



The Western

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HELLO FROM JANNI AND DANIELLE:

We hope you all enjoyed San Francisco! In this newsletter, you'll find updates on all the happenings at WPSA and award announcements. The conference theme this year was *Contested Truth*, touching on issues of “alternative facts” and the dissemination of knowledge through news and social media. We invite you to continue to reflect upon the theme with respect to a larger, ongoing conversation about the climate in the academy. Our theme this year was particularly relevant to scholars of identity. One only needs to keep up with the news to find examples of scholars of race and identity—many of whom are scholars of color—who encounter controversy for expressing their scholarly opinions or expertise on public platforms. The 2018 meeting offers an opportunity for us to consider the following questions as Political Scientists: *Who can* participate in public debates about identity politics? *Who may* do so without fearing bodily safety? What *can* we do as academics to facilitate safe discussion about difficult subjects? What *should* we do? The answers to these questions are nuanced and ones we will continue thinking about.

Until next time,

Janni and Danielle

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

Mini-Conferences

The Mini-Conference on **Policing** comprised two panels of four papers each. The first set of papers dealt with policing and organizational contexts, while the second focused on inequality in policing. Both panels were well attended, highlighting increased interest in policing across subfields.

For the third time, the **Care Ethics** Mini-Conference at WPSA gave a chance for care scholars from around the world to discuss various issues about the meaning of care ethics. Lively discussions ensued about the meaning of care, its relationship to justice and to communities of judgment, to methods for evaluating



public policy and public bureaucracy, for thinking about hospitality, for thinking about the proposal for "Part Time for All!" (Jenny Nedelsky). Participants came from the Czech Republic, Slovakia, China, Japan, Canada, and the USA. Islamic and Confucian perspectives were also discussed. Care ethics remains a lively field of study and participants benefited

from the sustained opportunity to engage with each other.

The roundtable on first-generation academics was a success.

@markdaku reflects below:



Collecting thoughts on [#wpsa18](#) roundtable on being first generation in political science. One of the key things discussed was the importance (for ourselves, other scholars & students) of speaking about our first gen status. Are

you a [#firstgenpolisci](#) scholar? What's your story? Here's mine: My father worked in construction, my mother in a call centre. I dropped out of high school, got a community college degree & was actively dissuaded from returning to university. I chose schools based on proximity & didn't know what grad school was until my final year. I had no knowledge of that world whatsoever. At one point I was juggling 3 part-time jobs to pay for school, and I never had the time or \$\$\$ to take internships. I didn't really have time to participate in university activities at all. I naively thought the way to success was to work harder, that "networking" was just a bougie term for socializing - that if I wanted to be successful I just needed to hit the books harder than others. I lacked (and still lack) the soft skills that are often taken for granted. I didn't know how to prep for an interview or what to wear. I was constantly aware of and held back by my class even if on the surface I looked like most academics (read: straight cis white man). Class is rarely discussed in discussions of diversity & inclusion & it is crucial. My experience as someone who was not held back by my gender or race is instructive. It was hard as fuck for me, confusing & alienating, and the rest of the deck *wasn't* stacked against me. So for other [#firstgen](#) scholars who are facing multiple points of disadvantage it must be unbelievably difficult. Class is rarely visible so it's worth our time and effort to make it visible - if just to let first gen students & faculty know they're not alone in the academy.

#WPSA18 WINS AND SHOUTOUTS!

Thank you to our colleagues and students for making @theWPSA special!



@DrKraybill: @ASilvaPhD—amazing discussant at our Author Meets Critic Panel. Also, **@Randy43841**—he did a great job at his first academic conference! As well as Richard Kemp's presentation on marijuana and intermediate federalism. So proud of these CSUB Poli Sci alumni.

Congratulations **@dralavariega** on being elected Vice President/Program Chair of WPSA!

