

8:30 to 9:40

PANEL A: International Politics and Relations – Blue Devil Room

Maren Milligan (Davidson College), [mamilligan@davidson.edu](mailto:mamilligan@ davidson.edu), and Tomas Husted (Davidson College), “The Phraseology of the Boko Haram Crisis in Nigeria: A Study in Content Analysis”

Oleg Kodolov (University of Waterloo), okodolov@uoguelph.ca, “Budgeting at a Time of Constraint: Canadian Provincial Governments Respond to Financial Crisis”

Han Lheem (Fayetteville State University), hlheem@uncfsu.edu, “The U.S.-China G2 Relationships: Challenges and Opportunities”

Julia Schast (Elon University), jschast@elon.edu, “Multi-lateral Treaties in the U.S. Senate”

Chair and Discussant: Gregory Weeks (UNC Charlotte), gbweeks@uncc.edu

PANEL B: The Politics of Conflict, Trust, and Justice – Blue Ridge Room

Jared Daugherty (Duke University), jfd11@duke.edu, “Elite Resentment, State-Building, and Post-War Polarization”

Ada Uche (UNC Charlotte), auche@uncc.edu, “The Role of Trust in the Public Perspective of Scientific Research”

Elisha Carol Savchak (North Carolina State University), ecsavchak@ncsu.edu, “On Pins and Needles: The Timeliness of the Invisible Judicial Process”

Chair and Discussant: Eric Heberlig (UNC Charlotte), Eric.S.Heberlig@uncc.edu

9:45 to 10:55

PANEL A: Health Policy – Blue Devil Room

Hollie Tripp (UNC Charlotte), htripp@uncc.edu, “The Health Insurance Exchange in North Carolina: Increasing Enrollment by Improving the Affordable Care Act”

Cicily Hampton (UNC Charlotte), champto4@uncc.edu, “The Status Syndrome, Revisited”

Jackson Deziel (UNC Charlotte), jdeziel@uncc.edu, “Advanced Certification of Paramedics and Its Labor Market Effects”

Chair: William Brandon (UNC Charlotte), wilbrand@uncc.edu

Discussant: Jesse Hinde (UNC-Chapel Hill), hinde@live.unc.edu

PANEL B: Women, Politics, and Society – Blue Ridge Room

Selene Medina (Johnson C Smith University), tlneves@jcsu.edu, “In Defense of Family: The United States and Its Position on CEDAW”

Nompumelelo Nobiva (Johnson C Smith University), tlneves@jcsu.edu, “Towards an Arab-Summer: The Arab Spring and Women’s Rights Movements in Tunisia and Egypt”

Tonya M. Williams (Johnson C Smith University), lmwilliams@jcsu.edu, “Rendering Black Women Visible: An Intersectional Analysis of the Impact of Health Care Reform on Black Women in the South”

Chair and Discussant: Terza Lima-Neves (Johnson C Smith University), tlneves@jcsu.edu

11:00 to 12:10

PANEL A: Education Policy – Blue Devil Room

Hydeia Hayes (Fayetteville State University), hlheem@uncfsu.edu, “Academic Performance and Student Engagements: An Empirical Analysis”

Marcus Smith (Fayetteville State University), hlheem@uncfsu.edu, “Information / Mathematical Literacy and School Administration: An Empirical Explanation”

Jason Giersch (UNC Charlotte), jgiersch@uncc.edu, “Pursuing Secondary Teaching Certifications”

Zoletta Taylor (Douglas Byrd Middle School), zolettataylor@ccs.k12.nc.us, “The Disproportionate Number of African American Students in a North Carolina County”

Chair and Discussant: Christopher Harrison (UNC-Chapel Hill), cwh07@live.unc.edu

PANEL B: Elections and Politics – Blue Ridge Room

Jonathan A. Jackson (University of Nebraska-Lincoln), jonathan.jackson@huskers.unl.edu, “Endorsements in Down-Ballot Races in North Carolina, 2000-2012”

Charles Prysby (UNC Greensboro), prysby@uncg.edu, “Age and Voting in the South: Electoral Patterns in the 2012 Election”

Eric Heberlig (UNC Charlotte), Eric.S.Heberlig@uncc.edu, Mark Shields (UNC Charlotte), Suzanne Leland (UNC Charlotte), and David Swindell (UNC Charlotte), “Urban Enthusiasm for National Political Conventions: Evaluating Determinants of Bid Submittal and Success”

Chair and Discussant: Craig Burnett (UNC Wilmington), burnettc@uncw.edu

12:15 to 1:20

Lunch – Whiteside Room

The keynote speaker is columnist and author Rob Christensen of the *News & Observer*. Presentation of the Troutman-Rainey and Oral Parks Memorial Awards will follow lunch.

1:30 to 2:40

PANEL A: Campaign Communications and Voting Behavior – Blue Devil Room

Martha Kropf (UNC Charlotte), mekropf@uncc.edu, “The Impact of Ranked Choice Voting on Campaign Cooperation and Civility: Analysis Based on Content Analysis of Campaign Communications”

Craig Burnett (UNC Wilmington), burnettc@uncw.edu, “What Do Voters Know About Ballot Measures?”

Jody C Baumgartner (East Carolina University), jodyb@jodyb.net, Jonathan S. Morris (East Carolina University), and Jeffrey M. Coleman (East Carolina University), “Does the ‘Road to the White House’ Run Through David Letterman? Chris Christie, Letterman, and Attack v. Self-Deprecating Humor”

Chair and Discussant: Aaron S. King (UNC Wilmington), kinga@uncw.edu

PANEL B: Nonprofit Organizations and Volunteers – Blue Ridge Room

Thomas J. Barth (UNC Wilmington), bartht@uncw.edu, “Values-Based Decision Making in Local Government and Nonprofit Organizations: Result of a Survey”

C. Justin Smith (UNC Wilmington), cjs1073@uncw.edu, “Reaching Towards Effectiveness: A Literature Review Examining Effective and Ineffective Practices in Nonprofit Board Development, Structure, and Response during Crisis Situations”

Elizabeth Wemlinger (UNC Charlotte), ewemling@uncc.edu, “Does Motherhood Matter? The Interaction between Gender and Parental Status on Volunteering Habits”

Chair and Discussant: Jonathan A. Jackson (University of Nebraska-Lincoln), jonathan.jackson@huskers.unl.edu

2:45 to 3:55

PANEL A: North Carolina Politics – Blue Devil Room

Professor Tom Eamon discusses his new book, *The Making of a Southern Democracy: North Carolina Politics from Kerr Scott to Pat McCrory* (UNC Press)

PANEL B: Economic and Domestic Policy – Blue Ridge Room

William R. Keech (Duke University), wkeech@gmail.com, “Economic Politics in the United States: The Costs and Risks of Democracy”

Samuel Grubbs (UNC Charlotte), sgrubbs@uncc.edu, “Getting Displaced Workers Back to Work: The Role of the Community College”

Bill Brandon (UNC Charlotte), wilbrand@uncc.edu, “Relieving the Social Security Debt Shackles by Chaining the CPI COLA: Technically Feasible, Politically Difficult, Ethically Fair”

Lois N.M. Hammond (Methodist University), aziegler@methodist.edu, “Income Inequality Within Nations: An Empirical Study”

Chair and Discussant: Tom Birkland (North Carolina State University), tabirkla@ncsu.edu

4:00 to 5:00

Organization/Executive Board Meeting – Blue Devil Room