today. Constantine Vassiliou compares and contrasts Montesquieu and Adam Smith's proposals for a new civic statecraft in response to the potentially corrosive effects of commerce on liberal governments and society. Vassiliou argues that Smith and Montesquieu sought to encourage future statesmen to harmonize their civic projects to accommodate local prejudices, customs and institutions. In total, this panel offers an in-depth and yet also comprehensive treatment of some of the most important topics in modern political thought

4100

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Elite Behavior-Legislators and Judges

LGBTQ Politics

Chair

Tiffany WILLOUGHBY-HERARD, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

Participants

Hetero-cisnormative Bias in Court Cases
Rachel O'Neal, University of Colorado Boulder

Out of the Closet, into the Chamber: The Behavior of LGBTQ Parliamentarians
Patrick J Edwards, Washington University in St. Louis

“Legislating the Future: Understanding the Stakeholders in Gender Affirming Care Bans”
Anne Caldwell, University of Louisville

Examining Support for Gender-Affirming Care Legislation: A Study of State Legislators
Kimberly Martin Tecklenburg, Georgia Southern University

Frontlash and Trans Rights: Understanding the Republican Party's Anti-Trans Initiatives in the Trump Era
Jesse Rhodes, University of Massachusetts - Amherst
Tim Komatsu, University of Massachusetts - Amherst

4100

China and the Global Economy

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Parish - 3rd Floor

Comparative and International Political Economy

Chair
Robert Shum, SUNY Brockport

Participants

Ask and You Might Receive: Borrower Agency and US-China Competition in Development Finance
Hannah Elyse Sworn, George Washington University

Global Supply Chains, State-Business Relations, and Trade Peace: The U.S.-China Conflict as an Example
Yu Chi Chu, National Chung Hsing University
Wayne Tan, GIoIP of NCHU, Taiwan

Build Your Dream? A Case Study in the Political Economy of EV Trade & Industrial Policymaking
Robert Shum, SUNY Brockport

Ruling by Money: Fiscal Centralization and Authoritarian Resilience in Post-Reform China
Jing Tao, University of Texas at Dallas

Quantifying China's Role in the Global Geography of Money
Russell Cui, Independent Scholar

The Political Economy of Zombie Firms: China's Robotics Industry in Comparative Perspective
Zhu Zhang, Fairfield University

Discussants
Robert Shum, SUNY Brockport
Hannah Elyse Sworn, George Washington University

4100

Theoretical Perspectives on Political Parties: Evolution, Roles, and Impacts

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Pelican - Riverside Building

Political Parties and Interest Groups

Chair
Stephen Voss, University of Kentucky

Participants

A Theory of Rent-Seeking Political Parties
Wayne P Steger, DePaul University

Beyond Policy: Conceptualizing and Evaluating Non-Programmatic Party Competition in Advanced Democracies
Katherine Krimmel, Barnard College
Didi Kuo, Stanford University

Identifying pathways for the organizational transformation of former rebel parties
john ishiyama, University of North Texas

Pathways to Proficiency: Skill Acquisition and the Professionalization of Party Organizations
Joshua Weitz, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Mass–Elite Communication and Policy Preference Divides in South Korea
Dong Wook Lee, Adelphi University
Eunyoung Ha, California State University, Sacramento

Discussant
Stephen Voss, University of Kentucky

4100

Interracial Political Coalitions among People of Color

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Jamil Scott, Georgetown University

Participants
Latino/x and Black American Meta-Perceptions
Angie Ocampo-Roland, University of Pittsburgh
Racial Coalitions in U.S. National Elections, 2008-2024
Carlos Algara, Claremont Graduate University
Michael Latner, Harvard Law School
Lucas Wilder, Claremont Graduate University
Solidarity Goes Both Ways: Coalitional Expectations and Reciprocal Political Support Among Racial and Ethnic Minority Groups
Woohyeon Kim, University of Maryland, College Park
Trusting White Progressives? Black Americans' Candidate Preferences for White Liberals
Irene Barrios, Washington University in St. Louis

Discussant
Jamil Scott, Georgetown University

4100

Human Rights Law in Domestic and International Courts

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Alejandro Francisco Herran Aguirre, Universidad Autonoma de Chiapas

Participants
Examining State Submission to Supranational Human Rights Courts: Evaluating the IACtHR
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso
Strategic Circumvention of Constitutional Checks: Hong Kong's Same-Sex Union Case
Anson Cheuk-Hin Chung, CUNY, The Graduate Center
Terrorism and National Security decisions in the Danish Supreme Court: Does Jurisprudence from the European Court of Human Rights Matter?
Mark McKenzie, Texas Tech University

Discussant
Alejandro Francisco Herran Aguirre, Universidad Autonoma de Chiapas

4100

Governance in a Time of Uncertainty: Regime Instability and Institutional Fragility

Saturday
8:00am-9:15am
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Class and Inequality

Participants

Identifying and Characterizing the Social Factors Influencing Health-Seeking Behavior among Disadvantaged Youth in Monrovia, Liberia.
Kokulo Franklin, Department of Health Policy and Management, Texas A&M University
Christine Crudo Blackburn, Department of Health Policy and Management, Texas A&M University
Brian Colwell, Department of Health Behavior, Texas A&M University

Income Inequality and Political Instability
Mihai Mutascu, West University of Timisoara; Zeppelin University in Friedrichshafen; University of Orléans
Cristina STRANGO, University of Orléans

Revolutionizing Economic Dynamics: Exploring the Implications of Worker Self-Direction on Quality of Life Outcomes
Drew Michael Gaither, Kennesaw State University

4100

SPSA Office Saturday

Saturday
8:00am-6:00pm
Windsor - 3rd Floor

Meetings

4100

Executive Council Meeting II

Saturday
8:30am-10:00am
River Room - Riverside Building

Meetings

4200

Exhibit Area - Saturday

Saturday
9:00am-2:00pm
3rd Floor Breezeway

Meetings

4200

Governments, institutions, and authoritarianism

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Institutions

Chair
Royce A Carroll, University of Houston

Participants

The Role of Outsiders in Democratic and Authoritarian Cabinets
Joan C. Timoneda, Purdue University
Josef Woldense, University of Minnesota

Buffering or Bulwarking? How Monarchies and Personalist Regimes Respond to Political Shocks Through Ministerial Dismissals
NAZIM ERYILMAZ, The University of Kansas

Elite Affective Polarization and Government Formation
Hanna Bäck, Lund University
Royce A Carroll, University of Houston
Johan Hellström, Umeå University
Jonas Lindahl, Umea University

Glass Door: Women's Entry into Politics and Distributive Politics
Alessio Albarello, National University of Singapore
Amy Catalinac, New York University
Kuniaki Nemoto, Musashi University

Discussant
Samuel Okoto Amankwah, Georgia State University

4200

Trump and Republican Voters

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Spencer Goidel, Auburn University

Participants

Election Denialism and GOP Primary Elections: An Empirical Analysis
Jacob Ausubel, George Washington University

Explaining Working Class Republicanism
Alan Ira Abramowitz, Emory University

Incumbency versus Identity: The Influence of Donald Trump in the Louisiana Senate Race
Pearson Cross, University of Louisiana at Monroe
Daniel Hummel, University of Louisiana Monroe
Joshua Stockley, University of Louisiana at Monroe

Michigan: The Blue Wall Crumbles Again
Nicole Asmussen Mathew, Oakland University
David Dulio, Oakland University

Discussant
Spencer Goidel, Auburn University

Papers in this panel explore the impact of Trump on who is and becomes a Republican voter, as well as shifts in his base, and how we understand the Republican party today.

4200

Author Meets Critics Roundtable: "Religious Liberty: A Conservative Primer" by John Wilsey

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

Religion and Politics

Discussants

Glenn A Moots, Northwood University
Michael Federici, Middle Tennessee State University
James Patterson, University of Tennessee Knoxville
Michael Lucchese, Liberty Fund
John Wilsey, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

This “Author Meets Critics” roundtable will discuss John Wilsey's book “Religious Liberty: A Conservative Primer" (Eerdmans). Wilsey advances what he calls "aspirational conservatism" to revive conservatism in an age of postliberalism, populism, and MAGA. Of particular interest to Wilsey is the phenomena of religious postliberalism (the revival of integralism or magisterial Protestantism) and its consequences for liberalism. The panel will discuss the survival of traditional conservatism in an age of populism and MAGA and the religious dimensions of liberalism and postliberalism. Roundtable Participants: James Patterson (University of Tennessee Knoxville), Michael Federici (Middle Tennessee State University), Michael Lucchese (Hudson Institute/Hillsdale/Liberty Fund), Glenn Moots (Northwood University)

4200

Political Integration in Advanced Industrial Societies

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Canal - 3rd Floor

Comparative Politics of Industrialized Areas

Chair

Piper Biery, West Texas A&M University

Participants

Cohesion or Division? Social Integration and the Persistence of Antisemitism in Contemporary Europe
Johnathan Eftink, University of Missouri St Louis

Mobilisation through Marriage: Intra-Household Turnout Spillovers and Women’s Political Incorporation Post-Suffrage
Isobel Kemp, University of Barcelona

The Centrifuge of Music and Politics: Creating and Disintegrating Political Communities
Mark Sachleben, Shippensburg University

Understanding the Nostalgic amongst Us
Ian Down, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Discussant

Piper Biery, West Texas A&M University

4200

Media Coverage of Politicians & Politician's Use of Media

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Bethany Bowra, Florida Gulf Coast University

Participants
Direct Access or Delegated Control? Evaluating Political Leaders' Use of Social Media in Democratic Governance
Rhoda Oni, North Carolina A&T State University
Podcast Adoption Among U.S. Congress Members: An Examination of Partisan and Gender Trends
Lindsey Cormack, Stevens Institute of Technology
Media Bias or Neutrality? How Newspapers Covered Three Cases of Presidential Nepotism
Beth Rosenson, University of Florida
Timing the Message: Electoral Cycles and Official Communication Strategies in the U.S. Senate
Lindsey Cormack, Stevens Institute of Technology
The Price of Going Negative: Gendered Reactions to Candidate Attack Strategies on Twitter
Heather K. Evans, UVA Wise
Jennifer Hayes Clark, University of Houston

Discussant
Anna Fleming, Mercer University

This panel includes studies of politician's use of media, such as social media and podcasts, as well as how media covers politicians.

4200

KiND WORKSHOP: Foundations of Machine Learning: Applications in the Social Sciences with Dr. Jeff Gill

Saturday
9:30am-1:45pm
Churchill A2 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

4200

CwC #9: Regional Studies and Social Sciences in the Authoritarian Context

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Martin Dimitrov, Tulane University

Participants
The Diffusion of Populism and Autocracy
Nicholas Bichay, Indiana University
Andrew Halterman, Michigan State University
Christian Houle, Michigan State University
Shahryar Minhas, Michigan State University
Comparative One-Party Rule: Japan and Mexico Compared
Hiroki Takeuchi, Southern Methodist University (SMU)
Victoria Valderrey, Southern Methodist University
Crying Wolf? Sense of Urgency and Public Willingness for Self-Defense
Ting-Wei Weng, University of St. Thomas
Charles Wu, University of South Alabama
Yao-Yuan Yeh, University of St. Thomas
What Does Democracy Mean to Hong Kong Citizens?
Stan Hok-Wui Wong, University of St. Thomas

Discussant
Martin Dimitrov, Tulane University

A panel discussing regional studies and social sciences in the authoritarian context.

4200

Reforming Courts

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Jesse Crosson, Purdue University

Participants
Embracing Institutional Change
Eileen Braman, Indiana University
Mitigating Perceptions of Political Decision Making: A Modest Supreme Court Proposal
Sara Benesh, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee
The Supreme Court and Sortition: An Ancient Solution for a Modern Problem
James Wallner, R Street Institute & Clemson University
Israeli Judicial Reforms: A Necessary Democratic Correction or an Autocratic Shift?
Jonathan Snow, Roanoke College

Discussant
Logan Strother, Purdue University

With confidence in American institutions at historic lows and policymaking bodies seemingly incapable of addressing an ever-growing list of societal challenges, the idea of institutional reform has grown in popularity across the U.S. This panel will consider potential statutory reforms to the federal judiciary. This includes analysis of the proper scope of judicial authority (as established by Congress under Article III of the Constitution), the politics of authorization of judicial seats (which has key implications for the efficient administration of justice and judicial capacity), and the way Supreme Court justices are selected.