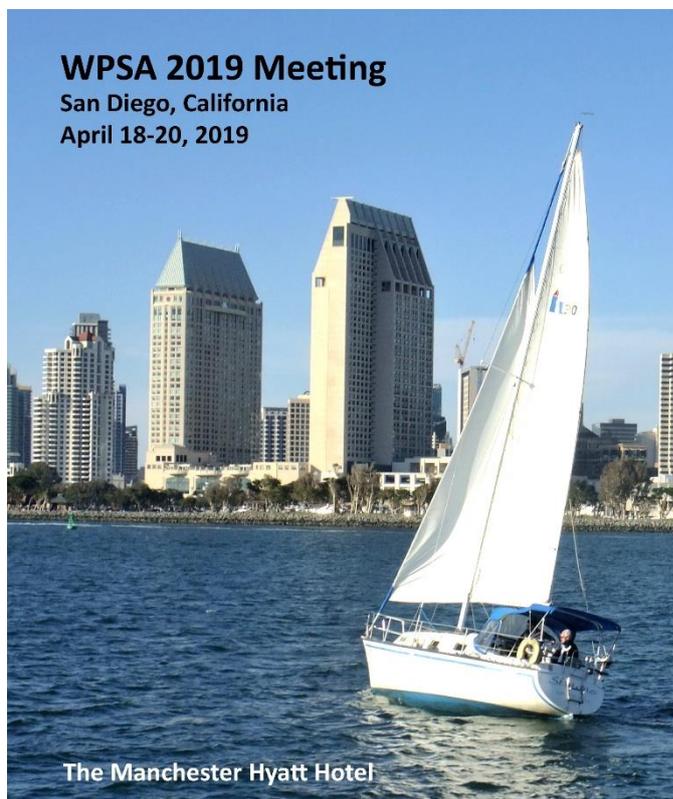


ASSOCIATION NEWS

Council Votes to Move 2019 Meetings to San Diego

The Western Political Science Association's 2019 conference was originally scheduled to be held in San Antonio, Texas. In June 2017, however, California Attorney General Xavier Becerra placed a ban on state-funded travel to Texas because of the state's discriminatory LGBTQ laws. The WPSA Executive Council voted at its meeting in August 2017 to respond to Texas's discriminatory policies and to the ban by relocating the conference to California. The council's decision was made, in part, on concern for social justice. The Association has long been supportive of the LGBTQ community and many council members felt it was untenable for the Association to remain in San Antonio given the state's policies and the ban. There were also financial considerations involved. More than 25 percent of the Association's members are from California. With the state travel ban in effect, the Association simply could not meet its contractual obligations with the San Antonio conference hotel.

During the summer, the Association cancelled its 2019 contract with the Hyatt Regency San



Antonio and signed a new contract with the Manchester Hyatt in San Diego. The San Antonio Hyatt was not happy to have the Association break the contract, but it was ultimately willing to negotiate a settlement which did not overwhelm the Association's finances nor involve legal action.

With the change in venue, the conference will now be held at the Manchester Hyatt along the beautiful waterfront in San Diego. The conference will be held on April 18 to 20, 2019. The Program Committee for the 2019 WPSA annual meetings is now being formed by the incoming

Program Chair, Jamie Mayerfeld, University of Washington. A listing of the 2019 Program Committee will appear by June on the WPSA website. The University of San Diego has agreed to serve as the local host. The Local Arrangements Team consists of Emily Edmonds-Poli, Timothy McCarty, and Cory Gooding.

Following the San Diego conference, the schedule for future meetings is as follows: the J.W. Marriott at L.A. Live in 2020 and the brand-new Hyatt Regency in Seattle, Washington, in 2021.

Where to Hold 75th Anniversary Conference?

The Western Political Science Association will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary in 2022. One of the questions the WPSA Executive Council is currently weighing is where to hold the annual meeting that year. Given the historical significance of the 2022 meeting, it would make sense to hold the conference in a particularly popular location to encourage strong turnout. But there is one other issue that the Executive Council wants to address. The Association has frequently been scheduling conferences on the Easter weekend in order to obtain hotel deals that the Association can afford. The problem with this strategy is that it has led to conflicts between the timing of the

conference and the Passover Seder. Between 2021 and 2025, the only year in which this conflict will occur is in 2022. If the Association wishes to avoid this conflict, it will need to find a popular city with reasonable rates on a non-holiday weekend.

