# **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Friday, February 22

WELCOME RECEPTION 6-8 p.m. (Johns Hall Community Square)

Saturday, February 23

BREAKFAST 8-9 a.m. (Johns Hall Community Square)

SESSION ONE 9-10:15 a.m.

### Panel 1, Johns Hall 101

# Differing Philosophical Conceptions of Love and Happiness (Faculty)

Chair: Laura Roost, Newberry College

Discussant: Laura Roost, Newberry College

- "A Kierkegaardian Christian Politics: Love thy Neighbor and the Principle of Community"
   --John Altick, The Citadel
- "The Pursuit of Happiness and the Crisis of Liberalism"

-- Benjamin and Jenna Silber Storey, Furman University

- "The Political Taming of Eros: Wine, Warfare and Women in Plato's Laws"
  - --Ramon Lopez, Furman University

#### Panel 2, Johns Hall 105

### Money, Satisfaction, and "Fake News" (Student)

Chair: Rachel Vanderhill, Wofford College

Discussant: Jordan Ragusa, College of Charleston

- "The Effects of Partisan Media and Fake News on College Students"
  - -- Sabrina Roof, Furman University
- "Microfinance in Sub-Saharan Africa"
  - -- Carmen Marie Laughlin, Newberry College
- "Race or Location: Which Has a Greater Effect on Satisfaction?"
  - --Philisea J. Matthews, University of South Carolina, Aiken
- "Understanding the Spatial and Temporal Dynamics of Coup d'étas in Africa"
   Thomas John Collins, Annette Guild, Kevin Krivacsy, Allan Wilford, Anderson University

#### Panel 3, Johns Hall 107

# Issues in International Relations and Foreign Policy (Faculty)

Chair: Suhier Daoud, Costal Carolina University

Discussant: Cleve Fraser, Furman University

- "Congruent Illiberalism in Turkish Foreign Policy?"
  - -- Tom Wood, University of South Carolina, Aiken
- "Is China a Great Power Yet? Evidence from China's Participation in Post-Cold War UN PKOs"
  - -- Min Ye, Coastal Carolina University
- "Change and Continuity in Attitudes on International Affairs Among Religious Group: A Snapshot from the American National Election Studies" -- Mark Roeder, North Greenville University

BREAK 10:15-10:30 a.m.

#### SESSION TWO 10:30-11:45 a.m.

### Panel 4, Johns Hall 107

## Philosophical Interpretations of Scholem, Arendt, Hobbes, and Aristotle (Student)

Chair: Ramon Lopez, Furman University

Discussant: Ramon Lopez, Furman University

- "Gershorm Scholem's Crypto-Politics & Hannah Arendt's Crypto-Theology: Heresy, Justice, and Love"
  - --Jim Josefson, Bridgewater College and MacKenzie Melvin, Bridgewater College
- "Hobbes's Leviathon: A Unitary Vision Drawn from Aristotle's Account of Democracy"
   -Caleigh Madison Allen, Furman University

#### Panel 5, Johns Hall 105

# **Issues in State Politics** (Faculty)

Chair: Matthew Malone, Lander University

Discussant: Matthew Malone, Lander University

- "South Carolina's Act 388: Examining the 'Scope of Conflict' in School Property Tax Policy" -- Sarah Young, University of South Carolina Aiken
- "Unity of Disunity on Political Issue Positions Among Christians"
  - -- Mark Roeder, North Greenville University
- "Party Voting and the Balance of Power: A View from South Carolina Legislative Roll Calls" -- James Salter, Newberry College

#### Panel 6, Johns Hall 101

#### **Issues of Race and Gender** (Faculty)

Chair: Suheir Dad, Coastal Carolina University

Discussant: Grant Allard, Clemson University

- "Heritage versus Hate: Assessing Opinions in the Debate Over Confederate Monuments and Memorials" -- Christopher A. Cooper, Western Carolina University; Scott Huffmon, Winthrop University; H. Gibbs Knotts, the College of Charleston; and Seth McKee, Texas Tech University
- "Candidate Ethnicity as a Cue for Partisanship in Nonpartisan Elections"
  - -- Matthew P. Thornburg, University of South Carolina, Aiken
- "Colored Lines: Perceptions of U.S. Elites Regarding Venus and Serena Williams"
   -Teresa Cosby, Furman University

#### Panel 7, Johns Hall 109

### Topics in Comparative Politics and International Relations (Faculty)

Chair: Min Ye, Coastal Carolina University

Discussant: Rachel Vanderhill, Wofford College

- "Party Choice in Europe: Social Cleavages and the Rise of Populist Parties"
  - --Brent F. Nelsen and James L. Guth, Furman University
- "Sister Forces': Park Rangers and Regime Security in African States"
- -- Christopher Day, College of Charleston
- "Lord of the Flies? Competing States within a Group Home for Troubled Youth"
  - -- Elizabeth Georgian, University of South Carolina, Aiken

BREAK 12-12:30 p.m.

LUNCHEON & BUSINESS MEETING 12:30-2:00 p.m. (Hartness Pavilion)

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS 2-3 p.m.** (Hartness Pavilion)

Opening Remarks, U.S. Senator Tim Scott

A Conversation with Congressman William Timmons (SC 4th District)

Moderated by Dr. Brent Nelsen, Furman University

SESSION THREE 3:30-4:30 p.m.

### Panel 8, Johns Hall 101

Reflections on the Trump Administration (Student)

Chair: Kate Kaup, Furman University

Discussant: Min Ye, Coastal Carolina University

- "Populism and Piety: An Analysis of Evangelical Christian Support for Populist Politics"
   -- Eric Faidley, Furman University
- "Hegemony First: How the United States Can Maintain Primacy in the Age of Donald Trump"--Jonathan Fitzgerald, Furman University
- "Trumping Immigration Attorneys: The Effects of the Trump Administration on Immigration Litigation" -- Katherine West, Furman University
- "Impeachment in 21st Century America" -- Austin Hough, Érskine College

## Panel 9, Johns Hall 105

Book Roundtable (Faculty)

Chair & Discussant: Danielle Vinson, Furman University

"First in the South: The Case for the South Carolina Presidential Primary"
 --Jordan Ragusa and H. Gibbs Knotts, the College of Charleston

# Panel 10, Johns Hall 107

Science, Folklore, and Parks and Recreation (Faculty)

Chair: Cleve Fraser, Furman University

Discussant: Matthew Thornburg, University of South Carolina, Aiken

- "Anthony Downs meets Leslie Knoope: Using Parks and Recreation to Teach Inside Bureaucracy" -- Matthew Malone, Lander University
- "Fake Science and Folklore: William Gilmore Simms Engagement with Phrenology" --Colin D. Pearce, Clemson University
- "Presidential Particularism in Science: Studying the Role of Politics in Science" -- Grant A. Allard, Clemson University



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