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AGENDA

Thursday, November 6

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Registration and check-in, Brighton Room

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Opening Reception, Brighton Room

Friday, November 7

7:15 – 8:20 am Executive Council Meeting, Wine Room

7:30 am – 4:00 pm Registration, Suite 227

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| Session I: Friday, 8:30 – 10:00 am |
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A. Law and the Courts Roundtable: Too Much Supreme Court?

Chair and Discussant: **Carolyn Long**, Washington State University – Vancouver

Participants:

Don Crowley, University of Idaho

Mark Graber, University of Maryland

Kerry Hunter, The College of Idaho

George Lovell, University of Washington

B. Current Politics and Political Issues in the Pacific Northwest: Roundtable

Chair and Discussant: **Clive S. Thomas**

Participants:

Clive S. Thomas, University of Alaska – Juneau

Jasper M. LiCalzi, The College of Idaho

Sean Patrick Eudaily, University of Montana – Western

William M. Lunch, Oregon State University

T. M. Sell, Highline Community College

C. International Relations I: Africa & the Diaspora

Chair and Discussant: **Joel Ngugi**, University of Washington – Seattle

Paper Presenters:

“Mobilizing the Vote Abroad: US Citizen Coalitions in Ghana Supporting Senator Barack Obama for President,” **Lisa Aubrey**, Arizona State University

“The role of the U.S and the Diaspora in Politics in Kenya: Retrospection,” **Maurice Amutabi**, Central Washington University

“Ghana and The Return of Diasporic Ancestors: What the burial sites of Dubois, Padmore and Kwame Nkrumah in Accra mean for the African Diaspora,” **Isidore Lobnibe**, Western Oregon University

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| Session II: Friday, 10:15 – 11:45 am |
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A. Political Theory

Chair: **Vicki Hsueh**

Discussant: **Kimberly Hendrickson**, Boston College

Paper Presenters:

“Analysis and the History of Political Thought,” **Peter Steinberger**, Reed College

“Citizenship and the Amish,” **Susan Cohen**, Lewis & Clark College

“Politics at/as the Intersection of Environmental and Urban Concerns: Nature, Culture, and the Silence of Political Theory,” **Delacey Tedesco**, University of Victoria

B. Successful Political Science Internships: The Do's and Don'ts

Chair and Discussant: **Ronald J. Hrebendar**, University of Utah

Participants:

Nancy Warren, Highline Community College

David Bernell, Oregon State University

Clive S. Thomas, University of Alaska – Juneau

C. International Relations II

Chair: **Timothy Jeske**, Yakima Valley Community College

Discussants: **Christina Cliff**, University of Idaho, and **Barbara Salera**, Washington State University

Paper Presenters:

“An Analysis of UN Peacekeeping Efforts,” **Christina Cliff**, University of Idaho, and **Barbara Salera**, Washington State University

“Are there any Factors Affecting the Causal Relationship between Military Spending and GDP Growth?” **Mehmet F. Dicle**, Loyola University New Orleans, and **Betul Dicle**, Louisiana State University

“An Existential Interpretation of Global Terrorism”
William D. Eldridge, The Ohio State University

“Coercing a 'Rogue State': Lessons from U.S.-Iraqi Strategic Interactions”
David Palkki, UCLA and Institute for Defense Analyses

Lunch Program, 12:00 – 1:30 pm, Crystal Ballroom

Keynote Address:

“Race and Gender in the 2008 Presidential Campaign,” **Dianne Pinderhughes**, University of Notre Dame, President of the American Political Science Association, 2007 – 2008

Session III: Friday, 1:30 – 3:00 pm

A. Law & the Courts Panel: The Presidency, Judicial Supremacy and the Constitution

Chair: **George Lovell**, University of Washington

Discussant: **Rorie Spill Solberg**, Oregon State University

Paper Presenters:

“Signing Statements before the Courts,” **Jacob Day**, Washington State University

“George W. Bush’s Unitary Presidency: Dismantling the Judiciary,” **Ericka Christensen**, Washington State University

“Judicial Supremacy and Pragmatism,” **William M. Curtis**, University of Portland

“The Separation of Powers and Models of Supreme Court Decision-Making,” **Simon Zshirnt**, Washington State University

B. Race and American Politics I: Latino Politics: Case Studies on Immigration, Mobilization, and Political Organizations

Chair & Discussant: **Martin M. Garcia**, Eastern Washington University

Paper Presenters:

“Piolin y el Papa: Methods of Mobilization in the 2006 Immigration Marches,” **Matt A. Barreto**, University of Washington

“How perceived discrimination moderates Latino trust in government and immigration policy preferences?” **Francisco I. Pedraza**, University of Washington

“Community Empowerment and Political Organizations in the Pacific Northwest: Some Historical Lessons for the Present,” **Gilberto Garcia**, Central Washington University

C. State and Local Politics

Chair: **Jasper LiCalzi**, The College of Idaho

Discussant: **Todd Schaefer**, Central Washington University

Paper Presenters:

“When Incumbency is a Disadvantage: Population Growth and the Reelection of County Commissioners.”

Mathew Manweller, Central Washington University

“Regional Colonialism: The Political Economy of Regional Migration in the Pacific Northwest.”