To address these multiple goals, the Council has directed Richard Clucas, Executive Director, and Elsa Favila, Associate Director, to explore the hotel options in three cities: Las Vegas, Portland, and Salt Lake City. Finding a site in one of these cities and making a decision may prove to be a difficult task. In the past, the Association has routinely enjoyed some of its highest meeting attendance in Las Vegas, so it would be a popular choice. Well, a popular choice for some; many members have expressed a dislike of holding meetings in Las Vegas. Portland would likely be a popular destination, and it has been several years since the Association has held a meeting there. However, the last time Richard and Elsa explored hotel options in Portland, they were unable to find a hotel that would work. Salt Lake City was proposed because the WPSA originated there. Returning to Salt Lake would give the Association a chance to recognize its roots. One of the problems with Salt Lake, however, is that it may be difficult to find a hotel which will fit our needs, as was true in Portland. Some council members also expressed a concern about the potential popularity of the

location.

The Executive Council will be taking up the issue again at its meeting in Boston in August. Ideally, Richard and Elsa will have some different options within those cities from which to choose.

Call for New Editors for *The Western* Newsletter

The term of the current editors of *The Western*, Danielle Lemi, University of California, Riverside, and Janni Aragon, University of Victoria, will expire after the publication of the March 2019 newsletter. The association is seeking nominations of qualified individuals who would edit the newsletter from April 1, 2019, through March 30, 2023. This four-year term is renewable for two-year optional extensions. Nominations and self-nominations are both welcome. The WPSA encourages nominations of women and members of ethnic minorities. The editor(s) is selected by the WPSA president.

The Western was created to provide a forum for scholarly conversations on political science teaching, research, and political events focused on but not limited to the western region. Under the thoughtful guidance of the first two teams of editors, *The Western* has become an important part of the WPSA. The publication includes news

about the Association, announcements from our members, sections dedicated to research and education, and more.

The Association would like to find an editor or a team of editors who can continue to help the newsletter grow both in content and visibility. The publication was envisioned as a means not only to serve our members, but to evolve eventually into an important contribution to the discipline, while providing an additional source of revenue for the association. The Association would like to find an editor or team of editors who can bring creative vision to the tasks involved. This is a great opportunity for someone who would like to build a publication.

The Editor of *The Western* is responsible for the substantive content of the newsletter. Although the Editor remains responsible for the substantive content of the journal, he or she may appoint others to assist in the editorial process. The title of such appointments will be determined by the Editor to reflect an appropriate level of responsibility (e.g., Associate Editor, Deputy Editor) or function (e.g., Book Review Editor).

For more information on the position and how to apply, please contact WPSA Executive Director Richard Clucas (hprc@pdx.edu).

New PRQ Editors Announced

The Western Political Science Association is pleased to announce the selection of new editors for the *Political Research Quarterly*: Seth C. McKee, Texas Tech University, Editor in Chief, American Politics Field Editor; Toby J. Rider, Texas Tech University, International Relations Field Editor; Frank C. Thames, Texas Tech University, Comparative Politics and Gender Politics Field Editor; Sophia Jordán Wallace, University of Washington, Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration Field Editor; and David Lay Williams, DePaul University, Political Theory and Philosophy Field Editor.

The McKee team was approved by the WPSA Executive Council at its August meeting in San Francisco, California. The team will be replacing Jeanette Mendez (Oklahoma State University), James Scott (Texas Christian University), and Clarissa Hayward (Washington University) at the conclusion of their term in July 2018. The Association would like to thank Jeanette, James, and Clarissa for their service as PRQ editors. During their tenure, the three editors oversaw a continued expansion in the quality and reputation of the quarterly. Their work has been stellar, and the Association is very appreciative of all that they have done.

Changes in the WPSA Executive Council

The WPSA Executive Council has seen considerable change in its membership since the last issue of *The Western*. Four members began their three-year terms on the council just prior to the March meeting in San Francisco: Lan Chu, Occidental College; Farah Godrej, University of California, Riverside; Tony Carey, University of North Texas; and Mario Feit, Georgia State University. Leaving the council at that time were: Teena Gabrielson, University of Wyoming; Tiffiany Howard, University of Nevada, Las Vegas; and Jennifer Wilking, California State University, Chico. The Association thanks the departing council members for their valuable service.