4200

CwC #12: AI in Surveys and Experiments

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Lisa Argyle, Purdue University

Participants

The Emotional Architecture of Populism: The Divergent Effects of Anti - Elite and People - Centric Frames
Jacob Montgomery, Washington University
Ruilin Lai, Washington University
Margit Tavits, Washington University
Christopher Lucas, Washington University

Investigating the Utility of Silicon Sampling in Political Science Conjoint Experiments
Alice Malmberg, UC Davis

Experimental and Observational Inferences from LLMs
Lisa Argyle, Purdue University
Ethan C Busby, Brigham Young University
Joshua Gubler, Brigham Young University
Bryce Hepner, Brigham Young University
Alex Lyman, Brigham Young University
David Wingate, Brigham Young University

An Open - Ended Pandemic? Political and Behavioral Divisions During the Pandemic
Miley Liu, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen
Joshua Clinton, Vanderbilt University

Media Effects and Party Support Volatility in Taiwan: A Synthetic Data Approach
Karl Ho, The University of Texas at Dallas

Discussants
Joshua Gubler, Brigham Young University
Rohan Alexander, University of Toronto
Shuli Zhang, University of Pittsburgh
Chloe Mortenson, Northwestern University
Kolbe Dumas, University of Houston

A panel discussing AI in surveys and experiments.

4200

CwC #2: Smart Cities and Artificial Intelligence

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Participants

Algorithmic Oversight: AI Integration in Urban Permitting and Local Equity
Asma Mehan, Texas Tech University

New Platforms for Old Problems: Linking Community Burdens and Artificial Intelligence in Local Governance
Eric Stokan, University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Aaron Deslatte, Indiana University - Bloomington

Unlocking Inaccessible Data: A Multi - Phase automated web scraping Driven Methodology
Ahmed Eraky, University of North Texas

Seeing No Evil? Social Vulnerabilities, Collective Inference and Organizational Divergence
Aaron Deslatte, Indiana University - Bloomington
Eric Stokan, University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Juwon Chung, Indiana University - Bloomington

A panel discussing smart cities and artificial intelligence.

4200

Third Party Intervention

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Andy Owsiak, University of Georgia

Participants

Foreign Intervention and Civil War: How China Influenced Civil Wars in Sri Lanka and Nepal
Samuel Colt Sutton, Louisiana State University
Christopher M. Sullivan, Louisiana State University

Profit through Peace: Why Third Parties Militarize and Mediate Conflicts
Kasia Houghton, University of St Andrews
Elisa D'Amico, University College Dublin

Proxy Wars and Strategic Alignments: The Influence of U.S. Military Support to Israel on its Relationship with Iran in the Middle East
Richa Bhattarai, Kennesaw State University

Supporting Rebels, Inviting Conflict: Regime Type and the Onset of Militarized Interstate Disputes: A Democratic Peace Theory
Francois Kabre, Auburn University
Peter White, Auburn University

Discussants
Andy Owsiak, University of Georgia
Uchenna Hillprieston Okwara, University of Central Florida

4200

State Politics and Policy Outcomes

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Durham - 3rd Floor

State Politics

Chair
Austin Trantham, Saint Leo University

Participants

The Impact of Political Structures and Partisanship on Student Success
Sasha Siva Sembur, North Carolina State University

State Determinants of Deaths from Firearms
Joseph A. Aistrup, Auburn University
John Morris, Auburn University
Bruce Anderson, Florida Southern College
Martin Mayer, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Rob Kenter, Center for Policing Equity

The Impact of Political Party Control on COVID-19 Outcomes in U.S. States
Trevor Samaha, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

The Interactive Impact of Limited Rental Housing Stock and Rental-Assisted Housing on Segregation.
Samaila Adelaiye, Partnership for Strong Communities

Top Corporate Tax Rate and Inequality in the U.S.
Hakseon Lee, James Madison University

Discussants
Mariliz Kastberg-Leonard, Northwest Missouri State University
Christopher Scott Kirkwood, University of Kentucky

4200

The Gender Politics of Nativism, Xenophobia, and Populism

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Teresa Cornacchione, University of Florida

Participants
Gendered Nativist Attitudes in British Public Opinion
Olyvia Christley, Washington State University
Does Ethnic Threat Shape Fertility Preferences? Experimental Evidence from Israel
Alex Dawn Avery, Washington University in St. Louis
"I'm not supposed to be here tonight": Trump, Invulnerability and Masculinity at the 2024 RNC
Aidan Smith, Tulane University
Women for Trump: The Gendered Influence of Nationalist Appeals
Sheri Rogers, Western Michigan Univeristy

Discussant
Claire Greenstein, University of Alabama at Birmingham

4200

The roles of partisanship and identity in national legislatures

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Legislative Politics

Chair
Regina Branton, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Participants
How Committee Diversity Shapes Race-Related Speech, Evidence Use, and Policy Success in Congress
Jacob Michael Lollis, University of Cincinnati
Negative Representation in the U.S. House of Representatives
Regina Lea Wagner, University of Alabama
Enrijeta Shino, The University of Alabama
Parochialism, Partisanship, and Solidarity: Roll Call Voting of Indigenous Legislators in Taiwan
Jinhyeok Jang, National Sun Yat-sen University
Party Power: Understanding Women's Power in the Legislature
Tracy Osborn, University of Iowa
Anna Mahoney, Dartmouth College
Politics of Position Taking: Rhetoric and Behavior on Social Welfare Policy
Annika Davies, The George Washington University

Discussant
Regina Branton, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

4200

Civil Society and Fairness

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Kenneth B McIntyre, Sam Houston State University

Participants

Deliberative Democratic Leadership: Theorizing the Role of Leaders in Habermas's Discursive Political Theory
Peter Verovsek, University of Groningen

Political Philosophy of Chinese Modernization
Guoli Liu, College of Charleston

The Limits of Rawlsian Reasonable Pluralism
Andrew Kaplan, NA

Discussant
Michelle Schwarze, University of Wisconsin, Madison

4200

Voter Behavior and LGBTQIA+ Politics

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Newberry - 3rd Floor

LGBTQ Politics

Chair
Tiffany WILLOUGHBY-HERARD, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

Participants

Candidate Biases at the Intersection of Age, Gender, and Sexuality: A Vignette Survey Experiment
Courtney Juelich, University of Wisconsin Stout
Joseph Coll, Texas Tech University
Samuel Dean Allen, Texas Tech University

How Gender Presentation Shapes Voter Evaluations of Lesbian and Gay Cabinet Ministers
Joseph Francesco Cozza, Smith College

Queer Eyes for White Guys: How Race and Queerness Shape Mass Politics
Marcel Roman, Harvard University
Alberto Lopez, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

4200

Emerging Comparative Political Economy Issues in Democratic Contexts

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Parish - 3rd Floor

Comparative and International Political Economy

Chair
Thomas Nisley, Kennesaw State University

Participants
De-emphasizing Globalization: Mainstream Party Responses to Populist Right Success
Alex Honeker, Clemson University
Political Polarization and the Economy: Evidence from the United States
Isa Camyar, St. Francis college
Bahar Ulupinar, West Chester University of Pennsylvania
Securitizing Foreign Economic Policy: Globalization and U.S. Presidential Campaign Rhetoric
Jonas Geus, LMU Munich
Paul Binder, LMU Munich
U.S. Senate Oversight of Arms Exports: The Role of Defense Contractor Lobbying
Hoshik Nam, Jacksonville State University
We'll Shape Up Until You Ship Out: The Fleeting Effects of USMCA's Rapid Response Mechanisms
Chris Gahagan, Florida State University
Mitigating Decline: Rethinking Aid Effectiveness Through Tailoring and Crisis-Responsive Frameworks
Lauren Candia Shaffer, California State University, Northridge

Discussants
Thomas Nisley, Kennesaw State University
Ebenezer Oluwaseun Makinde, Tulane University

4200

Political Parties in Authoritarian and Post-Authoritarian Regimes

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Pelican - Riverside Building

Political Parties and Interest Groups

Participants
Beyond the Ballot: Opposition Party Tactics under Competitive Authoritarian Regimes
Selin Bengi Gumrukcu, Rutgers
The Name of the Game: Party Branding in Post-Authoritarian Regimes
Riccardo Di Leo, European University Institute
Elias Dinas, European University Institute
Lucia Domenech Collado, European University Institute
Ksenia Northmore-Ball, Queen Mary University of London
The Role of Political Parties under Authoritarian Regimes: The Case of Azerbaijan
Ismayil Akhundov, Istanbul Kent University, recent master's

4200

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Disrupting Political Science: Black Women Reimagining the Discipline

Race and Ethnicity

Chairs

Sharon Austin, University of Florida
Angela Lewis-Maddox, University of Alabama, Birmingham

Discussants

Mea Boykins, University of the West Indies
Robin L Turner, Butler University
Nikol Alexander Floyd, Rutgers University
Lakeytta Bonnette-Bailey, Howard University
Jamil Scott, Georgetown University

A panel of Black female political science professors and students will discuss their experiences as researchers and educators in the discipline of political science. They will discuss their experiences with intersectional discrimination on the basis of their race, gender, and other identities. They will also provide advice to other scholars about the best ways to navigate their experiences when dealing with students, colleagues, and the tenure and promotion process. The participants in their panel will discuss their chapters in the Disrupting Political Science: Black Women Reimagining the Discipline book, edited by Dr. Angela Lewis-Maddox of the University of Alabama, Birmingham.

4200

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Royal - 3rd Floor

Perspectives on Law and Courts

Judicial Politics

Chair

Laura P Moyer, University of Louisville

Participants

Intersectional Identities and Decision-Making in the U.S. Courts of Appeals
Caledonia Eve Joing, Oberlin College
Ali Masood, Oberlin College

Rights Races in the United States: The Dynamics of Constitutional Escalation
Vincent Vecera, Randolph College

The Defeated (Os Vencidos): A Study of Dissents on Brazil's Superior Court of Justice (STJ)
Stephen Matthew Joyce, Radford University

The polarizing effect of police militarization illustrations in the media
Cayleb Bryant Stives, University of Colorado, Boulder
Vanessa Baird, University of Colorado Boulder

Discussant

Teena Wilhelm, University of Georgia

4200

Public Opinion and Perceptions of Inequality

Saturday
9:30am-10:45am
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Class and Inequality

Chair
Loren Collingwood, University of New Mexico

Participants

College Towns as Company Towns: How Universities Drive Perceptions of Local Inequality
Aubrey Hall, Cornell University
Amanda S Chen, Cornell University

On the "Great Awokening"
Marco Avina, Harvard University

The Class Appeal: Assessing Support for Redistributive Policy Across Class Lines
Daniel Little, University of Texas at Austin

The Impact of Income Disparity on Public Opinion
Omar Watkins, Tennessee Tech

Uncovering the Source of Our Inequality Beliefs
Daniella Alva, Lehigh University

The fall of ESG: understanding the limits of business as a vehicle for politics.
William English, Georgetown University

Discussant
Loren Collingwood, University of New Mexico

4300

Morality and Philosophy

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

Participants

Care, Service, and Sacrifice: Reimagining Dignity
Manu Samnotra, University of South Florida

For All the Glory: Montainge on the Moral Edification of Vainglory and Competition
Matthew Flanders, Louisiana State University

Reality As a Construction of Belief and Belief as it Constructs reality.
Phillip Pierce, Professor of Sociology

4300

Bureaucratic Institutions and Administrative Reform

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Bureaucratic Politics

Chair
Patrick Gauding, University of the South

Participants

Do Civil Penalties Protect Consumers? Regulatory Efficacy, Regulator Design, and Congressional Intent
Patrick Gauding, University of the South
Benjamin Cavataro, Wayne State University

The Erosion of Specialization: How Institutional Evolution Undermines Oversight
Connor William Dye, University of Texas at San Antonio

