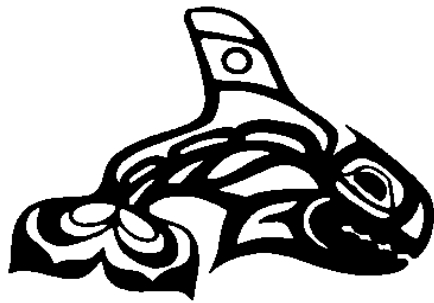


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**AGENDA**

**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**

<b>Session I: Friday, 8:30 – 10:00 am</b>
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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

<b>Session II: Friday, 10:15 – 11:45 am</b>
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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

<b>Session IV: Friday, 3:15 – 4:45 pm</b>
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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

<b>Balmer Post-mortem</b>
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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

**Session VI: Saturday 10:45 am – 12:15 pm**

**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**