At the end of the meeting, Jann Junn, University of Southern California, became the Association's president, and Jamie Mayerfeld, University of Washington, became the new Vice President/Program Chair.

During the Business Meeting in San Francisco, the Association also elected Jessica Lavariega-Monforti, California Lutheran University, to serve as the next Vice President/Program Chair. At the end of the meeting, Jessica began serving on the council as Program-Chair elect. She will serve as Program Chair for the 2020 meeting in Las

Angeles and as President for the 2021 meeting in Seattle. The association also elected Jason Casellas, University of Houston, as the first male Recording Secretary in the Association's history. His term will run from March 1, 2019-February 28, 2022. Finally, the following individuals were

elected at the business meeting to serve as council members from 2019 to 2022: Mario Guerrero, California Polytechnic University, Pomona; Natalie Masouka, Tufts University; Sarah Shair-Rosenfield, Arizona State University; and Shirin Deylami, Western Washington University.

AWARDS

The Western Political Science Association gave out awards in eleven different categories at his annual meeting in San Francisco in March. We asked the chairs of the award committees to send us their comments from the award presentation so that we could share a little bit about the award recipients and their work. Here is what they sent us.

BETTY LIFETIME SERVICE AWARD

Recipient: Timothy Kaufman-Osborn, Baker Ferguson Professor of Politics and Leadership, Whitman College

Award Committee: Valerie Martinez-Eber (chair), University of North Texas; Barbara Norrander, University of Arizona; and Shaun Bowler, University of California, Riverside

The Betty Moulds Lifetime Achievement Award (BMLAA) was created in 2015-16 to honor the remarkable contributions of the longtime Executive Director of WPSA, Betty Moulds. Ronald Schmidt Sr. was the inaugural awardee in 2017. This year the members of the BMLAA Selection Committee are delighted to



announce that Timothy V. Kaufman-Osborn (Tim), who is the Baker Ferguson Professor of Politics and Leadership, at Whitman College is the 2018 recipient of the BMLAA. Tim originally served as president of the WPSA from 2001 to 2002 but then agreed to serve one Additional year when the president-elect had to step down for personal reasons. Previously, he served the WPSA as: Vice President (2000-01), Executive Council Member (1995-98, 2000-03), Political Theory, Section Coordinator (1997) and Educational and Professional Issues, Section Coordinator (1994). Tim's service to the Association also includes eleven years on the Editorial Board of *Political Research Quarterly* (2003-2014) and assisting in the selection of the *PRQ* Editors (2004-2005). Please join the BMLAA Selection Committee and the Association in congratulating this outstanding, remarkable, generous WPSA leader.

DON T. NAKANISHI AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP AND SERVICE IN ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN POLITICS

Recipient: Diane Wong, Cornell University

Paper title: "The Politics of Staying Put: (Re)generation Not Gentrification of New York City's Chinatown"

Award Committee: Jeanett Yih Harvie (chair), University of California, Santa Barbara; Neilan Chaturvedi, California Polytechnic University; Chris Haynes, University of New Haven;

Sangay Mishra, Drew University; Cecilia Mo, Vanderbilt University

The Committee on the Status of Asian Pacific Americans (APA) have decided to give this year's Don Nakanishi Award to Diane Wong for her paper "(Re)generation Not Gentrification of New York's Chinatown," presented at the 2017 WPSA Annual Meeting.

The Don T. Nakanishi Award for Distinguished Scholarship and Service in Asian Pacific Americans Politics was established last year after the passing of our colleague and friend. The award honors the late Don Nakanishi, who was a pioneer and played a significant role in establishing Asian American studies and US minority politics as important fields of study. Don's career

also exemplified the engaged scholarship and public service that was a role model for many scholars of color in their pursuit not only of Asian Americans, but also of African American, American Indian, and Latina/o politics. His distinguished record of leadership and mentorship have inspired generations of scholars.