Are Women Targeted for Corruption? Evidence from Randomized Conjoint Experiments on Traffic Police in Nigeria
Harunobu Saijo, Hiroshima University

The Sources of Local Political Knowledge: Evidence from local officials
Doug Murdoch, Southern Utah University

Teaching Public Administration During Trump 2.0: Reconsidering the Politics-Administration Dichotomy?
Robert William Smith, University of Illinois Springfield

Discussants
Maxwell Allamong, University of Houston
Tyson Chatagnier, University of Houston

4300

Institutional Responses to Global Security Challenges

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

International Organizations, Foreign Policy, and IR Theory

Chair
Jerry Mark Silverman, World Bank, retired

Participants

International Institutions and Territorial Disputes: United Nations Voting on Chagos Islands
Nikola Mirilovic, University of Central Florida

Intervening in the Impossible: Security Council (In)Action in the Hard Cases of Cold War Armed Conflict
Miruna Barnoschi, Emory University

Power and Authority: A Social and Technological Analysis of United States-China Competition
Glory Mmerechi Triumph Okereke, FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Treaties with Teeth: Cyber Governance as a Model for Enforcing Nuclear Non-Proliferation
Tara Amethyst Valadkhani, Loyola University Chicago
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago

Discussant
Olusumbo Abraham adeyemi, UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Camp - 3rd Floor

Why voters make their decisions

Political Participation and Civic Engagement

Chair
Clarissa Peterson, The University of the South

Participants
Democracy and Elections in Crisis: Electoral Integrity and Democratic Resilience Under COVID-19
Max Kovalov, College of Charleston
Evaluating the Effect of the Youth Gun Advocacy Movement's March for Our Lives GOTV Campaign on Voting and Registration in the 2018 Midterm Election
Jill R Laufer, UC Center Sacramento (UC Davis)
Presidents and Activists: How effective are Presidents at Shaping the Policy Positions of Activists?
Peter M Olson, University of Oklahoma
The Disparate Competitive Paths to Political Participation
Ryan DeTamble, Oklahoma State University
Toward a Statewide Measure of Civic Competence: An Evaluation of State Civics Assessments with Recommendations for Rhode Island
Dennis Haggerty, University of Rhode Island

Discussant
Clarissa Peterson, The University of the South

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Politics and Reaction in Advanced Industrial Societies

Comparative Politics of Industrialized Areas

Chair
Sally Bonsall, University of Nebraska Omaha

Participants
SSRIs and Mass Shootings: Comparison between the USA and the European Union
Roman Krastev, pvamu
The Ties That Bind: Rhetorical Convergence and Coordination among Global Right-Wing Populist Leaders
Jack McGovern, Northwestern University
Arne Holverscheid, Northwestern University
Jaye Seawright, Northwestern University
Working Class Support for Contemporary Right-Wing Nationalism: A Comparative Analysis of the USA and Turkey
Ekim Kilic, CUNY The Graduate Center
Party Activism in the Personalization of Party Politics in South Korea
Seonhwa Jang, Korea University
Dong-Hun Kim, Korea University
Hansoo Lee, Ajou University

4300

Entertainment Media & Celebrity Influencers in Politics

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Victoria Lynn Smith, Farmingdale State College

Participants
The Political and Economic State of the Spiral: The Politics of Wizard101™
Trinity Sue Updike, University of Kentucky
From Fact to Fiction: How Disaster Films Reinforce and Reframe Disaster Myths
Megan Kathryn Warnement Wrobel, College of Wooster
More Than a Celebrity: Comparing Latino Elite and Celebrity Influence. A Topic Modeling Experi
Niolette Alayón, George Washington University
The Deserted Real: Nihilistic and Apocalyptic Imagery in Turn-of-the-Century American Film
Jessica J Falk, Brown University

Discussant
Hillary Style, Coastal Carolina University

This panel explores the role of entertainment media like gaming, films and professional wrestling, as well as the influence of celebrity influence, in political thinking.

4300

KiND WORKSHOP: Incorporating other Disciplines into Political Science Research and Teaching with Dr. Mary R. Anderson

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill A1 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #9: Domestic Politics and International Relations in the Authoritarian Context

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Stan Hok-Wui Wong, University of St. Thomas

Participants
Negotiating Peace with Authoritarian Government
Satoshi Ikeuchi, University of Tokyo, Japan
The U.S.-China Clean Energy Race
Weiwei Liu, Texas Christian University
Xi Chen, Texas Christian University
Soft Power through Hard Science: China's Appeal to South Asian Medical Students and the Politics of Talent Attraction
Zhu Zhang, Fairfield University
What Do Aid Recipients Think of Aid Projects and Donors? Evidence from Kenya
Haruna Minoura, The University of Texas at Dallas

Discussant
Stan Hok-Wui Wong, University of St. Thomas

A panel discussing domestic politics and international relations in the authoritarian context.

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Judicial and Public Constraints on Executive Power

Presidential and Executive Politics

Chair
Jesse Crosson, Purdue University

Participants
A Study of Office of Legal Counsel Opinions 1989-2001
Billy Monroe, Prairie View A&M University
Checks, Balances, and Emotions: Public Attitudes towards Oversight of Presidential Authority
Cherie Maestas, Purdue University
Lonna Atkeson, Florida State University
The Myth of Neutrality: Partisan Dynamics within the Civil Rights Division
Hunter Lee Tierman, University of Florida
The People's Attorney? Examining Public Trust in the Prosecutor's Office
Damon Cann, Utah State University
Jamie Carson, University of Georgia
Jeffrey yates, Binghamton University
Joshua Baldwin, University of Georgia
The Presidency in Court: Judicial Constraints on Executive Orders, 2001 - 2025
Dylan Ogle, University of Alabama
When Do National Security Crises Generate Rally Effects? Evidence from 30 Countries
Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University
Jonathan Hartlyn, University of North Carolina
Timothy Hellwig, University at Buffalo
Will Horne, Clemson
Gregory Love, University of Mississippi
Cecilia Martinez-Gallardo, University of North Carolina
Matthew Singer, University of Connecticut

Discussants
Jack Greenberg, Trinity College
Matthew Singer, University of Connecticut

This panel focuses on interactions between the executive and judiciary as well as the role played by public opinion in constraining executive power.

4300

CwC #12: AI across countries and governments

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Eddie Yang, Purdue University

Participants
Measuring Public GenAI Across Countries: The C3O Initiative
Simone Paci, Stanford University
Nathan Feldman, University of Rochester
LLMs as a Shock: How ChatGPT Shaped State AI Procurement in the U.S.
Kolbe Dumas, University of Houston
Machine Learning, Human Bias: Cross - National Differences in AI Models' Perspectives on Democracy
Chloe Mortenson, Northwestern University
Fatima Gaw, Northwestern University
Will Falnagan, BNY Mellon
Erik Nisbet, Northwestern University
Selina Xu, Northwestern University
Harper Barnowski, Northwestern University
Alt-Right Artificial Intelligence in the USA and Europe: Migration and the Great Replacement on Mobile applications
Joseph Downing, Senior Lecturer Aston University
Wasim Ahmed, Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) in Marketing

Discussants
Ethan C Busby, Brigham Young University
Abdullah Yasir Atalan, American University
Xiaohan Wu, UC San Diego
Karl Ho, The University of Texas at Dallas

A panel discussing AI across countries and governments.

4300

State Elections

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

State Politics

Chair
Steven Galatas, Stephen F. Austin State University

Participants
Automated Redistricting and Communities of Interest
Christopher Scott Kirkwood, University of Kentucky
Candidate Quality in State Legislative Elections
Robert Hogan, Louisiana State University
Nathan T. Noe, Louisiana State University
Conceding Political Power: Why New York Lawmakers Voted to Overhaul Its Campaign Finance System
Adam Eichen, University of Massachusetts Amherst
The Southern Republican Realignment in State Courts of Last Resort
David Hughes, University of Louisiana at Lafayette
Seth McKee, Oklahoma State University

Discussants
Steven Galatas, Stephen F. Austin State University
Richard Fording, University of Alabama

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women's Leadership and Women's Rights in Developing Countries

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Lynn M. Maurer, Lamar University

Participants
Women's Substantive Representation: An Exploration of West Africa
Tamba Momoh, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo MI
African Women in Armed Conflict and Peacebuilding.
Ikhlas Abed Reguieg, University of North Texas
Women's Electoral Success and Campaign Finance: Evidence from Brazil
Iris Acquarone, Arizona State University
Jamil Civitarese, New York University
National Parliamentary Gender Quotas and Economic Outcomes: The Case of Senegal
Emily Maran, Tulane University
The Impact of Edutainment on Gender Attitudes: Experimental Evidence from Egypt
Donald P. Green, Columbia University
Ahmed Ezzeldin Mohamed, Toulouse School of Economics
Salma Mousa, UCLA

Discussant
Natasha Bingham, Loyola University New Orleans

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Subnational legislative politics

Legislative Politics

Chair
Todd Makse, Florida International University

Participants
Partisan Authority in Multi-Party Systems: Fusion Politics and Partisan Legislative Influence
Cassidy Sebastian Reller, University of Florida
Power-Sharing in a One-Party State: Committee Leadership in the Texas Legislature
Carlos Daniel Gutierrez-Mannix, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Thomas Gray, The University of Texas at Dallas
"Trust Me, I'm an Expert": The Role of Career Experience in Legislative Innovation
Paige Pellaton, University of North Florida
"Unequal Voices: Examining Legislative Responsiveness to Subgroup Preferences in U.S. Policymaking"
Sebastian Ege, University of Houston

Discussant
Todd Makse, Florida International University

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Power and Politics

Political Theory

Chair
Joseph Michael Keegin, Tulane University

Participants
Conservatism and Philosophy
Brett Larson, Tulsa Community College
Political Power and Secularization in Carl Schmitt's Political Theology
Firooz Jafari, Texas A&M University
Right-Nonliberalism: Beyond the Benedict Option
Alec Fredric Crisman, McGill University
Strains of Post-liberalism: A Typology and Proposal
Troy Gibson, University of Southern Mississippi
The American Right: Radical Evolution
Thomas Kolasa, Troy University

Discussant
Alex Orwin, Louisiana State University

4300

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

New Research Methods in LGBTQIA+ Politics

LGBTQ Politics

Chair
Tiffany WILLOUGHBY-HERARD, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

Participants
Hetero-cisnormativity Index
Rachel O'Neal, University of Colorado Boulder
Prejudice to Conspiratorial Paranoia: How Gender Ideology Rhetoric Functions as a Conspiracy Theory
Mateusz Michal Leszczynski, University of Colorado Boulder
Stigma, Affirmation, and LGBTQ Linked Fate: A Multiple Parallel Mediation Model
Kay Hales, Transylvania University

4300

Economic Issues in the Developing World

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Parish - 3rd Floor

Comparative and International Political Economy

Participants

Critical Minerals, Geopolitics, and Development: The Case of Pakistan in the 21st Century
Ameena Mohyuddin Zia, Brevard College

Governing gold or governing power? Political settlements and the environmental politics of galamsey in Ghana
Daniel K Banini, Assistant Professor

The Relationship Between Globalization and State Capitalism - Trade Liberalization, Financial Repression and Authoritarian Regimes
Russell Cui, Independent Scholar

Unlikely Transitions: New Order Indonesia in Comparative Perspective
Ben Smith, University of Florida
Yunizar Adiputera, University of Florida

Who trusts the state with their property rights? The case of land registration and legibility in Tunisia
Aaron Christensen, Columbia University

4300

Political Parties, Candidates, and Legislators in the United States

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Pelican - Riverside Building

Political Parties and Interest Groups

Chair
Henry B. Sirgo, McNeese State University

Participants

Dare to Dissent? The Relationship Between Party Loyalty and Electoral Outcomes for Republicans in the U.S. House of Representatives
Ella Jeffries, Tulane University

Highlighting the Future of Art: The Congressional Art Competition and Representation in the House of Representatives
Jacob R Straus, Congressional Research Service

Party Factionalism and Candidate Fundraising in US House Races
Zachary Albert, Brandeis University
Gregory Wall, UMass Amherst

