Yale American Politics and Public Policy Workshop

Wednesdays, 12:00 – 1:15 p.m.
ISPS, 77 Prospect Street, Room A002

Spring 2017

JAN 25  Workshop canceled for a Political Science Department Job Talk

FEB 1*  Alessandra Casella, Professor of Economics, Columbia University
        “Trading Votes for Votes” with Thomas Palfrey

FEB 8   Vivekinan Ashok, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, Yale University
        “Policy Visibility and Citizen Demand for Government Activity”

FEB 15  Katherine McCabe, Postgraduate Associate, ISPS Policy Lab, Yale University
        “Managing Conflicts between Partisanship and Identity: An Analysis of LGBT Republican Political
        Communication”

FEB 22  Alexander Hertel-Fernandez, Assistant Professor of International & Public Affairs, Columbia
        University
        “Policy Feedback as Political Weapon: Conservative Advocacy and the Demobilization of the
        Public Sector Labor Movement”

MAR 1   John Dearborn, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, Yale University
        “The ‘Proper Organs’ for Presidential Representation: A Fresh Look at the Budget and
        Accounting Act of 1921”

MAR 8   Joshua D. Clinton, Professor of Political Science, Vanderbilt University
        “The Politics of Policy: The Initial Mass Political Effects of Medicaid Expansion in the States” and
        “New Policy, New Politics? The Effect of Medicaid Expansion on Public Support for the
        Affordable Care Act”

APR 5   Workshop canceled for Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting

APR 12  Jerome Schafer, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, Yale University
        “Time Zones, Tiredness, and Turnout: A Natural Experiment on the Effect of Sleep Deprivation
        on Voter Turnout and Election Results”

APR 19  Matthew H. Graham, Ph.D. Student in Political Science, Yale University
        “Beliefs or Guesses? Rethinking the Factual Survey Response”

APR 26  Allison P. Harris, Postdoctoral Research Associate in Politics, Princeton University
        “Judicial Diversity and Sentencing: The Circuit Court of Cook County”

MAY 3   Sophie Jacobson, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, Yale University

*Joint with the Leitner Political Economy Seminar

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Fall 2016

SEP 7  Andrew Gooch, Postdoctoral Associate, ISPS/CSAP, Yale University
“Estimating the Effects of Issue Positions: Results from Two Survey Experiments”

SEP 14  Albert Fang, Postdoctoral Associate, ISPS/CSAP, Yale University
"How Electing Minority Legislators Affects Substantive Minority Representation: Causal Evidence from the American States"

SEP 21  Patrick O’Brien, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, Yale University
“An Empirical Examination of the New Deal Era Public Finance Apparatus”

SEP 28  Tali Mendelberg, Associate Professor of Politics, Princeton University
“College Socialization and the Economic Views of Affluent Americans”

OCT 5  Ryan Owens, Professor of Political Science, University of Wisconsin
“The Influence of Home State Reputation on Native Born Federal Circuit Court Judges”

OCT 12  Vivekinan Ashok, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, Yale University
“Explaining the Puzzle of Redistribution in the United States: An Institutional Account”

OCT 26  Michael Hankinson, Ph.D. Candidate in Government and Social Policy, Harvard University
“Why is Housing So Hard to Build?: The Collective Action Problem of Spatial Proximity”

NOV 2  Jerome Schafer, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, Yale University
“Delayed Gratification in Political Behavior: Time Preferences Predict Turnout and Donations”

NOV 9  Workshop canceled for a Political Science Department Job Talk

NOV 16  John Henderson, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Yale University
“An Experimental Approach to Measuring Ideological Positions in Political Text: Extensions and Applications”

NOV 30  Joe Soss, Cowles Chair for the Study of Public Service, University of Minnesota
“Schooling as a Formative Political Experience: Authority Relations and the Education of Citizens”

DEC 7  Marc J. Hetherington, Professor of Political Science, Vanderbilt University
“The Politics of Strange Bedfellows: Enlisting the Military as Environmental Protector”

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