Diane Wong's work illustrates how ordinary neighborhood spaces can serve as a base for political mobilization with focus on political activism of intergenerational women in immigrant communities (around the topic of gentrification). Instead of focusing on traditional modes of participation in politics at the elite or electoral level, these Chinatown women use community dialogue or "shop talk" to learn about political issues in their neighborhood through various strategies of cultural resistance. The committee is impressed by Diane's use of innovative methods to renew our understanding of how ethnic enclaves are vital grounds for the understanding of APA politics, particularly through "hidden" populations.

BETTY NESVOLD WOMEN AND POLITICS AWARD

Recipient: Edana Beauvais, McGill University

Paper title: "Discursive Inequity and the Internal Exclusion of Women Speakers"

Award Committee: Susan Sterett (chair), Virginia Tech; Judith Grant, Ohio University; Jennifer Diascro, University of California, Washington Center; Taneisha Means, Vassar College; Melody Valdini, Portland State University

The committee for the Betty Nesvold Women and Politics Award was unanimous in its decision to give this year's award to Edana Beauvais for her paper, "Discursive Inequity and the Internal Exclusion of Women Speakers." This excellent paper deftly combined sociological and psychological theories with the experimental method to come up with findings that complement a variety of leadership studies that have been done in political science as well as in other fields. Beauvais writes that, "Students were asked their opinion on a non-salient policy question, and

regardless of their initial position were randomly assigned to read a vignette with a counter argument, from either 'Michael' or 'Jessica.'" Beauvais found that, "respondents who received Michael's counter argument indicate significantly more willingness to revise their initial positions, as compared to respondents who received Jessica's identical counter argument," and that, "Female respondents are significantly more willing to revise their initial positions than male respondents."

From these data, Beauvais infers a significant, inverse relationship between gendered self-esteem and willingness to revise one's opinion, thus demonstrating that people are more willing to accept male arguments as being important. This finding adds to a growing body of literature about the relationship between gender and obstacles that women face in leadership. The committee found the paper timely, articulate and thought provoking. Congratulations to Edana Beauvais for winning this year's award.

BLACKS AND POLITICS AWARD

Recipient: Jennifer Garcia, Oberlin College, and Christopher Stout, Oregon State University

Paper title: "Racism and Policymaking: How Racial Resentment Shapes Legislative Behavior in the U.S. Congress"

Award Committee: Maruice Mangum (chair), Texas Southern University; Chris Lee, Niagara University; Kim Williams, Portland State University; and Chris Towler, Western Washington University

Jennifer Garcia and Christopher Stout's paper won the 2017 Blacks in Politics Paper Award by the Western Political Science Association. Their paper was titled "Racism and Policymaking: How Racial Resentment Shapes Legislative Behavior in the U.S. Congress." Dr. Garcia is an assistant professor in the Department of Politics at Oberlin College and Dr. Stout is an assistant professor in the Department of Political Science at Oregon State University. In their paper, Garcia and Stout apply an individual-level public opinion theory to legislative actions. The committee believes their paper deserved the award for its insightfulness and consideration for using

racial resentment to explain the behavior of political elites. Therefore, the committee commends the authors for examining the effects of racial resentment on the behavior of members of Congress.

CHARLES REDD AWARD FOR BEST PAPER ON THE POLITICS OF THE AMERICAN WEST

Recipient: Daniel Tichenor, University of Oregon, and Robin Jacobson, University of Puget Sound

Paper title: "The Uneven Welcome: Diversity, Power, and Identity in the U.S. Southwest"

Award Committee: Thad Kousser (chair), University of California, San Diego; Sophia Jordan Wallace, University of Washington; Renee Van Vechten, University of Redlands

On behalf of fellow committee members Renee Van Vechten and Sophia Wallace, I'm very happy to let you know that your paper, "The Uneven Welcome," was our unanimous choice for the Charles Redd Award for the Best Paper on the American West Presented at the 2017 WPSA Conference. We have a very strong field of nominees this year, but your paper stood out for the way in which you framed an immensely important modern policy question as a puzzle of political history, the clarity with which you told the tale of two states, and the rigor with which you investigated your cases. You dove into archival primary sources but always put the details in the context of debates in the contemporary literature, providing a model of how to do compelling APD work that I'll hold up for our graduate students. This was really impressive work, and an immersive read. It truly was a pleasure to read your paper, and it is our pleasure to give you this award.

