



**American Politics Summer Conference
OMNI New Haven Hotel at Yale
June 18-19, 2009**

Thursday, June 18:

- 12:00 p.m. Luncheon Buffet, York Room, 2nd Floor of the OMNI Hotel
- 12:45 p.m. *Opening Remarks*
- 1:00-2:00 p.m. **“Euphoria and Retrospective Voting”**
Neil Malhotra, *Stanford University*
- 2:00-2:15 p.m. Break
- 2:15-3:15 p.m. **“The Dynamics of Voter Decision Making in 2008”**
Sunshine Hillygus, *Harvard University*
- 3:15-3:30 p.m. Break
- 3:30-4:30 p.m. **“Reverse Electoral Business Cycles and the U.S. Housing Market”**
Brandice Canes-Wrone, *Princeton University*
- 4:30-5:30 p.m. Break/Hotel check-in for guests arriving on Thursday
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Cocktail Reception, The Union League Café, 1032 Chapel Street**
(In the Club Room)
- 6:30 p.m. **Conference Dinner, The Union League Café, 1032 Chapel Street**
(In the Sherman Room)



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Friday, June 19:

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet, York Room, 2nd Floor of the OMNI Hotel
- 8:45-9:45 a.m. **“Primary Competition and General Election Outcomes:
An Analysis of State and Federal Offices”**
Shigeo Hirano, *Columbia University*
- 9:45-10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:00-11:00 a.m. **“New Methods for Using Selection on Observables to Assess Selection
Bias”**
Joseph Altonji, *Yale University*
- 11:00-11:15 a.m. Break
- 11:15-12:15 p.m. **“Exploiting Friends and Neighbors:
An Instrumental Variable Approach to Estimating Coattail Effects”**
Marc Meredith, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*
- 12:15-12:30 p.m. ***Closing Remarks***
- 12:30 p.m. Luncheon Buffet, York Room, 2nd Floor of the OMNI Hotel
- 2:00 p.m. ***Adjournment***