Andrew Thomas, Washington State University

“Measuring Interest Group Strength on the State Level”

Jasper LiCalzi, The College of Idaho

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| Session IV: Friday, 3:15 – 4:45 pm |
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A. Comparative Politics I

Chair and Discussant: **Tuong Vu**, University of Oregon

Paper Presenters:

“Finding a Way Out of the Swamp vs. the Least Soggy Part: Multilevel Policy Disasters and Vancouver’s Aboriginal Peoples,” **Patrick Smith**, Simon Fraser University

“Running, Racing, Rights: A Comparison of Disability Policy Discourse in Canada and the United States,” **Dana Baker**, Washington State University – Vancouver

“Electoral Cycles and Turnout: A Natural Experiment of Executive Responsiveness in English Local Elections,” **David Brockington**, University of Plymouth

B. Teaching and Learning in Political Science

Chair and Discussant: **Erin Richards**, Cascadia Community College

Paper Presenters:

“Teaching on-line,” **T.M. Sell**, Highline Community College

“Interdisciplinary Education in Renewable Energy: Measuring the Impact of Course Instruction on Students’ Knowledge,” **Christopher A. Simon, Theodore Batchman,** and **Christine Taylor**, University of Nevada – Reno

“Teaching, Writing and Reviewing: A Holistic Approach to Being All the Comparative Politics Professor You Can Be,” **Eliot Dickinson**, Western Oregon University

C. Women in Politics Roundtable

Chair: **Sara Weir**, Western Washington University

Participants:

Sara Weir, Western Washington University

Melissa Buis Michaux, Willamette University

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| <h2>Balmer Post-mortem</h2> |
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5:00 – 6:00 pm No-host Social Hour, Fireplace Lobby

6:00 – 9:00 pm Balmer Post-mortem Dinner, Crystal Ballroom

Speakers:

Jeff Mapes, *The Oregonian*

Stuart Elway, Washington Pollster and Director of Elway Research

Lisa Grove, Founder and Principal of Grove Insight

Andrew Over, Executive Director of the Oregon Republican Party

Saturday, November 8

7:30 – 8:00 am Continental Breakfast, Crystal Ballroom

7:45 – 9:00 am General Membership Meeting: Election of Officers & Other Business, Crystal Ballroom

A. Race in American Politics II

Chair and Discussant: **Vernon D. Johnson**, Western Washington University

Paper Presenters:

“Allegiance to Race: African American Academic Intellectuals,” **Rachael Murphey-Brown**, University of North Carolina

“Racial Resentment: A Function of Core Values and Personal Identity,” **Jerry Poppe**, Wisconsin Lutheran College

“Critical Race Theory: Constructionism vs. Science and the Role of Black Identity on Race Relations,” **Stephen Graves**, University of Nevada-Reno

“Emotions and Movement Framing: A Content Analysis from the Black Power and ACT UP Movements,” **Rhiannon Trozzi Andreini** and **Debra Salazar**, Western Washington University

B. Comparative Politics II

Chair and Discussant: Eliot Dickinson, Western Oregon University

Paper Presenters:

“Privatization, Politics and Violence: Urban Lands in Ghana,” **Nicole R. Lefore**, University of Virginia

“Burkas, Babushkas, and Bombs: Toward an Understanding of the "Black Widow" Suicide Bombers of Chechnya,” **Liz Frombgen**, Hastings College

“Women's Issues in the State Duma of the Russian Federation: Roll-Call Vote Analysis,” **Raminta Stockute**, The University of Kansas

C. American Politics

Chair: **Mathew Manweller**

Discussant: **Kevin Pirch**

Paper Presenters:

“Learning from Biased Sources: Do Perceptions of Bias Undermine the Media’s Ability to Inform the Public?” **Glenn Smith**, Washington State University

“Health Care Policy and the Consequences of a Billing Code Monopoly,” **Jennifer Bolen**, Portland State University

“Turnout and Competitive Presidential Primaries and Caucuses: Mobilizing Disadvantaged Voters,” **Caroline Tolbert**, University of Iowa

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| Session VI: Saturday 10:45 am – 12:15 pm |
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A. Race and American Politics III: Latino Political Participation and Representation in the State of Washington

Chair & Discussant: **Gilberto Garcia**, Central Washington University

Paper Presenters:

“Latino Political Participation and Representation in the Pacific Northwest: The Case of Othello, Washington,” **Pam Alvarado** and **Jana Wilson**, Central Washington University

Faculty Advisor: **Gilberto Garcia**, Central Washington University

B. Voting & Elections

Chair and Discussant: **Robert Eisinger**, Lewis & Clark College

Paper Presenters:

“The Registered Nonvoter: The Effect of All-Mail Elections on Inactive Voters,” **Priscilla Southwell**, University of Oregon

“Loneliness, Television and Participation: Subjective Measures of Social Isolation and Media Dependence as Predictors of Voting Behavior,” **David Pearl** and **Andrew Thomas**, Washington State University

“The Electoral College and Minor Parties: An Examination of Third Parties in Presidential Elections,” **Kevin Pirch**, Eastern Washington University

Annual Meeting adjourned 12:15 pm