Whose Champion? Investigating Legislators' Priorities in Committee Hearings
Ayoung Chun, Purdue University

Discussant
Henry B. Sirgo, McNeese State University

4300

Responses to Racial Conflict

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Race and Ethnicity

Chair
Chelsea Jones, The Brennan Center for Justice

Participants

Reparative Impact in United States Municipalities
Terrence Olu Rouse, North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University

The Ecology of Police Use of Force: A Study of Indianapolis, IN from 2014-2025
Courtney Page-Tan, Indiana University Indianapolis
Tom Stucky, Indiana University Indianapolis

Won't You Be My Neighbor?: Preferences for Neighborhood Diversity and Purchasing a Gun for Crime Protection
Breana Stevens, University of Maryland
Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz, University of Maryland College Park

Critical Consciousness in Context: The Political Consequences of Racial Trauma
Alesha Lewis, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Discussant
Chelsea Jones, The Brennan Center for Justice

4300

Staffing the Bench: From Recruitment to Retirement

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Rachel Paine Caufield, Drake University

Participants

Determinants of Gender Differences in Political and Judicial Ambition
Laura P Moyer, University of Louisville
Tao L Dumas, The College of New Jersey
Todd Collins, Western Carolina University

Scandal and Incumbent Defeat in State Supreme Court Elections
Brent Boyea, University of Texas at Arlington
Kayla Canelo, University of Texas at Arlington

Sex, Campaign Contributions, and State Intermediate Appellate Court Elections
Andrew Hewitt Smith, University of Cincinnati
Conny Sidi Kazungu, University of Maryland, College Park

The Consequences of Politicization in Turnover on the Lower Federal Courts
Richard L. Vining, University of Georgia
Jake Truscott, University of Florida

Discussant
Rebecca Gill, University of Nevada Las Vegas

4300

Advances in Public Policy Theory

Saturday
11:00am-12:15pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Chair
Aerang Nam, Savannah State University

Participants
Kingdon's Problem Stream and the Mammography Quality Standards Act of 1992
Andrea Barrick, Radford University
The Changing Structure of Public Policymaking: A Literature Review
Carter Wilson, Northern Michigan University
Moving Beyond Punctuated Equilibrium Theory: Public Policy Along A Gradient
Brent Friedman, Valdosta State University

Discussant
Elizabeth Maltby, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

4400

The challenges of corruption, state predation, and fraud.

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Institutions

Chair
Vu K Luong, University of Florida

Participants
Fragile Governance in Republican China: Stationary Banditry of Yan Xishan, Zhang Zuolin, and Zhang Zongchang
Vu K Luong, University of Florida
Institutional Constraints and Corruption: The Impact of Legislative Oversight Powers on Executive Corruption in Africa
Samuel Okoto Amankwah, Georgia State University
Guardians or Saboteurs? Unpacking Electoral Fraud and Elite Power in Nigeria's Democracy.
Nofisat Eletu, Western Michigan University
Oyindamola Olawepo, Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Discussant
Renat Shaykhutdinov, Florida Atlantic University

4400

Participation and Turnout

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Doug Murdoch, Southern Utah University

Participants

Decomposing the Costs of Voting: Classification of State Election Registration and Ballot Casting Policy Ecosystems and Their Effects on Voter Turnout
Michael Jospeh Pomante, States United Democracy Center/Claremont Graduate University
Joseph Coll, Texas Tech University
Scott James LaCombe, University of Missouri

Hey U Up? The impact of late text messages on voter turnout
Katherine Haenschen, Northeastern University
Stephanie DeMora, Stony Brook University
Christopher B. Mann, Skidmore College

Who Turns Out When Campaigns Turn Negative? Affective Polarization and the Countermobilizing Effect of Attack Ads
Victor Yuhang Wu, Stanford University

Who Votes Early?
Brian Brox, Tulane University

Discussant
Doug Murdoch, Southern Utah University

Papers discuss influences on voter participation and turnout.

4400

Power Competition and Shifting Norms in Global Governance

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

International Organizations, Foreign Policy, and IR Theory

Chair
Nikolay Anguelov, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

Participants

The Anti-Racist Capture of International Institutions
Kerin Shilla, George Washington University

Law in Speech, Law in Practice? Regime Type and Leaders' References to UN Resolutions
Hashim Malallah, Florida State University

Old Friends, Emerging Rivalries: Temporal Shifts in the Voting Clusters at the United Nations
Kerem Gülay, Koç University & ASIL

The Art of Diplomacy: International Criminal Court and the Analysis of Treaty Compliance and Violations
Joyfull Gladrich, Texas Tech University

When Help Hurts: International Organizations and the Struggle Against Democratic Backsliding
Farjana Akter, The University of Memphis

Discussant
Jonathan Walberg, University of Virginia

4400

Political discourse, or not?

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Camp - 3rd Floor

Political Participation and Civic Engagement

Chair
Michael G. Miller, Barnard College

Participants
Dynamics of Protesters in New Democracies: Individual Motivations and Structural Contexts
Hyun-Jin Cha, Korea National University of Transfortation
Educative or Empty? The Value of University Free Speech Statements and Policies
Tea Adrian, Furman University
Elizabeth Orozco, Furman University
Elizabeth S Smith, Furman University
The Culture of Honor and Political Behavior
David Doherty, Loyola University Chicago
Conor Dowling, University at Buffalo
Michael G. Miller, Barnard College
The Sovereignty of the Liberal State and the Sovereign Citizens Movement
Piper Biery, West Texas A&M University
Ready or Not, Here Comes Civil Discourse
Clinton M Jenkins, Lenoir-Rhyne University
jonathan hack, Harvard University

Discussant
Michael G. Miller, Barnard College

4400

Public Opinion about Health and Healthcare Institutions

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Benjamin Carter, University of Alabama

Participants
Gender Differences in Tolerance for Mental Health Conditions in Public Servants: Evidence from a U.S. National Sample
Kelsey Larsen, University of Central Florida
Nothing About Us Without Trust: The Politics of Autism Disclosure
Isabelle Jensen, University of Maryland College Park
Public Trust in Health Care Institutions: Evaluating People's Perception
Tamanna Jahan Tanni, Northern Illinois Universtiy
Reproductive Rights, Reframed: Federalism and Vote Choice in the 2024 Election
Joseph Aistrup, Auburn University
Bruce Anderson, Florida Southern College
Spencer Goidel, Auburn University
Rob Kenter, Center for Policing Equity
Martin Mayer, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
John Morris, Auburn University

Discussant
Cindy Osei Agyemang, West Virginia University

4400

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Identity, Politics & Media

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Joseph Downing, Senior Lecturer Aston University

Participants
The Cycle of Suffering: How the Exploitation of Black Trauma in Media Fuels Desensitization within Black Communities
Kyndal Coulter, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University
The Media and its Psychological Manipulation to the Public, Harming the Black Community
Makaela Dennis, North Carolina A&T State University
Voter Identities, Campaign Communication and Latino Electorate Cross Pressures in the United States
Andrew Saul Trabazo, Florida Interntional University

Discussant
Joseph Downing, Senior Lecturer Aston University

This panel analyzes and critiques the intersections of identity, politics and media.

4400

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Churchill B1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #9: Author-Meets-Critics

Conference Within A Conference

Participant
Politicizing Business: How Firms Are Made to Serve the Party-State in China
Ning Leng, Georgetown University

Discussants
Hiroki Takeuchi, Southern Methodist University (SMU)
Yao-Yuan Yeh, University of St. Thomas
Zhu Zhang, Fairfield University

An author-meets-critic roundtable discussing "Politicizing Business: How Firms Are Made to Serve the Party-State in China" by Ning Leng.

4400

CwC #13: Faculty Panel: Ancients vs. Moderns

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Ronna Burger, Tulane University

Participants
Herodotus, Aeschylus, and Sophocles on the Ancient Political Project
Frank Pagano, St. John's College, Annapolis
Aristotle ' s Political Dialogue
Rachel Mackey, Hudson Institute
Montesquieu ' s Persian Letters: Enlightenment and Despotism
Janet Dougherty, St. John's College, Annapolis
Machiavelli ' s Knives
Michael Hoffapuir, UATX

The capstone panel of our CWC puts in tension ancient and modern political philosophy. Dr. Frank Pagano (St. John ' s College, Annapolis) considers antiquity as a project articulated by Herdotus, Sophocles, and Aeschylus. Dr. Rachel Mackey (Hudson Institute) articulates Aristotle ' s understanding of the fundamental conditions for political life and asks whether the classical notion of politics still exists, or indeed can exist, in the modern age. Dr. J. Michael Hoffpauir (University of Austin) explores in Machiavelli ' s mentions of " knives " his modern conceptions of fortune, god, cruelty, and the divine. Janet Dougherty (St. John ' s College, Annapolis) concludes with a book that bridges ancient and modern thought, Montesquieu ' s Persian Letters . She inquire s about the relationship between the modern scientific method and ancient philosophy ' s quest for self - knowledge, as well as between despotism and enlightened government. Taken together, these presentations aim to present ancient and modern conceptions of politics and philosophy and ask what students of politics can learn by putting them in dialogue with one another. Panel members will respond to one another.

4400

Russia's Conflict Behavior

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Visne Korkmaz, Istanbul Nisantasi University

Participants
Burgeoning Aspirations: Examining Kazakhstan's Future with Russia
Gabriel Harper, Georgia Southern University
Christopher M. Brown, Georgia Southern University
The Finance Domain, Weaponized Interdepence, and the Fight for Ukraine
Robert M Farley, University of Kentucky
The Second Sputnik: Belarus's Potential Annexation and it's Implications within the Realm of International Conflict
Abigail Frances Wahl, University of North Florida
The Wagner Group's Social Media Messaging during Military Operations
Karen Nershi, Middlebury Institute of International Studies
Samantha Bradshaw, American University
Ayse Lokmanoglu, Boston University
Why Russia Kept Neutral During the Second Karabakh War?
nigar gurbanli, ADA University- Research Associate

Discussants
Visne Korkmaz, Istanbul Nisantasi University
Christopher M. Brown, Georgia Southern University

4400

Repression and Coercion

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
Chris Fettweis, Tulane University

Participants
Networked Censorship: International Relations Ties and the Adoption of Internet Control Strategy
Xingyuan Zhao, University of Texas at Dallas
Jing Tao, University of Texas at Dallas
Resilience of the North Korean Regime: Legitimation, Repression, and Co-optation
Hanjin Park, Tulane University
Women participation and gender inclusiveness: once missing now guiding modern day politics
Chestha ., Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi
Brothels and Hardware: Understanding the Space–Body Politics in Delhi, India: A Human Rights Perspective
Jigeesha Bhargavi, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Delhi
PROF TANUJA SINGH, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi

Discussant
Chris Fettweis, Tulane University

4400

Engendering Foreign Policy

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women, Gender, and Politics

Participants
Analyzing the Impact of Feminist Foreign Policy on Government Spending
Katie M Whipkey, University of Pittsburgh
Rachelle Haynik, University of Pittsburgh
Public Support for Sanctions: Does Leader Gender Matter?
Hoan La, Texas Tech University
The effect of sanction depth and breadth on gender-based violence
Emily Naasz, Texas A&M-San Antonio
Who Complies? Using Self Reports to Measure Compliance with CEDAW
Anna Kowalski, University of Colorado Boulder
Gendered Environmental Vulnerability: The Role of Women Elites
Brenna Armstrong, University of Louisiana at Lafayette
Manuela Muñoz, Texas Tech University
Robin Saywitz, Saint Louis University
Adaptive and Inclusive: Women's Leadership Styles in U.S. Special Representative Appointments
Sharon A Navarro, University of Texas at San Antonio

4400

Progress and Ethics in Research Methodology

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
Joan C. Timoneda, Purdue University

Participants
The Politics of Place Names: How US Counties were Named
Matthew Lynn Gunning, Georgia Gwinnett College
Validating Language Models with Causal Abstractive Simulation
Gabriel Simmons, UC Davis
Mark Vincent Reedy, UC Davis
Whistleblowing Stochastic Parrots: Artificial Intelligence, Advocacy, and the Politics of Ethical Resistance
Alice Qiang, Tulane University

