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**Political Science Association**

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The purposes of the North Carolina Political Science Association are: to encourage the understanding of and improve instruction and research in political science; to develop collegial relations and cooperation among political scientists in North Carolina and reach out to political scientists and public officials; to encourage a greater understanding of government and politics at all educational levels; and to uphold ethical standards and foster competence.

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## **GUIDELINES**

### **2018 Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Political Science Association**

In order to facilitate dialogue and audience participation and interaction, please adhere to the following guidelines:

Each presenter should plan on speaking for **10 minutes**. The professional courtesy and respect you show to your fellow presenters and members of the audience by doing so is greatly appreciated by all. Please note that the panel chairs have been asked to be very strict in enforcing time limits and cutting off presenters who go beyond the 12 minute limit so there is enough time for discussant comments and audience questions.

Presenters should provide only a summary, highlighting the basic points of the paper (such as research question, research strategy, major research findings and conclusions). Please do not read your paper. Details should be saved for the question-and-answer period. Handouts and visual displays are always appreciated by members of the audience (especially at roundtable discussions). Also, presenters are encouraged to make their papers available online via email. Our goal is to facilitate feedback for presenters and maximize audience participation.

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Schedule for Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>:

Panel 1: 8:30-10am

Panel 2: 10:15-11:45am

Lunch: 12-1:30pm

Poster Session: 1:30-2pm

Panel 3: 2-3:30pm

Panel 4: 3:45-5:15pm

NCPSA Business Meeting: 5:30-6:30pm

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

**7:45am** Registration and Check-In Opens, Wainwright Conference Suites in Belk Dining Hall

A light breakfast will be served in the Oak Room.

**8:30am**

**ISSUES IN EDUCATION AND POLICING**

**Dogwood A**

**John Szmer**, Chair

**Tom Barth**, Discussant

**Jason Giersch**, "School and Track: Choices for College-Bound Students in North Carolina"

**Sam Grubbs**, "How Important is Higher Education to Civic Engagement?"

**Lori Brown**, "Keeping the Kids in Line: Public Perceptions about Police in Schools"

**Edward Lawson**, "Race and Police Militarization"

**Sara E. Dahill-Brown**, "The Power of Place: Rural Identity and The Politics of Rural School Reform"

**UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH**

**Oak Room**

**Amie Hess**, Chair

**Beth Wemlinger**, Discussant

**Keeleigh S. Utt**, "Weighing Desire and Initiative: An Analysis of Rational Versus Rogue UN Member States in the Push for Global Nuclear Prohibition"

**Emeline Smith**, "Collaboration Within Nonprofits: Best Practices and the Impact on Policy for Pro-Choice Organizations"

**Maritzelena Chirinos**, "An Identity Crisis: The Identity Development of DREAMers Post-DACA Termination"

**Lauren Mason**, "Radical Islamic Terrorism in France: A Case Study"

**Cameron Ruffin**, "Implications of Political Ideology on States Domestic Violence Policies: A Comparative Study of Domestic Violence Policies in a Liberal and Conservative State"

**10:15am**

**UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH**

**Dogwood A**

**Terza Lima-Neves**, Chair

**Sam Grubbs**, Discussant

**Samantha Wilkins**, "The Relationship Between Demographics and Political Attitudes towards Mental Health Legislation"

**Catherine Koontz**, "Pick Your Politics:

Exploring Student Perspectives on Personal Political Influences During their Undergraduate Studies"

**Ahmad Hill**, "Can Your Family Size Influence Your Politics?"

**Britani Peterson**, "The Gender Pay Gap"

**David Nunamaker**, "Authoritarianism and Heidegger's Black Notebooks"

**Cindy Combs**, Chair  
**Jacob Wobig**, Discussant  
**John Szmer, Erin Kaheny, and Robert Christensen**, "Diversity and the Assignment of the Majority Opinion on Collegial Courts"  
**Eric Heberlig**, "Judges, Legislators, and Perceptions of Corruption"  
**Derek R. Everett**, "A New Vision for the Old North State: Designing the North Carolina Legislative Building"  
**Tom Barth**, "Leaders as Bridgebuilders: Learning from Exemplars"  
**John Altick**, "Rancierean Jurisprudence"

**JUDGING, LEGISLATING, AND LEADERSHIP**  
**Oak Room**

**ROUNDTABLE: CAMPUS POLICE AND ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**  
**Dogwood B**

**Participants**  
**Keith Coleman**  
**Raven Sapp**  
**Hallie L. Allen**

**12:00pm LUNCH, Belk Dining Hall West**  
**Keynote Speaker: Thomas L. Brunell, University of Texas at Dallas**  
**"Looking Forward to Redistricting in 2020"**

**Awards from the 2017 NCPSA Conference, Presented by the Committee Chairs**  
**Oral Parks Memorial Faculty Paper Award Winner:** Charles Prysby, UNC Greensboro, "Changing Electoral Patterns in the American South"  
**Fidelity Investments Graduate Paper Award Winner:** Faith M. Butta, UNC Charlotte, "Life After the Uniform: Women Veterans and Voter Turnout in Presidential Elections"  
**Troutman-Rainey Undergraduate Paper Award Winner:** Cristy Villalobos, Meredith College, "Public Opinion of Voter Identifications in North Carolina"

**1:30pm**  
**POSTER SESSION, Belk West**

**Megan Chakra**, “Who wants Marijuana?”

**Abbey Frail**, “An Analysis on the Use of Sports as a Vehicle for Jihadist Radicalization in Modern Terrorism”

**Carly Goldstein**, “Defunding Terror: Targeting al-Qaeda's Finances”

**Anna Holmquist**, “Turkey-Kurdish Relations and the Rise of the PKK”

**Kemper Patton**, “Western Defection to Radical Islamic Groups”

**Justin Rodgers**, “Nuclear Threat”

**2pm**

## **INTERNATIONAL POLITICS**

**Dogwood A**

**Jeff Martinson**, Chair and Discussant

**Han Lheem**, "Philosophies and Strategies of Xi's Second Term: Chinese Dream"

**Kofi Johnson**, "Living with Distant Master: The Politics of China and Hong Kong"

**Stephen Magu**, "While the World Burns: Elites' Foreign Policy Preferences and Africa's Almost Good Fortune"

**Ngozi Caleb Kamalu**, “Military and Politics in Nigeria”

**Jacob Wobig**, "Bending the Arc of History: Examining the Influence of International Law on Racial Discrimination"

**Cindy Combs and Ryan Fertakos**, "Twitter and Online Radicalization: Creating A Tool for Analysis and Prediction"

## **WOMEN IN POLITICS AND LEADERSHIP**

**Oak Room**

**Sara E. Dahill-Brown**, Chair

**Martha Kropf**, Discussant

**Hazel A. Bridges**, "Breaking the Glass Ceiling: Advancement for Women in Supervisory Roles (GS 14 -15) and Senior Executive Service over the past Twenty- Five Years"

**Caitlyn Grimes**, "Rebranding Feminism to the Rural Audience: How to Utilize the Message of the Women's Movement in Southern Rural Communities"

**Terza Lima-Neves**, "African Women, Entrepreneurship and The Age of Technology: A Case Study of Women Business Owners in the Republic of Cabo Verde"

**David B. McLennan and Whitney Ross**

**Manzo**, "Understanding the Pipeline for Women: A Study of Women and Appointed Office"

**Melissa Buice**, "The Makers of Meaning: Indigenous Women's Gendered and Cultural Articulation in Bolivia"

## **ROUNDTABLE: NC GERRYMANDERING CASES**

**Dogwood B**

**John Holder**, Moderator

**Thomas L. Brunell**

**Thomas Eamon**

**William Hicks**

**3:45pm**

## **MEDIA, PUBLIC OPINION, AND POLITICS**

**Dogwood A**

**David B. McLennan**, Chair  
**Melissa Buice**, Discussant  
**Georgina Greenslade**, "U.S. Women's  
Approval of Obamacare"  
**Elizabeth Kusko**, "Hero, Villain, and Victim:  
Media's Narrative Slant in Coverage of  
the Police Officer"  
**Stephanie Tucker**, "Public Opinion on  
Addressing Homelessness: The Role of  
Media and Exposure"  
**Ashley Garcia**, "The Cookie Effect: Race,  
Media, and Public Perception"  
**Ben Taylor**, "Why do you watch that? Political  
Predictors of Self-Selection into  
Primetime Television Program  
Audiences"

## **ELECTIONS**

## **Oak Room**

**Eric Heberlig**, Chair  
**Jason Giersch**, Discussant  
**Zachary T. Mohr, JoEllen V. Pope, Martha  
Kropf, and MaryJo Shepherd**, "Do  
Politics Influence Election Administration  
Expenditure? Evidence from North  
Carolina Counties"  
**Mary Kolisnichenko**, "Polarization in a 2016  
Swing State: How Mean Are We?"  
**Charles Prysby**, "Social Class and Voting in  
the 2012 and 2016 Presidential  
Elections"  
**Jonathan Andrew Jackson**, "Do I Know You?  
The Accuracy of Predictions of  
Discussion Partners' Candidate  
Preference in a Presidential Nominating  
Contest"

**5:30pm**

**Dessert Reception and NCPA Business Meeting, Oak Room**

***Special Thanks***

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