CLAY MORGAN AWARD FOR BEST BOOK IN ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICAL THEORY

Recipient: John Meyer, Humboldt State University

Book title: *Engaging the Everyday: Environmental Social Criticism and the Resonance Dilemma* (MIT Press, 2015)

Award Committee: David Schlosberg (chair), University of Sydney; Teena J. Gabrielson, University of Wyoming; and Gwen Ottinger, Drexel University

In a book that synthesizes decades of environmentally oriented scholarship and activism, John Meyer builds a framework for addressing one of the most significant questions facing contemporary environmentalists: how might we channel broad but shallow public support into meaningful collective action to address the socio-ecological crisis at hand? Advocating an approach that situates environmental problems in everyday life, Meyer looks to reintroduce everyday material practices and spaces – the car, the home – into environmental thought. Material practice, he argues, is where we can develop "resonance" between the way we live and what we know about the urgency of environmental problems.

Engaging the Everyday offers an approach to environmentalism that is inclusive of diverse constituencies, and relevant for ordinary citizens – while pushing the field in new and productive directions. Meyer himself engages the everyday, and brilliantly demonstrates how such a shift can prompt meaningful conversations about sustainability, freedom, and citizenship that may drive productive, democratic action. Innovative while pragmatic, and accessible while probing, Meyer's work helps us to understand how a focus on the kinds of practices used in everyday life can help environmental theorists engage in embedded and constructive critique.

What makes *Engaging the Everyday* an especially appropriate winner of the inaugural Clay Morgan prize is Meyer's characterization of environmental political theory as "inescapably, and broadly, a cross-disciplinary pursuit." That idea also drove Morgan's own approach for procuring manuscripts. The book is also one of the last Morgan edited before his retirement, so we recognize both John and Clay with this first book prize in environmental political theory.

DISSERTATION AWARD

Recipient: Nazita Lajevardi, Michigan State University

For her dissertation completed at the University of California, San Diego: "A Comprehensive Study of Muslim American Discrimination by Legislators, the Media, and the Masses"

Award Committee: Mark Ramirez (chair), Arizona State University; Chris DenHartog, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo; Lisa Bryant, Fresno State University

The Western Political Science Association is pleased to award Professor Nazita Lajevardi with the association's 2017 Best Dissertation Award for her dissertation "A Comprehensive Study of Muslim American Discrimination by Legislators, the Media, and the Masses." Professor Lajevardi's dissertation uses a multi-method approach to examine how the media portrays Muslim-Americans, the public's reaction to these images of Muslim-Americans, and the difficulties Muslim-Americans face in obtaining political representation. Her conclusion: Muslim-Americans face discrimination at numerous points in the political system. Professor Lajevardi's dissertation was notable for its broad assessment of the challenges facing Muslim-Americans across the various political estates, its assessment of how media coverage and racial prejudice toward Muslim-Americans compares to other racial and ethnic groups, and its ability to speak to general theories of politics such as her development of a new way to assess legislative responsiveness.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICAL THEORY AWARD

Recipient: Christian Hunold, Drexel University

Paper title: "Green Infrastructure and Urban Wildlife: From Animal Control to Shared Existence?"

Award Committee: Farah Godrej (chair), University of California, Riverside; Matt Lepori, National University of Singapore; Justin Williams, University of Michigan

In this excellent paper, Christian Hunold examines urban greening policies and programs designed and implemented by the City of Philadelphia for evidence of a shift toward more egalitarian human-wildlife relations. Are the needs of wildlife communities acknowledged in urban greening planning and policy? To what extent are city residents being prepared for the prospect of sharing their yards, streets, and parks with growing populations of wild animals? Who is doing this work? An eye-opening, thought-provoking, and well-grounded case study and discussion of animal-human co-existence which includes both theoretical innovation and discussions of policy and local government. It is innovative in its approach. Hunold takes on a wonderful topic, provides excellent empirical background, and then makes strong use of a politics of sight for his theoretical analysis.