Discussant
Joan C. Timoneda, Purdue University

4400

Republic and State

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Participants
Mill, Sidgwick, and Utilitarianism’s Drift Toward the Paternal State
Raymond Brandt, University of North Florida
Mores and Modes of Production: Tocqueville and Marx on the Bourgeois Aspects of the Enlightenment
Vince Bagnulo, Texas State University
Montesquieu's Commercial Republic
Michael Giles, Lansing Community College
The Greatest of All Reformers: Thomas Jefferson’s Christian Epicureanism
Kody W Cooper, University of Tennessee - Knoxville
The Supreme Law: John Streater on the Role of the People in Defending Their Own Liberty
Dominick Van Cleve, UC Davis

Discussants
Phillip Pinell, UW Madison
Sara-Maria Sorentino, University of Alabama

4400

Local Governance, Claim-Making and Responsiveness

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Comparative Politics of Developing Areas

Chair
Debora Duque, Brown University

Participants

Climate Politics from the Margins: Hazard Experience and Claim-Making in India's Slums
Alicia Cooperman, George Washington University
Emily Rains, Tulane University

The Spatial Dynamics of State Capacity
Lucas Borba, Vanderbilt University

Natural Hazards, Bureaucrats, and the Transformation of the State
Preeti Nambiar, Vanderbilt University

Politicians discriminate when women claim their rights: Evidence from experiments with India's rural politicians
Tanushree Goyal, Princeton University
Sam Van Noort, Princeton University
Mats Ahrenshop, University of Oxford

Precarious Entitlement: How Land Titling Efforts Undermine Grassroots Political Organization in the Brazilian Amazon
Debora Duque, Brown University

Discussants
Preeti Nambiar, Vanderbilt University
Lucas Borba, Vanderbilt University

4400

Presidential Politics and Leadership

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Pelican - Riverside Building

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
Bethany Bowra, Florida Gulf Coast University

Participants

Return of the Insider: The Vice Presidency in the 2020s
Aaron Mannes, University of Maryland School of Public Policy

The Delegate Perspective of the Importance of National Conventions
Brandon W. Lenoir, High Point University

The Policy Palindrome: How Leaders Claim Consistency During U-Turns
Meheer Commuri, University of Cambridge

Humanitarian Aid and the Reagan Doctrine in Ethiopia: The Elasticity of Practice and Principle
William E. DeMars, Wofford College

Discussant
Bethany Bowra, Florida Gulf Coast University

4400

Public Attitudes about US Courts and Rights

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Abigail Matthews, University at Buffalo, SUNY

Participants

A Single Case, Lasting Consequences: Dobbs and Legitimacy of the "Least Dangerous Branch"
Rebecca Gill, University of Nevada Las Vegas
Bianca Marcelia Martins de Oliveira, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Differences in Attitudes about Constitutional Rights by Race and Sex
Miles Armaly, University of Mississippi
Adam Enders, University of Louisville
Kesicia Dickinson, University of Mississippi

Partisanship, Negative Affect and Public Support for the U.S. Supreme Court
Joshua Boston, Bowling Green State University
Benjamin Kassow, University of North Dakota
Ali Masood, Oberlin College

The Court Under Threat: Hostility Towards Judicial Legitimacy and Responses from the US Supreme Court
Matthew Cota, Michigan State University

Discussant
Vanessa Baird, University of Colorado Boulder

4400

Public Policy in State and Local Governments

Saturday
12:30pm-1:45pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Chair
Nathan Micatka, University of South Alabama

Participants

Post-adoption policy adaptation: the case of marijuana legalization in the US
Grant W Neeley, University of Dayton
Lilliard E. Richardson, Jr., Penn State University

The Mouse and Anaheim: Disney's Dominance ofb Policy
Jeffrey Kraus, Wagner College

Why Do SNAP Reliant Counties Vote Red?
Abby Miller, Texas Tech University

Diffusion and Division: A Spatial Analysis of Surrogacy Policy Determinants in the United States
Jingjing Gao, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Jason H Windett, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Muinat Abolore Idris, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Gabriela A. Gallegos, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Bryan Colby Griffin, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Sharon V. Munroe, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

Discussant
Monica Hubbard, Boise State University

4400

Saturday
1:00pm-3:00pm
Marlborough

2027 Program Committee Meeting

Meetings

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Political development and institutions

Comparative Political Institutions

Chair
Ying Yang, Tulane University

Participants

Do International Orders Need to Be Liberal?
Paige Lynell Goetzenberger, Loyola University Chicago
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago

Filtering Representation: Selective Responsiveness through the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
Ying Yang, Tulane University

Institutional Ambiguity Enables Successful Centralization: Evidence from China and Vietnam
Minh Duc Trinh, The University of Texas at Austin
Warren Wenzhi Lu, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Nations of the empire: the effects of national policy in the early Soviet Union
Vladimir Novikov, Stanford University

Democratic Resistance in India: A Comparison of Electoral Opposition Politics by the Indian National Developmental Inclusive Alliance (INDIA) and the Janata Party
Vera Heuer, VMI

Discussants
Bonhoon Koo, University of Houston
David Sacko, USAFA

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Messages and Endorsements

Campaigns and Elections

Chair
Maggie Kathleen Martin, University of Southern Mississippi

Participants
Primed for Success: Party Elite Endorsement Effects in House Primary Elections
Jack Eichholz, The George Washington University
Tangled Communities of Faith: Representation and the Identity Drivers of Religious Rhetoric in State Campaigns
Joshua Meyer-Gutbrod, University of South Carolina
Levi Allen, Indiana State University
The Flip Flopping Conundrum: What Should Representatives do when the President Flip Flops?
Peter M Olson, University of Oklahoma
Austin Nettrouer, University of Oklahoma

Discussant
Maggie Kathleen Martin, University of Southern Mississippi

Papers in this panel will examine the emergence and impacts of messages and endorsements on campaigns and electoral outcomes.

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

The Religion of Political Theory

Religion and Politics

Chair
MICHAEL D ROYSTER, Prairie View A&M University

Participants
Dante's Use of Cicero in Paradiso 22 and 27
Melissa Dow, University of West Florida
Locke, Sacraments, and Politics
Kevin Matti Kearns, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Rebel With a Cause: Nietzsche's aims in The Antichrist
Daniel Conway, Texas A&M University
The Two Kinds of Piety: On the Gods in Homer's Iliad
Spencer Krauss, Clemson University

Discussants
Kevin Matti Kearns, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
MICHAEL D ROYSTER, Prairie View A&M University

4500

Political engagement across the globe

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Camp - 3rd Floor

Political Participation and Civic Engagement

Chair
Karl Ho, The University of Texas at Dallas

Participants
A Comparative Study of Sub-Saharan African Immigrant Civic Engagement Across Nashville and Tangier
Ochuwa Onoshoze Garuba, Student
Does Civil Society Density Matter for Agricultural Policymaking? Evidence from Nigeria
Nwachukwu Agwu Ani, Auburn University
Multidimensional Structure of Political Trust and Its Effects on Participation and Populism in Japan
Kenta Ohnishi, Hitotsubashi University
Tetsuro Inaba, Hitotsubashi University
Parliamentary Representation and Citizen's Interest: A focus on the Ghana's Parliament
Francis K Boadu, New Mexico Highlands University
Jedidiah Kwadwo Addae, University of Education, Winneba-Ghana
Political Attitudes and Voting: Comparing Hong Kong and Taiwan
Kelvin Chun-Man Chan, The University of Texas at Dallas
Karl Ho, The University of Texas at Dallas
Survival Amid Repression: An Examination of Political Consumer Campaigns in the 2019 Hong Kong Anti-Extradition Law Movement
Vera Yuen, University of Hong Kong

Discussant
Karl Ho, The University of Texas at Dallas

4500

Elite Cues and Partisan Polarization

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Public Opinion

Chair
Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University

Participants
Congressional Scandals and Attitude Change in Panel Surveys
Scott Basinger, University of Houston
Political Misfits: Leader Cues and Partisanship in Mass Democracy
Robert Vidigal, Vanderbilt University
Álvaro Pereira, University of Western Ontario
Power without Interference? How Alternative Frames of the 2024 Presidential Election Outcome Influence Public Support for Unilateral Presidential Power
Jesse Hessler Rhodes, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Alexander Theodoridis, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Julia Priya Mohanty, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Rational Voting in the Age of Polarization & Responsible Parties: Presidential Elections from 1972-2024
Carlos Algara, Claremont Graduate University
Sam Fuller, Harvard University
Jack Rametta, University of California, Davis
Which Campaign Messages Matter Most? Analyzing Policy-Specific Engagement in Progressive Digital Campaigns
Chen Ma, Basis Independent Fremont

Discussants
Austin Lloyd Cutler, Florida State University
Farzana Zinnat, Auburn University

4500

Social Media & Politics

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Emma Lowery, University of South Florida

Participants
Tweets from the Gallery: Covering Congress in the Digital Age
Annelise Russell, University of Kentucky
Trust in News on Instagram: An Experimental Analysis
Rachel Horvath, Rutgers University
Social Platforms and Ideological Consolidation: An investigation of BlueSky and the left
Benjamin Burnley, Colorado State University
Shea Minter, Georgetown University
#politics: The influence of social media in political engagement
Taylor Davis, None
From Twitter to Truth Social: Platform Shifts and the Evolution of Donald Trump's Campaign Messaging
Allison Ellis, USC Upstate

Discussant
Meredith L. Pruden, Kennesaw State U.

This panel interrogates the role of social media in politics, including platforms such as Twitter, Instagram, BlueSky and Truth Social.

4500

KiND WORKSHOP: Adopting a Productivity Mindset: A Healthier Version of You with Dr. Diana Gustafson

Saturday
2:00pm-6:15pm
Churchill A2 - 2nd Floor

Program Chair's Panels

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

CwC #13: Student Panel: On the Ancients

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Frank Pagano, St. John's College, Annapolis

Participants
The Necessity of Thymos for Philosophic Inquiry
Craig Koch, Tulane University
The Implications of Socratic Philosophy for a Secular Society: Justice and the Holy in Plato's Euthyphro
Dylan Jackson, St. John's College, Annapolis
Xenophon ' s Playful Posse: Lightheartedness in Portrayals of Socrates
Emma Bernstein MacFarlane, Baylor University
Aristotle on Thymos and Moral Education
Maria Goyette, Baylor University

Discussant
Rachel Mackey, Hudson Institute

This graduate student panel aims to understand philosophy as a way of life: particularly, the proper ordering of soul and community that the ancients thought was a necessary precondition for philosophy. Craig Koch (Tulane University) investigates " the spirited relationship to truth without which the philosophers ' erotic pursuit of truth would not be possible. " Dylan Jackson (St. John ' s College, Annapolis) reads the Euthyphro for lessons relevant to a modern secular nation. Emma Bernstien MacFarlane asks whether " lightheartedness [is] something Xenophon understands to be a necessary part of the good life, " and why Socrates countenances the presence of lighthearted men in his company. Maria Goyette (Baylor University, fellow at Cleveland State University) takes up how Aristotle ' s moral education aims to refine the quality of spiritedness, so important to politics and a well - ordered soul. These presentations will suggest how Socrates, Plato, Xenophon, and Aristotle shape the education of the philosopher while articulating the shocking claim that philosophy is essential for politics.

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #12: LLMs in research pipelines

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Joshua Gubler, Brigham Young University

Participants
DA - Bench: Evaluating LLM progress in autonomous end - to - end data analysis
Rohan Alexander, University of Toronto
Evelyn Hughes, University of Toronto
From Exposure to Erasure: How Media Coverage Undermines Gove rnment Transparency
Xiaohan Wu, UC San Diego
The Quality of Congressional Oversight of Foreign Policy
Margaret Smith, West Virginia University
Vito D'Orazio, West Virginia University
Patrick Brandt, University of Texas at Dallas
Javier Osorio, University of Arizona
Latifur Khan, University of Texas at Dallas
Data Annotation with Large Language Models: Lessons from a Large Reanalysis Study
Eddie Yang, Purdue University
Zoey Wang, University of Amsterdam
Carl Zhou, University of Amsterdam

Discussants
Alice Malmberg, UC Davis
Miley Liu, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen
Julia Parado Gavieta, University of Toronto
David Muchlinski, Georgia Tech

A panel discussing LLMs in research pipelines.

