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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 in the region; to establish and improve relations between 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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The South Carolina Political Science Association (SCPSA) is the state-wide professional association of political scientists. The SCPSA holds its annual meeting every February or March, a conference that is usually held on the campus of the program chair. This allows members to learn more about their colleagues’ research as well as improve their professional development skills. The conference usually consists of participation from faculty members, graduate students, and undergraduate students—the latter of which may compete for the annual Mary Jeanne Byrd Award.

The Journal of Political Science is the professional journal published annually by the SCPSA. The Journal publishes on all topics of interest to political scientists, across all specializations and methodological approaches, although some preference is given to work on Southern and South Carolina politics. The Journal is distributed to all SCPSA members, to other individual scholars, and to over 200 libraries. Indexed by ABC-PoliSCI and others, the Journal is published for the SCPSA by Atheneum Press, an academic initiative housed in the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts at Coastal Carolina University.
GUIDELINES

The Carolinas Conference

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

Presenters on panels with three papers should take 15 minutes maximum to present their findings and/or commentary. Presenters on panels with four papers should take 12 minutes maximum. 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 15 minute limit.

Presenters should provide only a summary, highlighting the basic points of the paper (such as the 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 bring extra copies of their papers for distribution as well as to make them available online via email.

CHAIRS should be polite, yet strict, in enforcing these guidelines. For example, they could inquire about the status of papers to ensure that they have been received in a timely fashion before the conference and, during the panel, notify the presenter when no more than two minutes of his/her formal time remains. They should then make certain that the panelist concludes his/her comments within the prescribed limits. Chairs can also help discuss the papers and, if appropriate, offer to provide more extensive comments in writing or after the session has concluded. Our goal is to facilitate feedback for presenters and maximize audience participation.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

For directions to Winthrop University: http://www.winthrop.edu/visitors/secondary.aspx?id=3614

The DiGiorgio Campus Center at Winthrop University is the location for all SCPSA activities. Conference Check-in and Registration will be located on the first floor in Room 114 of the DiGiorgio Campus Center and all panels will meet in rooms on the second floor of this building (220, 221). The luncheons are held in the Richardson Ballroom on the first floor and the Friday evening reception is held in the Evans Room on the third floor.

Schedule for both days:
Panel 1: 9:00-10:15am
Panel 2: 10:30-11:45am
Lunch: 12:00-1:45pm
Panel 3: 2:00-3:15pm
Panel 4: 3:30-4:45pm
Conference Building Layouts

DIGIORGIO CAMPUS CENTER – FIRST FLOOR

DIGIORGIO CAMPUS CENTER – SECOND FLOOR

Blue Star indicates that room is used for the conference
FRIDAY, MARCH 3

8:00am Registration and Check-In Opens, DiGiorgio 114
Starbucks Coffee (first floor) and Einstein Bros. Bagels (ground floor) will be open

Ongoing in DiGiorgio 114: Graduate School/NEW Leadership Program Information Tables
Karen Kedrowski, Co-Director, John C. West Forum on Politics and Policy, Winthrop University
Jennifer Leigh Disney, Professor and Chair, Political Science Department, Winthrop University
Michael Lipscomb, MLA-PLCE Graduate School Liaison, Political Science Department, Winthrop University
Martha Kropf, MPA and Public Policy PhD, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

DiGiorgio 220
EDUCATION POLICY
Karen Kedrowski, Winthrop University, Chair
Jason Giersch, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- “What Gets a Teacher Hired? Connecting with Kids, Not State Standards”
Samuel Grubbs, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- “The American Community College: History and Politics”
Gabriel Paxton, Winthrop University
- “Fighting School Resegregation and the Implications of Rock Hill’s Newest School of Choice Plan”

9:00am
DiGiorgio 221
FURMAN UNIVERSITY STUDENT PANEL ON AMERICAN AFFAIRS
Cleveland R. Fraser, Furman University, Chair
John Bleed, Furman University
- “Towards an ‘Independent America?’ Public Opinion in a New Era”
Kaitlyn Pugh, Furman University
- “Do We Have It All Wrong? Augustine on Jesus in Civil Societies”
Jeff Tonge, Furman University
- “Social Media Use, Language Proficiency, and the Hispanic Vote”
Jack Zuckerman, Furman University
- “High Speed Rail Lobbying in the Northeast: Accelerating or Decelerating?”

DiGiorgio 220
SOUTHERN POLITICS
William P. Brandon, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Chair
J. Edward Lee, Winthrop University
- “Can the Yellow Dogs Still Bark in the Carolinas?”
Charles Prysby and Taylor Allen, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- “Changing Electoral Patterns in the American South”
Dan G. Ruff, Midlands Technical College
- “Women Elected Officials in South Carolina”
Matthew P. Thornburg, University of South Carolina-Aiken
- “Party Registration, Primary Turnout and Electoral Realignment in the South”

10:30am
DiGiorgio 221
FURMAN UNIVERSITY STUDENT PANEL ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
Cleveland R. Fraser, Furman University, Chair
Sam Kristen Can, Furman University
- “South China Sea: Predicting Confrontation Levels of State Actors”
Alexi Muhumure, Furman University
- “Perpetual Tenure: The Nature of African Presidencies”
Kelsey Orr, Furman University
- “Policy Analysis: Rebalance to Asia”
Daniel Zhang, Furman University
- “Examining China’s Strategic Orientation in the Middle East: An Operational Code Analysis of the Xi Jinping Administration”
12:00 pm LUNCH, Richardson Ballroom