(The Environmental Political Theory Award Committee also gave out an Honorable Mention to Piers H.G. Stephens, for his paper, "Environmental Exploitation: A Preliminary Examination of the Terrain.")

LATINA/LATINO POLITICS

Recipient: Mackenzie Israel-Trummel, University of Oklahoma, and Allyson Shortle, University of Oklahoma

Paper title: "Mobilizing Fears: Perceptions of Deportation Risk and Political Participation in 2016"

Award Committee: Marcela García-Castañon (chair), San Francisco State University; Chris Zepeda-Milan, University of California, Berkeley; Ivy Cargile, Saint Norbert College; Maria Chavez-Pringle, Pacific Lutheran University; Bernard Fraga, Indiana University,

The 2017 Best Paper in Latino Politics was authored by Mackenzie Israel-Trummel and Allyson Shortle, Assistant Professors from the University of Oklahoma. Titled "Mobilizing Fears: Perceptions of Deportation Risk and Political Participation in 2016," their paper is a timely, comprehensive exploration of the detrimental effects that hyper-surveillance and the ever-increasing threat of deportation in communities can result in demobilized,

alienated and isolated residents. They demonstrate that individual threats may demobilize political behavior, but the same threat leveraged against one's community social networks may in fact push individuals towards action. Their work pushes forward the field of Latino Politics by integrating both individual and community considerations in explaining the ways in which perceptions of threats affect members of targeted Latino communities and how they respond to protect themselves and their communities.

POLITICAL RESEARCH QUARTERLY BEST ARTICLE AWARD

Recipient: Tiffany D. Barnes, University of Kentucky, and Erin C. Cassese, West Virginia University

For their March 2017 *PRQ* article: "American Party Women: A Look at the Gender Gap within Parties"

Award Committee: Brad Jones (chair), University of California, Davis; Laron Williams, University of Missouri; Ainsley LeSure, Occidental College

On behalf of Ainsley LeSure, Laron Williams, and myself, I'm happy to announce the winner of this year's Best Paper Award in Political Research Quarterly is Tiffany Barnes and Erin Cassese for their article "American Party Women: A Look at the Gender Gap within Parties." Professor Barnes is an Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Kentucky and Professor Cassese is an Associate Professor of Political Science at West Virginia University.

Their paper tackles an important issue: the intersection of partisan polarization and gender politics in American politics. While it is well understood that there is very clear partisan sorting taking place in the U.S. and it is well understood that there are very clear "gender gaps" on social policy issues, this article examines the important issue of gender differences conditional on partisan sorting.

They demonstrate that within the Republican party, there are substantial gender differences in policy preferences that cannot simply be explained

by partisan sorting theories. Drawing on insights from gender politics research, they demonstrate that many of these differences are mediated by beliefs about gender-based equality and the scope of government.

On behalf of the committee, we congratulate Professors Barnes and Cassese!

PI SIGMA ALPHA AWARD

Recipient: Rebekah Herrick, Oklahoma State University, and Jeanette Mendez, Oklahoma State University

Paper title: "American Indian Identity's influence on Party Identification"

Award Chair: Matt Barreto (chair), University of California, Los Angeles; Sarah Fulton, Texas A&M University; Haifeng Huang, University of California, Merced

None of the committee members or the award recipient were at the conference, so we don't have a presentation to share here, but we did want to announce the winner.

CHECK IT OUT

People of Color Know Stuff:

People of Color Also Know Stuff (@**POCAlsoKnow**) was inspired by Women Also Know Stuff (@**WomenAlsoKnow**). Our goal is to promote **#POCExperts** by disseminating scholarly work, public engagements, and building/supporting a community of scholars of color in Political Science. We are especially interested in promoting and supporting early-career scholars. Are you a **#POCExpert**? Follow us, and send us your wins! Every time you publish a paper, win a grant or award, or share your work with the media, Tweet us. We want to promote you. Learn more about us here: **tinyurl.com/pocexperts**. And keep in touch—great things are on the way.