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-4:45pm
Churchill C2 - 2nd Floor

CwC #2: Roundtable Discussion on the Emerging Challenges to Local Governance

Conference Within A Conference

Discussants

Simon Andrew, University of North Texas
Jered Carr, University of Illinois - Chicago
Edgar Ramírez de la Cruz, UNLV
Aaron Deslatte, Indiana University - Bloomington
Christopher Hawkins, University of Central Florida

A roundtable discussion on the emerging challenges to local governance.

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

Securitization in International Conflict

International Conflict and Security

Chair

Kasia Houghton, University of St Andrews

Participants

Framing “China Threat”: Securitization of China in U.S. Foreign Policymaking
Long Xiao, University of Florida
Gabriella Morano, Duke University

Metaphor, language, modernity, and the inadvertent makings of international conflict
Thomas Peak, Vilnius University

Securitization of Allies: Can Allies Be Construed As a Threat?
Pradeep Krishnan, University of Sankt Gallen
Alessandro Del Ponte, The University of Alabama & Chapman University
Jack Gibby, The University of Alabama

Naming the Enemy: How Securitizing Language Shapes Security Governance in Nigeria (2015–2023)
Chukwuemeka Oko-Otu, University of Buckingham
Pleasant Ogedengbe, Valencia College

Discussants

Pleasant Ogedengbe, Valencia College
Kasia Houghton, University of St Andrews
Long Xiao, University of Florida

4500

State Policymaking: Process and Change

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

State Politics

Chair
Roy Dawes, Gettysburg College

Participants
Degrees of Control: Tracing Higher Education and Labor Reforms from Hungary to Florida's Universities"
Tessa Barber, University of South Florida
The Cold Table – Arkansas Gambling Policy Sine 1949
Christopher E. Housenick, Arkansas Tech University
The Forgotten Bipartisanship of State-Level Renewable Energy Policymaking
Joshua Basseches, Tulane University
The Impact of State-Level Policies on Renewable Energy Adoption
Shuang Zhao, UAH
Nick Meyer, UAH
Braeden Hayes, UAH

Discussant
Roy Dawes, Gettysburg College

4500

Navigating a Gendered Polity: the analytics of partisanship, elected office, and public policy

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Iris Acquarone, Arizona State University

Participants
The Impact of Gender and Race on Partisan Views of Women's Roles and Family Policy
Michele Swers, Georgetown University
Jamil Scott, Georgetown University
Yixuan Li, Harvard University
Candidate cues and policy positions on evaluations of Asian American women and Latinas
Dan Qi, Lamar University
Gendered Attributes and Americans' Changing Conceptualizations of the Parties
Heather L Ondercin, Appalachian State University
Erin Cassese, University of Delaware
A lasting legacy or new beginning: Understanding the behavior of widows as congressional successors
Marissa Grayson, University of Alabama
Allen Linken, University of Alabama
Aislinn Riley, University of Alabama

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Seeking Research Funding from Foundations: Grant and Fellowship Opportunities for Political Scientists

Program Chair's Panels

Chair
James A Wilson, Russell Sage Foundation

Participant
Seeking Research Funding from Foundations: Grant and Fellowship Opportunities for Political Scientists
James A Wilson, Russell Sage Foundation

Discussants
Andra Gillespie, Emory University
Lee Walker, National Science Foundation
Jan Leighley, National Science Foundation

Seeking research funding is an increasingly competitive process and preparing a successful application can be a challenging and time-consuming exercise. This session will provide a practical overview of applying for research support in political science from two high-profile funders of social, political and policy research. The panel includes (1) program staff from from the National Science Foundation and the Russell Sage Foundation, and (2) academic scholars who have applied for and received funding as well as served as reviewers for the process. Funder panelists will discuss their funding priorities, the grant writing and review process and the basics of what makes a good grant proposal, processes for developing ideas for funding and budgeting, and resources that specify what to include in research proposals. With extensive funding experience and evaluating proposals as part of the grant-making process, funder panelists will discuss how to develop and write a sound grant application from the perspective of a funding organization. Scholar panelists will discuss and provide insights about the application and review process from the grant-seeking side. A key focus will be on tips for good grant-writing – the specifics of what often makes for a good grant proposal and the mistakes that grant-seekers should avoid in drafting an application.

4500

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Reconsidering Plato's Caves: The Liberating Sting of Cultural Diversity

Political Theory

Chair
Ann Ward, Baylor University

Discussants
Rebecca LeMoine, Florida Atlantic University
Robert Ballingall, University of Maine
Alex Orwin, Louisiana State University
Mary Townsend, St. john's University
Jacob Rodriguez, Baylor University

Given the rise of illiberalism, nativism, and authoritarianism in our politics today, bringing with it the attack on the "woke" concepts of diversity, equity and inclusion and promises of the detention and mass deportations of immigrants, it is all the more imperative that we reflect on the impact of Plato's Caves: The Liberating Sting of Cultural Diversity (Oxford University Press, 2020) by Rebecca LeMoine. In Plato's Caves, LeMoine argues, contrary to the popular and scholarly narrative, that Plato was a friend of cultural diversity. Through a careful reading of four Platonic dialogues, the Republic, Menexenus, Laws, and Phaedrus, LeMoine shows that far from exhibiting hostility toward foreigners, they reveal that foreigners paly a role similar to that of Socrates: the role of gadfly. Like encounters with Socrates, interactions with foreigners can expose contradictions in the authoritative opinions that undergird one's political community and thus encourage a more self-reflective citizenship. They can do this, according to LeMoine, because every citizen lives in a polity that shares the basic features of the cave, Plato's famous allegory in the Republic. This means that when we interact with someone raised in a different "cave," we are faced with the possibility of another way of life and hence with the occasion to reflect on our own conception of truth, beauty, and goodness. Foreigners, in other words, help us to see our cave as a cave, hence showing us that we live in a world of cave-like polities from which we can nonetheless be freed. LeMoine also argues that studying Plato's views on foreigner's gives deeper insight into his attitudes toward democracy, and concludes with reflections on how Plato's portrayal of foreigners as gadflies can speak to our contemporary debate on cultural diversity. According to LeMoine, Plato shows how the "liberating sting" of cross-cultural engagement, although initially painful, can help citizens cultivate a Socratic knowledge of ignorance and hence the intellectual humility that is essential to the preservation of democracy. Plato, LeMoine argues, shows that democracy's downfall into tyranny happens when citizens develop intellectual hubris that rejects education and the exposure to cultural diversity that it brings. Participants: Rebecca LeMoine, Florida Atlantic University, rlemoine@fau.edu Robert Ballingall, University of Maine, Robert.ballingall@maine.edu Enji Lin, Baylor University, angela_lin1@baylor.edu Alex Orwin, Louisiana State University, aorwin1@lsu.edu Mary Townsend, St. John's University, townsenm@stjohns.edu Ann Ward, Baylor University, ann_ward@baylor.edu

4500

Maladies in Digital Political Communication

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Information Technology and Politics

Chair
Emily Sydnor, Syracuse University

Participants

Analyzing Democratic Constructs in The Federalist to Advance an Empirical Science of Civil Digital Discourse
Marguerite Williamson, Graduate School of Education & Psychology at Pepperdine University

Countering Extremism in the Digital Landscape: implementing groundbreaking Strategies
Farhan Khalid, Government Murray graduate college Sialkot, Punjab-Pakistan
Saim Dar, National Counter Terrorism Authority, Islamabad-Pakistan

AI, Cognitive Warfare, and Algorithmic Amplification in Political Conflict
Jonathan Walberg, University of Virginia

Deepfakes, Deception, and the Dual-Use Dilemma
Joshua Preston Miller, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Taylor O'Hare, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Discussants
Jacob Tucker, New York University
Matthew Collins, Albany State University
Arne Holverscheid, Northwestern University

4500

Text-Based Approaches to Understanding Identity in the Courts

Saturday
2:00pm-3:15pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Michael K Romano, Shenandoah University

Participants

Overcoming Implicit Bias: Gender and Professionalism in the Supreme Court of Canada
Susan W. Johnson, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Jennifer B. Bowie, University of Richmond

The Effect of Age on Supreme Court Oral Argument Participation
Mikel Norris, Coastal Carolina University
Alex Farone, University of Kentucky

The Effect of Attorney Gender on Brief Readability in the U.S. Courts of Appeals
Christine Marie Bailey, Austin Peay State University

The Prevalence (and Necessity) of Feminine Confidence in Judicial Leadership
Teena Wilhelm, University of Georgia
Richard L. Vining, University of Georgia
Levi Hudson, University of Georgia

Discussant
Michael Fix, Georgia State University

4600

Attending to the Crisis of Liberal Democracy

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

Political Theory

Chair
Terry Hughston, University of Alabama

Participants
'Bring Out Your Dead': Ordinary Language Philosophy and Political Theory
Kenneth B McIntyre, Sam Houston State University
Judith Shklar and the Crisis of Liberal Democracy
Paul R Babbitt, Southern Arkansas University
Judith Shklar on Factions, Political Exile, and Civil Wa
Michelle Schwarze, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Robert Nozick's Utopia: The Moral Telos of the Minimal State in Late Nozickian Ethical Thought
Seung-Hwan Hong, University of California, Davis
Richard Rorty's America: History, Democracy, and Hope
Daniel O'Neill, University of Florida

Discussant
Andrew Kaplan, NA

4600

The Political Economy of Influence: Money, Expertise, and Geography in Elections

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Participants
Investing in Political Expertise: The Remarkable Scale of Corporate Policy Teams
Andrew Hall, Stanford
Do interest group endorsements matter?
Alex Fouirnaies, University of Chicago
Political Geography and Distributive Politics in the 21st Century
Chris Berry, University of Chicago
Anthony Fowler, University of Chicago
Money and Motivations: When Do Campaign Contributions Create Polarization?
Peter Buisseret, Harvard University
Pablo Montagnes, Emory University
Richard Van Weelden, University of Pittsburgh

This panel examines how organizations, money, and geography shape American politics. Hall and Sun document the rise of corporate policy teams, showing that firms increasingly invest more in internal political expertise than in traditional lobbying. Berry and Fowler trace the shifting geography of economic productivity and partisan alignment, highlighting how the new political economy of place reshapes distributive politics. Fouirnaies shows how interest group endorsements tilt primary elections, underscoring how organized groups channel support to favored candidates. Finally, Buisseret presents a formal model of elections in which the incentives of campaigns to raise money from small donors leads to polarized platforms. Together, these papers reveal the diverse ways in which money, expertise, geography, and group support shape contemporary American politics, offering new perspectives on the anatomy of influence beyond the ballot box.

