

October 6, 2012 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The UCLA Political Science Department is organizing and hosting, a day-long conference this Saturday October 6, to discuss the graduate student papers that had been prepared for presentation at the 2012 New Orleans APSA meetings. The conference will include faculty discussants and graduate student presentations from UCLA, Stanford, UC San Diego, UC Berkeley, UC Riverside, Loyola Marymount University and University of Rochester.

Bunche 4357

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration and welcoming remarks

9:00 – 10:45 a.m. Panels

Ideology, Public Opinion and Media

Bunche 4357

Chair: Chris Tausanovitch, University of California, Los Angeles

Authors: *Estimating Ideology Using Facebook's 'Like' Data*

Robert Bond, University of California, San Diego

Swing Voter Theory in American Presidential Elections

Marcos Menchaca, University of California, Los Angeles

Not Sure?: The Gender Gap in American Trade Policy Preferences

Lauren Prather, Stanford University

Mackenzie Israel-Trummel, Stanford University

Immigration, Latinos, and White Partisan Politics: The New Democratic Defection

Michael Rivera, University of California, San Diego

Discussants: Tim Groeling, University of California, Los Angeles

Martin Johnson, University of California, Riverside

Political Economy of Public Goods Provision

Bunche 6275

Chair: Miriam Golden, University of California, Los Angeles

Authors: *Migration, Remittances, and Politics in Postwar El Salvador*

Jesse Acevedo, University of California, Los Angeles

Electoral Competition, Income Inequality and Public Goods: A Subnational Assessment

Alex Ruiz Euler, University of California, San Diego

Cooperation, Norms, and Social Networks

Alex Hughes, University of California, San Diego

The Oil Advantage: Incumbency Effects in Iranian Parliamentary Elections

Paasha Mahdavi, University of California, Los Angeles

Does Poor Economic Performance Explain the End of Dominant-Party Regimes?

Sebastián Garrido de Sierra, University of California, Los Angeles

Discussants: Michael Chwe, University of California, Los Angeles

10:45 – 11:00 a.m. Coffee break

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Panels

Comparative Elections

Bunche 4357

Chair: Indridi Indridson, University of California, Riverside

Authors: *Insurgents, Institutions and Post-conflict Elections*

Chelsea Johnson, University of California, Berkeley

Explaining Coethnic, Non-coethnic and Cross-ethnic Voting in Uganda

Hye Sung Kim, University of Rochester

Faith in the Electorate

Avital Livny, Stanford University

Criminality and Volatility in State Level Indian Elections

Devesh Tiwari, University of California, San Diego

Meddling in the Ballot Box: The Causes of Great Power Electoral Interventions

Dov Levin, University of California, Los Angeles

Discussants: Michael Thies, University of California, Los Angeles

Modern Political Theory & Expressions of the Self

Bunche 6275

Chair: Kirstie McClure, University of California, Los Angeles

Authors: *Race, Democracy and Narrative: Elite/Mass Relations and the Role of Ethnography in the Early W.E.B. Du Bois' Portrait of Democratic/Self Development*

Arash Davari, University of California, Los Angeles

The Liberal Protestant Beginnings of John Rawls

Andrius Gališanka, University of California, Berkeley

Participatory Democracy and the Limits of Voluntary Association

Emily Hallock, University of California, Los Angeles

Discussants: Andrew Dilts, Loyola Marymount University

12:30 – 12:45 p.m. Closing Remarks (Bunche 4357)