Keynote Roundtable: State Republican Parties in the Trump Era
Scott H. Huffmon, Winthrop University, Moderator
The Hon. Robin C. Hayes, Chairman, North Carolina Republican Party
Matt Moore, Chairman, South Carolina Republican Party

2:00 pm

DiGiorgio 220

CHINA

Melford A. Wilson, Winthrop University, Chair
George Xuezhi Guo, Guilford College
   “Succession Pattern in Chinese Elite Politics”
Han Lheem, Fayetteville State University
   “Trump’s Game to Contain China”
Kofi Johnson, Fayetteville State University
   “The Rise of China”
Adonia Williams, Fayetteville State University
   “China’s Hunt for Energy and the Case Study of Sudan”

DiGiorgio 221

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Elizabeth Fournier, St. Augustine’s University, Chair
Ryan Childress, Sigrid Ehlers, Aaron S. King, and Alexandra Piccirillo, University of North Carolina at Wilmington
   “Gender and the Decision to Run for Political Office: An Examination of Two Pools of Potential Candidates”
Tamiya Dortch, Damien Dowdy, and Elizabeth Fournier, St. Augustine’s University
   “Alternatives to the Electoral College”
Cody Fongemie, Coastal Carolina University
   “The Rise of China”

3:30 pm

DiGiorgio 220

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Ginger Williams, Winthrop University, Chair
Simon Amoni, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
   “Prayer in Public High Schools? Compliance with the post-Engel Court”
Michael DeSantis, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
   “The Political Divide”
Diedra Egger, Fayetteville State University
   “Marijuana Use Among College Students: A Survey Analysis”

DiGiorgio 221

CIVIL RIGHTS

Jennifer Disney, Winthrop University, Chair
Ryan Arioli, Winthrop University
   “LGBTQ Equality Movement, Reactionary Laws, Establishment Clause, and How It Compares to the Civil Rights Movement”
Ngozi Kamalu, Fayetteville State University
   “The Future of Affirmative Action in Light of Fisher V. University of Texas (2013)”
Parker Quinlan, Winthrop University
   “LGBT Activism: A Case Study in Institutionalizing Political Movements”

5:00 pm RECEPTION, Richardson Ballroom
SATURDAY, MARCH 4

8:00am Registration and Check-In Opens; Starbucks Coffee Open

DiGiorgio 220
WINTHROP UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PANEL
Jennifer Disney, Winthrop University, Chair
Corrina Brown, Winthrop University
“The Impact of the No Child Left Behind Act on the Reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act”
Ana Karen Castellanos, Winthrop University
“State Repression in Mexican Social Movements: Tlateloloco Y Ayotzinapa”
Gedney Howe, Winthrop University
“Gunshots Just Outside Your Window Are Not The End of the World”: NATO’s Inability to Defend Its Baltic Allies”
David Howell, Winthrop University
“Analysis of #BLM Purpose, Organization, and Political Reaction”

9:00am
DiGiorgio 221
POLITICS AND POLICY
John Holder, Winthrop University, Chair
John Altick, The Citadel
“Rancierean Politics: Civil Rights Movement and Black Lives Matter”
William P. Brandon and Lauren A. Austin, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
“Leadership and the Origin of Public Health in North Carolina”
Madison Esterle and Eric Heberlig, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
“Access Contributions in a Polarized Congress”
Charles Hollis Whittington, Coastal Carolina University
“The Emergence of Leaders: State Supreme Court Justices”

10:30am
DiGiorgio 220
ELECTIONS
John Holder, Winthrop University, Chair
Faith Butta, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
“Does Military Service Affect Voter Turnout in Presidential Elections?”
Martha Kropf and Holly Whisman, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
“Who Waits to Vote? Voter Wait Times in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina”
Martha Kropf, Zachary Mohr, JoEllen Pope and Mary Jo Shepherd, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
“Administrative Capacity: The Case of Election Administration in North Carolina”
Whitney Ross Manzo and David McLennan, Meredith College
“Political Polarization and Knowledge: Whether Polling Method Makes a Difference”

DiGiorgio 221
POLITICAL THEORY AND HISTORY
Michael Lipscomb, Winthrop University, Chair
Allie Briggs, Winthrop University
“On Post-Truth and Lies”
Colin Pearce, Clemson University
12:00pm LUNCH, Richardson Ballroom
North Carolina Political Science Association Annual Business Meeting, Awards, and Election of Officers
Oral Parks Award – Best Faculty Paper Received at North Carolina Political Science Association Conference
Fidelity Investments Graduate Paper Award – North Carolina Political Science Association
Troutman-Rainey Award – Best Undergraduate Paper, North Carolina Political Science Association
South Carolina Political Science Association Annual Business Meeting, Awards, and Election of Officers
Mary Jeanne Byrd Award – Best Undergraduate Paper, South Carolina Political Science Association
Remarks by Adam Chamberlain, Coastal Carolina University, Managing Editor of The Journal of Political Science

2:00pm

DiGiorgio 220
INTERNATIONAL POLITICS
Christopher Van Aller, Winthrop University, Chair
Rolin Mainuddin, North Carolina Central University
“The Islamic State: Transformation of a Non-State Actor and Implications for International Security”
Daniel Makowski, University of South Carolina- Upstate
“The Effects of Nationalism and Colonialism in the Middle Eastern Mandates (1919-Present)”
Julius Mutwol, Charleston Southern University

DiGiorgio 220
IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
Rolin Mainuddin, North Carolina Central University, Chair
Magdalena Krajewska, Wingate University
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Brian Smentkowski, Kirby Goidel and Craig Freeman, Queens University
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DiGiorgio 114
North Carolina Political Science Association Newly-Elected Board Meeting

DiGiorgio Center Lobby
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