4600

State Politics: Political Partisanship and Behavior

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

State Politics

Chair
Richard Fording, University of Alabama

Participants

Does the Public Hold Governors Accountable for the Economy? Evidence from Governor Approval
Matthew Singer, University of Connecticut

Lone Star Nationalism: Texit in the Context of Claustropolitanism and International Secession
Thomas Richard Brooks, New Mexico Highlands University
Rhonda Balzarini, Texas State University
William Blake Erickson, Texas A&M University - San Antonio
Victor Hinojosa, Cisco College - Abilene Campus
Alyssa Jones, Tarleton State University
Alicia Machione, West Texas A&M University
Nicholas P Maxwell, Midwestern State University
Stephen Reysen, East Texas A&M University
Alannah Shelby Rivers, Texas Woman's University
Jeremy Shelton, Lamar University
Eric Stocks, University of Texas at Tyler

Mobilizing the Public Check: State Attorneys General in the Age of Executive Power
Lukas Alexander, Washington University in St Louis

Red Shift: Party Competition, Voting, and Hispanics in Texas's Borderlands
Steven Galatas, Stephen F. Austin State University
Julie Harrelson-Stephens, Stephen F. Austin State University

Red State: The Florida 2024 Presidential Election
Aubrey Jewett, University of Central Florida
Jonathan Knuckey, University of Central Florida

Discussant
Richard Fording, University of Alabama

4600

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Canal - 3rd Floor

Social and Psychological Roots of Public Opinion

Public Opinion

Chair

Rajeshwari Majumdar, The George Washington University

Participants

Competitive Dispositions and Ideology in the American Mass Public
Ryan DeTamble, Oklahoma State University
David Barker, American University

Reciprocal political socialization within contemporary American families: Evidence from two randomized experiments
Roberto Carlos, University of Michigan
Melissa Baker, UT El Paso
Alvaro Corral, University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley
Bryan Gervais, University of Texas at San Antonio
Matt Lamb, Texas Tech University
Tanika Raychaudhuri, Rice University
Linette Sanchez, University of Texas at Austin

Who is Anti-establishment? A Latent Profile Approach
Adam Enders, University of Louisville
Casey Klofstad, University of Miami
Joseph Uscinski, University of Miami

Discussants

Grant Ferguson, Texas Christian University
Sydney Brake, University of Massachusetts Amherst

4600

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

News, Journalism & Politics

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Andrew Devine, Tulane University

Participants
Whose Crises Count? U.S. Media Coverage of Economic Crises in Other Countries, 1980-2023
Bertram Johnson, Middlebury College
Erik Bleich, Middlebury College
Newspaper Mergers and Coverage of City Officials
Sean Ewing, Florida Gulf Coast University
The Changing Job of the American Journalist & Its Impact on American Politics
Alison Dagnes, Shippensburg University
Local News and the Nationalization of Politics, 2004-2024
Murat Abus, Syracuse University
Johanna Dunaway, Syracuse university
Joshua Darr, Syracuse University
Matthew Hitt, Colorado State University
A New Great Game: American, Chinese, and Russian State Media in the South Caucasus
Emma Lowery, University of South Florida

Discussant
Chapman Rackaway, Radford University

This panel explores the evolving state of journalism and journalistic coverage of politics and politically-adjacent events.

4600

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill B2 - 2nd Floor

CwC #13: Student Panel: On the Moderns

Conference Within A Conference

Chair
Janet Dougherty, St. John's College, Annapolis

Participants
“ To Make Dueling Ignominious ”: Fighting the Warlike Passions in the Hobbesian Political Project
Aaron Slutkin, St. John's College
Kant and Nietzsche on the Modern Will
Meredith Johnson, Tulane University
A Natural Aristocracy? John Adams and John Taylor on Oligarchy and Equality in the American Founding
Michael Lucchese, Liberty Fund
Lincoln ’ s Constitutionalism of the Common Good
Zachary Coddington, Notre Dame University

Discussant
Michael Hoffapuir, UATX

A graduate student panel discussing the moderns.

4600

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Churchill C1 - 2nd Floor

CwC #12: Validation and LLMs in Political Science

Conference Within A Conference

Discussants

Ethan C Busby, Brigham Young University
Lisa Argyle, Purdue University
Joshua Gubler, Brigham Young University

This roundtable discussion follows up on a related working group at the 2025 APSA meeting in Vancouver, CA. It is intended as a step towards developing a set of validation practices and standards for working with generative AI tools in political science. Work using generative AI tools in political science has dramatically increased, but researchers still lack a set of best practices to validate and justify the use of generative AI tools in their many applications. This leaves scholars, reviewers, funders, and the discipline at large unsure how to evaluate the quality of research using generative AI in political science. We intend for the scope of this conversation to include best practices and evaluation standards related, but not limited, to: extent and disclosure of AI use in the research process, transparency and replicability, metrics and benchmarks for task - specific performance, and model selection

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4600

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

International Conflict and Security

Chair

Craig Whiteside, US Naval War College

Participants

Anonymous Attackers: A Freelancer Theory of Unclaimed Terrorist Attackers
Mostafa El Sharkawi, University of Michigan

China and Russia in United Nations Counterterrorism: Strategic Cooperators and Strange Bedfellows
Miruna Barnoschi, Emory University

Terrorists or Cartels: Shifts in Foreign Terrorist Organizations' Designation Patterns During the First Trump Administration
Jeremy Berkowitz, Prairie View A&M University

Terrorists R&D: Mapping the Research and Development Capabilities of Violent Nonstate Actors
Dev Pandey Tavares, Texas Tech University

Weaponized Femininity: Boko Haram, the Nigerian State, and the Gendered Politics of Violence
Caitlin Holden, University of Florida

Discussants

Autumn Perkey, University of Central Florida
Craig Whiteside, US Naval War College

4600

State Politics and Social Policy

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

State Politics

Chair
Anna Mahoney, Dartmouth College

Participants
Is Gender Moral?: State Legislators' Framings of Trans Policies
Brenda Nicole Hanson, University of Alabama
Contraception in the Crosshairs? Federalism, Contraception Deserts, and the Politics of Title X
Tracee Saunders, Penn State University
Kellen Kane, The University of Texas at Austin
Candis Smith, Duke University
Playing the Long Game: Sports Bans as a Strategic Policy Entry Point
Scott James LaCombe, University of Missouri

Discussant
Anna Mahoney, Dartmouth College

4600

Comparative Perspectives on Feminist Movements

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

Women, Gender, and Politics

Chair
Alisa Gaunder, Southwestern University

Participants
Backlash from Within: Gendered Reactions to Feminist Incidents in South Korea
Jiseon Chang, Tecnológico de Monterrey
Bongjoo Peter Kim, University of Missouri
From Sisterhood to Statehood: Pink Feminism in China
Jia Yao, Peking University
Yanjun Liu, Peking University
The Femin[ist] Mystique: How Definitions of Feminism Shape Affect and Identity
Elizabeth Connors, University of South Carolina
Katelyn Stauffer, University of Georgia

Discussant
Katie M Whipkey, University of Pittsburgh

4600

The Politics of Congressional Speech

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Legislative Politics

Chair
Annelise Russell, University of Kentucky

Participants

Congressional Attention to Abortion After Dobbs
Jacob Michael Lollis, University of Cincinnati

Gender and Constituent Communications
Jeffrey Lazarus, Georgia State University
Amy Steigerwalt, Georgia State University

Gendered Issues, Gendered Voices? Debating defense on the House floor
Mary Atkinson, UNC Charlotte
Jason H Windett, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Grandstanding in the Senate
Ju Yeon Park, The Ohio State University
Sean Theriault, University of Texas-Austin

The Story Behind the Statute: Congressional Witnesses as Narrative Agents and Storytellers
Collin A Coil, University of Vermont
Caroline L. Bruckner, American University
John D. Rackey, Bipartisan Policy Center
Lauren C. Bell, Randolph-Macon College

Discussant
Annelise Russell, University of Kentucky

4600

Federalism & Intergovernmental Relations

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Magazine - 3rd Floor

Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations

Chair
Mariliz Kastberg-Leonard, Northwest Missouri State University

Participants

Executive Order Disputes in the Courtroom and the Loyalty Test
Mariliz Kastberg-Leonard, Northwest Missouri State University
Grace Pittman, East Georgia State College

Federalism and educational inequality in Mexico: Evidence from ENLACE and PLANEA.
Joel Mendoza, Rice University

Liberal First, Democratic Second: Diagnosing the EU's Militant Liberalism
Peter Verovsek, University of Groningen

Redistributive place-based policies and support for government in the EU
Carlos Lastra, IE University

Taking the Hit: Partisanship Battles and the Changing Nature of Prairie Paradiplomacy
Lucia Kovacikova, Marquette University

Discussants
Christopher Scott Kirkwood, University of Kentucky
Nathan M. Jordan, University of Georgia

4600

Technology, Policy, and Governance

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Newberry - 3rd Floor

Information Technology and Politics

Chair
Tianshu Hao, University of Florida

Participants

Embracing the Future, Mitigating Harm: Governments and AI Research and Development
Ken Rogerson, Duke University
Yash Dutt, Duke University

Empire of Code: Palantir Technologies, Techno-Nationalism, and the Authoritarian Turn in U.S. Digital Governance
Chloe Ann Morgado, UMass Amherst

Varieties of Techno-Nationalism:Why Do Some States Go on the Offensive While Others Defend?
Aydin Guven, George Mason University

China's Influence in Global Governance: The Case of Artificial Intelligence
Yu Chi Chu, National Chung Hsing University

Disinformation with ideology: a new ideological propaganda strategy of CCP
Tianshu Hao, University of Florida
Long Xiao, University of Florida

Discussant
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Shifting Influence: How Interest Groups are Shaping American Public Policy in 2025

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Pelican - Riverside Building

Political Parties and Interest Groups

Chair
Alixandra Yanus, High Point University

Participants

From Neighbors to Lobbyists: How Local Groups Shape Politics in Rhode Island
Tristan M. Hightower, Bryant University

Is much of politics still local? Multi-state lobbying in state interest communities
James Strickland, Florida State University

Spoils of Incumbency? Effective Lawmakers as Lobbyists
James Strickland, Florida State University
Alex Garlick, University of Vermont

Discussant
Alixandra Yanus, High Point University

4600

Governance Across Contexts: Comparative Insights and Challenges

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Prince of Wales - 2nd Floor

Public Administration

Chair
María Verónica Elías,, The University of Texas at San Antonio

Participants
Geographic Representation of Public Administration Authors
Steve McKnight, Missouri State University
Katie Cardoza, Missouri State University
Kinli Miller, Missouri State University
Gabi Torres, Missouri State University
The 'Highest' Education: Assessing the Impact of Central Governance on Chinese Universities
Lin Song, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen
Budget Preparation and the Separation of Powers
Hance Winingham, Doctoral Candidate
What Public Values Do Practitioner-Scholar Research Collaborations Seek to Create? Evidence from a Field Experiment
Tian Tang, Florida State University
In COP29 We Trust: How Megaevents Affect Urban Governance in Global South
Fidan Namazova, ADA University
Anar Valiyev, ADA University

Discussant
Robin Saywitz, Saint Louis University

4600

Politics, Identity, and Outcomes in Federal Courts

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Karen O'Connor, American University

Participants
Can Experience Combat Stereotypes? Specialization, Identity and Influence
Maureen Stobb, Georgia Southern University
Joshua Kennedy, Georgia Southern University
Does Judicial Diversity Matter? Examining the Racial and Gender Effects on Indigenous Women's Legal Outcomes in the U.S. Courts of Appeals
Sinthia Chakma Krisna, Western Michigan University
Fighting Restrictive Immigration Actions Under Trump: What Plaintiff Success Reveals About US Courts
Abigail Matthews, University at Buffalo, SUNY
Bianca Marcelia Martins de Oliveira, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Elizabeth Maltby, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Indigenous Peoples Before US Federal Appeals Courts
Rebecca Reid, University of Texas at El Paso
Todd Curry, University of Texas at El Paso
Mark Hurwitz, SPSA
Watching from the Bench? Protest Activity and its Influence on the United States Courts of Appeals
Ricardo Robles, Fresno State University

Discussants
Amy Steigerwalt, Georgia State University
Karen O'Connor, American University

4600

Environment and Technology Policy

Saturday
3:30pm-4:45pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Participants

Don't Panic: Privatization and U.S. Space Policy
Nicole Pankiewicz, College of Coastal Georgia

Environmental Policy Narratives and Unlikely Alliances: Linking the Narrative Policy Framework to Collaborative Governance Theory
Dalten Fox, University of South Alabama

Expressing Belief in Conflict: Analyzing Discourse Networks of Offshore Wind Policymaking
Aerang Nam, Savannah State University

The Policy Feedback of Neuroscience and AI: Navigating New Legal and Ethical Frontiers
Jongsoo Park, Sookmyung Women's University

Idaho Public Willingness to Support Salmon Recovery Strategies: Results from Discrete Choice Experiment
Monica Hubbard, Boise State University

4700

The Evolution of American Party Development and Political Change

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Ascot - 3rd Floor

American Political Development

Participants

American Party Development: constructing a theoretical and historical model
Luke Heslip, University of California, Santa Cruz