PRIEC:

Interested in sharing new work on race, ethnicity, and immigration? Looking for scholars on the market who study these topics? The Politics of Race, Immigration and Ethnicity Consortium meets throughout the year and has compiled a list of job candidates. Learn more here:

<http://priec.org>

#MeToo APSA Pre-Conference Short Course

Started by Tarana Burke in 2007 to stand with young women of color who survived sexual assault, the Me Too campaign was intended to let women know that they were not alone. Today, the phrase is now a viral awareness campaign on social media that has inspired others to share their stories, stand in solidarity with survivors, and to challenge a culture of pervasive sexual assault and harassment. The Women's Caucus will use **#MeTooPoliSci** to bring awareness to sexual harassment, assault and misconduct in our discipline. We seek to use our collective power to dispel the shame, embarrassment and secrecy that surrounds these issues. Stand with us.

This daylong event will feature panels, roundtables and a plenary session on helping to empower womyn and our allies to use their influence to combat sexual harassment and misconduct in our discipline.

This session will explore the multiple manifestations and implications of gendered biases in Political Science by “connecting the dots” between the sexual harassment described in the recent Report on 2017 APSA Survey on Sexual Harassment at Annual Meetings and other problematic issues in the discipline, particularly (1) problems like bullying and entitled and toxic forms of masculinity; (2) systematic discounting of and dismissiveness and derision toward work on gender and sexuality; (3) biases and inequities associated with things like hiring, teaching evaluations, service loads, and tenure and promotion; and (4) related and often intersecting forms of harassment, toxicity, and bullying, especially but not only those related to race and sexuality.

For more information on APSA short courses, go here:

<https://connect.apsanet.org/apsa2018/pre-conference-short-courses/>

NEW SERIES: “The Interdisciplinary Built Environment”

The Built Environment from a Cross Disciplinary Social, Cultural and Political Perspective

This series is developed in collaboration with series editor Graham Cairns and the research organisation AMPS(Architecture, Media, Politics, Society, <http://architectureemps.com/>)

Deadline for proposals: No Deadline

INTRODUCTION

The aim of this series is to establish a clear interdisciplinary definition and reference point for the multiple perspectives and approaches to research in, and related to, the built environment.

The built environment is typically understood to involve all aspects of our cities - from the scale of individual buildings (architecture) to urban design and planning. The disciplines involved in the research, design and construction of the built environment are wide ranging. They include

sociologists, human geographers, public health professionals, architects, planners, and urban designers, to mention just a few. The series promises to become a fundamental reference point to scholars across disciplines in the UK and further afield, giving multiple disciplines a platform to interconnect and learn from each other.

How to submit your proposal

Please submit one-page monograph proposals at submissions@vernonpress.com including an annotated summary/motivation, a short biographical note and (if applicable) a list of similar titles. More information on what we look for in a proposal is available [on our website](#).

Information on the call is also available at:

<https://vernonpress.com/proposal/21/741c73c6217843fad5dd8ebad888b24>

And last but not least...

THANK YOU TO OUR SECTION CHAIRS FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK!

Rina Williams, Shaun Bowler Jennifer Lawrence, Rafi Youatt,
Gwen Arnold, Neil Chaturvedi, Ainsley LeSure, Christian Phillips,
Nicholas Weller, Justin Berry, Parker Hevron, Caroline Heldman,
Mario Guerrero, Vladimir Medenica, Mary McThomas, Char
Miller, Christina Villegas, Bartholomew Sparrow, Corey Gooding,
Libby Sharrow, Matt Mendez, Meredith Conroy, Jonathan
Collins, Stacey Greene, Robin Harper, Jessica Lavariega Monforti,
Christopher Stout, Morris Levy, Celeste Montoya, Jane Junn,
Peter Lorentzen, Anne Meng, and Andrew Little

STAY TUNED FOR THE CALL FOR PAPERS FOR #WPSA19!

APRIL 18, 2019 - APRIL 20, 2019

MANCHESTER HYATT

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA