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Call for Papers and Panels for:

The 33rd North Carolina
Political Science Association Meeting

Conference Theme:

“Polarized Politics: Local, National, and
International Perspectives.”

Date:

March 26 – 27, 2003

Location:

Western Carolina University
Cullowhee, North Carolina

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Greetings from the NCPSA President.

Greetings to all North Carolina Political Scientists. What a year to be studying and teaching political science! We are seeing a tremendous growth in interest among students across the state in our discipline and appropriately so. With our nation at war and the election cycle heating up across the states and nationally, it is indeed exciting to be studying political science. Please plan on joining us for our 33rd Annual Conference to be held March 26 and 27 at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee.

I believe "excitement" is the appropriate sentiment for our collective endeavors as North Carolina political scientists. Last year's program at Elon College was one of the best in memory with over 60 political scientists attending, representing 22 institutions, organized into nine panels and four roundtables, covering all of our discipline's major subdivisions. Don Livingston, last year's program chair and this year's host at Western Carolina University, has certainly done a tremendous job arranging for what looks to be another very successful conference this year. Our keynote speaker will be the noted scholar on southern politics, Merle Black, from Emory University.

The theme of our 33rd Annual Conference is "Polarized Politics: Local, National, and International Perspectives." The Executive Committee believes that this theme is most timely in capturing the essence of the current political situation and provides ample opportunities for the widest variety of scholarly contributions from across our discipline. Papers not precisely fitting the theme are, of course, welcome.

I sincerely hope that you will consider joining us this year and encouraging your undergraduate and graduate students to participate as well. The North Carolina meeting is a wonderful opportunity for our brightest students to get involved in an encouraging environment that maintains high professional standards. We will again offer the Troutman-Rainey Award (\$100) to the most outstanding undergraduate paper delivered at the conference and strongly encourage you to have your students' papers sent to Andrew Zeigler at Methodist College for review. To be eligible for nomination, the sponsoring school will need to be a member of the NCPSA. We are hoping that all political science departments across the state will renew their memberships in order to maintain the Association as one of the most vibrant state associations in the country.

It has been a privilege to serve the Association this year and to work with an excellent Executive Committee. I look forward to seeing many of you at Western Carolina in March.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis Grady, Professor
Appalachian State University

33rd NCPSA CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION FORM
March 26-27, 2004, Western Carolina University

Conference Theme: Polarized Politics: Local, National, and International Perspectives

DEADLINE FOR CONFERENCE PROPOSAL: February 6, 2004

All conference participants must pre-register for the conference and be a member of NCPSA. Registration & Membership Forms are included in this newsletter and should be mailed directly to the NCPSA Treasurer.

NAME: _____

RANK/DESIGNATION: _____ If STUDENT: ___ [Graduate] ___ [Undergraduate]

DEPARTMENT: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

Office Tele: (____) _____ - _____ Home Tele (____) _____ - _____

FAX: (____) _____ - _____ E-MAIL: _____

I am interested in taking part in the 2004 NCPSA Annual Meeting in the following capacity (check all that apply):

_____ **Organize a PANEL. Theme:** _____

_____ **Present a PAPER. Title:** _____

_____ **Organize a ROUND TABLE. Theme:** _____

_____ **Serve as:** _____ **DISCUSSANT** _____ **CHAIR** _____ **MODERATOR**

An organized paper panel is particularly welcome. However, the organizer is expected to provide information for all the members along with the panel proposal. The same applies to a round table discussion. In submitting a paper/panel/round table proposal, the individual/group assumes the responsibility to attend the Conference upon acceptance by the Program Chair.

Please mail the completed Conference Participation Form, along with a one-page abstract for the paper proposal to:

David Thornton
Associate Professor & Director of Government Studies
P.O. Box 356
Campbell University
Buies Creek, NC 27506
800 334 4111 Ext: 1488

33rd NCPSA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM
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NAME: _____

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DEPARTMENT: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

OFFICE ADDRESS: _____

HOME ADDRESS (Optional): _____

Office Tele: (____)_____-_____-_____ Home Tele: (____)_____-_____-_____

FAX: (____)_____-_____-_____ E-MAIL: _____

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE: (Please check one of the following)

	PRE-REGISTRATION*	REGISTRATION
FACULTY	_____ \$10	_____ \$15
STUDENT	_____ \$5	_____ \$10

Make checks payable to NCPSA (North Carolina Political Science Association) and Send to:

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*NOTE: Conference participants must PRE-REGISTER and become a MEMBER** of NCPSA by MARCH 12, 2004 deadline.

**Membership includes subscription to Politics & Policy and listing in the NCPSA Membership Directory. (Please note: The student membership only provides an electronic version of Politics & Policy)

**North Carolina Political Science Association
2004 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM**

NAME: _____

RANK/DESIGNATION: _____ If STUDENT: ___ [Graduate] ___
[Undergraduate]

DEPARTMENT: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

OFFICE ADDRESS: _____

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FAX: (____) _____ - _____ E-MAIL: _____

FIELD(S) OF SPECIALIZATION: _____

MEMBERSHIP FEE (Calendar Year) * **Includes subscription to Politics & Policy** *

_____ Faculty \$30

_____ Student \$15

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The NCPSA invites participation in its annual conference, and invites proposals for papers, panels and roundtable discussions from all fields of political science. The participation of students is welcome and encouraged, however, proposals from undergraduates should be recommended by a faculty member. To submit a proposal for a paper or panel, please fill out and mail in the completed Conference Participation Form along with a one-page abstract to the Program Chair at the address listed below. This form accompanies the Fall 2004 NCPSA Newsletter or it can be found at the NCPSA web site: www.apsanet.org/~ncpsa.

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Call For Nomination of North Carolina's Best Undergraduate Political Science Paper 2004 Trout-Rainey Undergraduate Paper Competition

The North Carolina Political Science Association Executive Council invites North Carolina Political Science faculty to submit outstanding undergraduate student papers to the Trout-Rainey Undergraduate Paper Competition. This competition is an excellent opportunity for the brightest undergraduate Political Science students to become more involved in an environment that promotes high professional standards and individual development. The best paper will receive a \$100 award and the award recipient will be a guest at the North Carolina Political Science Association Banquet at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina. The 2004 North Carolina Political Science Association Meeting is being held March 26-27, 2004.

Paper Eligibility Requirements:

For a paper to be eligible for nomination by a faculty member, the sponsoring school will need to be a member of the NCPSA. If your school is not a member, the 2004 Institutional Membership form accompanies the Fall 2003 NCPSA Newsletter or the form can be found at the organization's web site: www.apsanet.org/~ncpsa. Again this is an excellent opportunity to encourage budding political scientists to become more involved in their discipline through academic writing and competition. Please send all undergraduate paper nominations, along with a brief cover letter by the nominating faculty member, to the 2004 Trout-Rainey Undergraduate Paper Committee Chair:

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