Popularism in Democratic Purgatory: Trumpism and the Strategic Erosion of Liberal Democracy
Christopher M. Brown, Georgia Southern University
Jacek Lubecki, Georgia Southern University

Stand Up for America: George Wallace’s Third-Party Run for President, 1968
Joel R. Campbell, Troy University

The Downfall of the American Democracy
Rhoda Oni, North Carolina A&T State University

The Hollow Party Looks Leftward: Democratic Organization and Program in the Biden Years
Daniel Schlozman, Johns Hopkins University

The Republican Party and the Politics of Immigration Policy, 1965-2024
Jack McGovern, Northwestern University

4700

Voter Concerns and Perspectives

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Bridge - Riverside Building

Campaigns and Elections

Participants

Challenging the Narrative: Latino Voting in Presidential Elections
Maria Jose Ovalle, Florida International University
George D Quinn, Rutgers University

Democracy was on the Ballot and Democracy Lost
Kirby Goidel, Texas A&M University
Spencer Goidel, Auburn University
Craig Freeman, Oklahoma State University

Ideology, Party, and Split-Ticket Voting
James Snyder, Harvard University

Information Processing and Perceptions of Legitimacy under Ranked Choice Voting
Todd Makse, Florida International University
Anand Sokhey, University of Colorado Boulder
Michelangelo Landgrave, CU Boulder
Chris Karpowitz, Brigham Young University
Drew Seib, Murray State University

How Confidence in Elections Informs Turnout in the United States
Kevin K Banda, States United Democracy Center

4700

The Politics of Global Economic Governance

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Cambridge - 2nd Floor

International Organizations, Foreign Policy, and IR Theory

Chair
Walt Vanderbush, Miami University

Participants

Ambiguous Relationships: A Political History of the World Bank & United Nations (1944-1971)
Jerry Mark Silverman, World Bank, retired

Structural Adjustment Programs as International Institutions: Origins, Power, and the Politics of Global Economic Governance in the Global South
Glory Mmerechi Triumph Okereke, FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Testing the Ties that Bind: Divergent Preferences and Collective Exit in ECOWAS
Olusumbo Abraham adeyemi, UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Tools of the State: Intergovernmental Organizations, East India Companies, and State Limitations
Steven Van De Laarschot, University of Colorado Boulder

Unilateral Termination of Bilateral Investment Treaties and Multinational Firm’s Activities
Minh Dao, University of Texas at Dallas

Discussant
Meghan Iverson, university of chicago

4700

Voting Behavior in Comparative Context

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Camp - 3rd Floor

Comparative Political Behavior and Electoral Systems

Chair
Juan David Irigoyen Borunda, Florida State University

Participants

Making Votes Count? Navalny's Smart Vote and Strategic Coordination
Jason Douglas Todd, Duke Kunshan University
Minh Duc Trinh, The University of Texas at Austin

Strategic Coordination Against Populist Parties: How Mainstream Parties Navigate Two-Round Majoritarian System in France
Maia Camille Raoux, Louisiana State University

YOUR IDENTITY, THEIR LIES: How Misinformation Hijacks Elections
DIPIKA PANNU, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Welfare Voter Mobilization Strategies: Effects of Family 500+ on Poland's 2019 and 2023 Elections
Michael Keith Westberg, University of North Georgia

Discussant
Songkhun Nillasithanukroh, University of Arkansas - Clinton School of Public Service

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Partisanship, Polarization & Media Fragmentation

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Chequers - 2nd Floor

Media and Political Communication

Chair
Anna Fleming, Mercer University

Participants

Asymmetric Accountability: Affective Polarization and Public Responses to Political Disinformation
Hanna Sistek, Purdue University

Change the Channel: Affective Polarization and Political Entertainment
Hillary Style, Coastal Carolina University
Victoria Lynn Smith, Farmingdale State College

Effects of Social Media Users, Content, and Features on Affective Polarization and Engagement: A Conjoint Experiment
Jean Springsteen, Washington University in St. Louis
William Yeoh, Washington University in St. Louis
Dino Christenson, Washington University in St. Louis

Selective Exposure amongst Generational Cohorts in the United States
Anna Fleming, Mercer University
Riley Kelly, Mercer University

Parallel Partisan Public Responsiveness to Policy and the News
Stuart Soroka, UCLA
Christopher B Wlezien, University of Texas at Austin

Discussant
Paul Teas, University of Chicago

This panel examines partisanship, (affective) polarization, disinformation and media fragmentation.

4700

Violence, repression and democratic contestation in Latin America

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Commerce - 3rd Floor

Latin American and Caribbean Politics

Chair
Kaitlyn Chriswell, University of Miami

Participants

Claiming the State Through Violence: Lynching and State Engagement in Mexico
Hannah Baron, Xavier University of Louisiana

Contesting crime: Non-state strategies of community resistance
Kaitlyn Chriswell, University of Miami

Stigmatizing Defiance: Citizen Attitudes Toward Violence Against Women and Indigenous Activists in Post-Accord Colombia
Isabel Guiza-Gomez, Tulane University

Law, Violence, and Emergency in Jamaica: Early Post-Independence Declarations of Emergency (1974-1977)
Jermaine Young, HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Political Violence as a Vocation: How Politicians Shape Citizens' Demand for Repression
Natán Skigin, University of Georgia

Discussant
Hannah Baron, Xavier University of Louisiana

How do citizens and political actors navigate violence, and how do their strategies shape democracy and state authority? This panel brings together research on Colombia, Mexico, and Brazil to examine the politics between victims, movements, and politicians in contexts of conflict and insecurity. In Colombia, unarmed movements mobilize for land redistribution even amid armed conflict to achieve redistributive reform through peace processes. In some parts of Mexico, victims and local communities leverage violence through extralegal practice to engage with or pressure state institutions, while in others, they organize collectively but deliberately avoid state institutions. In Brazil, politicians strategically deploy repression-based appeals that influence public support for police violence and shape attitudes toward police reforms. Taken together, these studies show how citizens and elites negotiate the terms of violence and order, with consequences for redistribution, state accountability, and democratic governance in Latin America.

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Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Durham - 3rd Floor

State Policy: Agendas, Design, and Diffusion

State Politics

Chair
Richard Fording, University of Alabama

Participants
Civil Rights Policy Diffusion in the States: The CROWN Act, 2019–2025
Nathan M. Jordan, University of Georgia
Evaluating State Anti-Human Trafficking Policy Comprehensiveness: A Comparative Analysis
Maria Marcella Burns, University of Houston
Jennifer Hayes Clark, University of Houston
One Classifier, Fifty States: An Automated Topic Coding Tool for State Legislative Activity
Christopher J Zorn, Pennsylvania State University
Rebecca Gill, University of Nevada Las Vegas
Jennie Sweet-Cushman, Chatham University
Partisan Politics and the Governance of Blockchain and Cryptocurrency
James Harrington, University of Texas at Dallas
John McCaskill, University of Texas at Dallas
Euel Elliott, University of Texas at Dallas
Salman Bin Habib, University of Texas at Dallas
Policy Priorities for Foreign Direct Investments, Taxation and Education in the State of Georgia
Denise Quinlan, Clark Atlanta University

Discussants
Richard Fording, University of Alabama
James W. Endersby, University of Missouri

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Conflict Management

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Eglinton Winton - 2nd Floor

International Conflict and Security

Chair
Dan Reiter, Emory University

Participants
Deterring Conflict or Enabling Moral Hazard: Forward Deployment and Protege Behavior
Addison Huygens, Tulane Unviersity
Peacemongering in Violent Conflicts: Making Peace to Make War
Kasia Houghton, University of St Andrews
Taming the Giant Squid: Reassessing Global Arms Trade Transparency Standards in a Constrained Disarmament Diplomacy Environment
Paulette Southall, The Graduate Center, City University of New York
The China Factor in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: Can China Be a Viable Alternative to US Mediation?
Md. Saiful Islam Shanto, Graduate Student, Department of International Relations, Jahangirnagar University, Savar, Dhaka, Bangladesh
The Question of Palestine: Leaders' Discourse, Partisanship, and Voting in the UNGA
Hashim Malallah, Florida State University
Alliance Break, Terrorism Stands: A Case Study of the G5 Sahel
John Akoeda, University of Central Florida

Discussants
Michael Burch, Eckerd College
Dan Reiter, Emory University

4700

Representation in Congress

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Jackson - 3rd Floor

Legislative Politics

Chair
Michael Patrick Olson, Washington University in St. Louis

Participants
Buying Support? Floor Amendments and Bill Support in the House, 1905-2018
Michael Lynch, UGA
Anthony Madonna, UGA
More than Service: Casework as Legislative Feedback
Megan Elizabeth Rickman Blackwood, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Annelise Russell, University of Kentucky
Populism and the Political Economy of Congressional Professionalization
Jack Rametta, University of California, Davis
Representation and Congressional (In)action on Executive Policymaking
Emily Cottle Ommundsen, University of Mississippi
Andrew Stone, University of Mississippi
The Impact of Redistricting on Candidates in Congressional Primary Elections
Jamie Carson, University of Georgia
David Cottrell, University of Georgia
Ryan Williamson, University of Wyoming
Why Some Orphan Bills Survive: Evidence from the U.S. House
Fred Gui, LSU

Discussant
Michael Patrick Olson, Washington University in St. Louis

4700

Reshaping Democracies: The Rise, Impact, and Backlash Against Far-Right and Populist Parties

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Pelican - Riverside Building

Political Parties and Interest Groups

Chair
Teresa Cornacchione, University of Florida

Participants

Contesting Democracy: White Nationalist Electoral Strategy in the European Far Right
Shea Minter, Georgetown University

Do Their Own Thing?: Mainstream Parties' Responses to the Welfare Chauvinism of the Populist Radical Rights
Woong Kwon, The University of Texas at Austin

National Memory of Dictatorships and Framing of Contemporary Right-Wing Populism in Spain and Argentina
Sally Bonsall, University of Nebraska Omaha

Neutered or Normalized? How far-right coalition participation affects voter perceptions of parties
Kendall Curtis, The University of Mississippi

Discussant
Teresa Cornacchione, University of Florida

4700

Using Their Words: Analysis of Texts In, By, and About Courts

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Royal - 3rd Floor

Judicial Politics

Chair
Ali Masood, Oberlin College

Participants

Bully Pulpit and the Bench: State of the Union Rhetoric and Supreme Court Decision-Making
Anthony Wayne Hobert, Winthrop University
Alexander D'Addario, Winthrop University

Congress Befriends the Supreme Court: Congressional Participation as Amicus Curiae during the Roberts Court
Judithanne Scourfield McLauchlan, University of South Florida St. Petersburg

Courts, Online Election Speech, and Violence Against Women in Politics in Mexico: Protection vs. Overreach
Alejandro Francisco Herran Aguirre, Universidad Autonoma de Chiapas
Maricela Hazel Pacheco Pazos, Universidad Autonoma de Chiapas

Dangerous (Legal) Language: Building a Lexical Model of State Court Ideology
Michael K Romano, Shenandoah University
Jake Truscott, University of Florida
David Hughes, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

The Judiciary as a Presidential Election Issue: An Analysis of Candidate Speeches from 1968 through 2024
Lisa Holmes, The University of Vermont

Discussant
Ricardo Robles, Fresno State University

4700

Attitudes, Learning, and Political Behavior in Public Policy

Saturday
5:00pm-6:15pm
Trafalgar - 3rd Floor

Public Policy

Chair
Creed C Tumlison, California State University - Bakersfield

Participants

Immigrant Health Threat Perceptions and Attitudes Toward Welfare Policy in the United States
Chan Song Kim, Sogang University

Schools as Political Classrooms: How Parents Learn About Government Through Their Children's Schools
David J. Fleming, Furman University

Unequal Beginnings, Unequal Voices: Adolescent Welfare Program Perceptions and Adult Political Attitudes
Nathan Micatka, University of South Alabama

Support for Prioritization of Abstract Cannabis Policy Goals in a Nationally Representative U.S. Sample
Gideon Cunningham, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Discussant
Ling Zhu, University of Houston

4800

SPSA Saturday Night Party in the French Quarter

Saturday
6:30pm-9:00pm
Crescent City Brewhouse

Meetings