# Political Science Senior Conference Friday, April 9 9:00am – 5:00pm

## **Main Schedule**

9:00am-10:20am: Session 1 10:30am-12:00pm: Session 2 12:10pm-1:40pm: Session 3 1:50-3:20pm: Session 4 3:30-5:00pm: Session 5

## **Zoom Rooms**

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Panel B: <a href="https://cpp.zoom.us/j/83254105239">https://cpp.zoom.us/j/83254105239</a>
Panel C: <a href="https://cpp.zoom.us/j/83254105239">https://cpp.zoom.us/j/83254105239</a>

# News, Media, and Public Opinion

Session 1, Panel A (9:00am-10:20am) – Link to room

## **Giselle Barragan**

The News Media Experience for Congresswoman: How has sexism and gender stereotypes in the news media portrayed female politicians at the congressional level?

### Francine Espinosa

How did the national legalization of same-sex marriage impact public opinion on the LGBTQ community

### Marsha Mata

Citizen Trust in E-Government

### **Emily Mendez**

Social Media and Politics

### Nairi Mouradian

Examination of the Secrets of Social Media and Internet Usage in Effecting Political Participation and Voter Turnout

## Mia Santillan

The Effects of Celebrity Endorsements on Voter Participation

# **Interning at Campaign Organizations**

Session 1, Panel B (9:00am-10:20am) - Link to room

### **Antonio Bizarron**

Can Deep Canvassing Change Voter Engagement in America?

#### Sarai Camara

The Reality of Campaigning

# Jesse Elisara

**Effective Phone Banking** 

### Karolina Juscamaita

An Unfortunate Combination: Elections During a Pandemic

### **Gianpaul Lincoln**

Communication within Campaign Management

# Jeremy Ziegel

# **The Housing Crisis & Criminal Justice**

Session 1, Panel C (9:00am-10:20am) – Link to room

## Sophia Aguirre

In with the Old, Out with the New: Analyzing the Socioeconomic Impact of Gentrification in Los Angeles

### **Kaitlyn Baltazar**

A Government for the People: A deeper look at what influences police reform

#### Erica Castaneda

The impact regulations have had on affordable housing in the United States and how minority groups have been affected by the outcome

### Jennifer Luna

The Unjust Mechanisms of the Criminal Justice System

### **Edith Morales**

Finding a Solution: An Examination of Housing Programs

### Yesennia Sandoval

Addressing the patterns, socioeconomic, and political factors contributing to the homelessness crisis in Los Angeles

## **Deystany Vickers**

**Prison Enslavement** 

# **Social Division in the United States**

Session 2, Panel A (10:30am-12:00pm) – Link to room

# Juliana Barragan

U.S State's Ideological Gun Policies: Significance of Mass Shootings

### **Christopher Lopez**

What is causing the surge of economic nationalism within the United States?

## **Andrew Mendoza**

Partisanship and Ideology in the United States

### **Harry Muttram**

The Effects of Public Perception of Immigration on Bureaucratic Discretion

### **Stephanie Perkins**

How does voter restriction laws passed by state legislation cause disparities against minorities and how does it affect voter turnout rates?

### **Alexis Vergara**

Does implementation of stricter gun control policies help create less violent crime in the United States

# **Interning with Public Organizations**

Session 2, Panel B (10:30am-12:00pm) – Link to room

# **Vivian Fernandez**

Old vs. New Campaign Strategy Effectiveness

### **Amanda Gonzalez**

### Joseph Juarez

### Julissa Lopez

Equal Access to Justice?: Self-Represented Litigants' Impact on an Overburdened Justice System

## **Mario Alberto Mendoza**

COVID-19 Effecting NGOs Management & Services

## **Soledad Reyes**

### Karla Silva

# **Elections & Political Participation in the US**

Session 2, Panel C (10:30am-12:00pm) – Link to room

### **Marisol Barrales**

The Social Impacts of Youth Environmental Movements

### **Peter Chueng**

Demographics of voters who voted by mail in the United States 2020 national election

## **Danielle Gonzalez**

### Randell Monzon

How does Ranked Choice Voting influence the Voter Turnout Gap between white and racial voters in local elections?

## **Gregory Morris**

The Efficacy of Negativity in Campaign Advertisements

## **Steven Supratman**

Presidential Debates and It's Influence on Present-Day Presidential Elections

## **Ashley Orellana**

The Impact of Social Media on Modern Protests

# Institutions in the US and Abroad

Session 3, Panel A (12:10pm-1:40pm) – Link to room

## **Elen Chtchyan**

Troubling International Relations: Turkey & Armenia

### Sandy Le

Minority Congress Members and Representation

### **Tamsin Tilford**

Ethnic Disparities in South African Healthcare Post-Apartheid

### **Caitlyn Pierce**

Does Time Together and Collegiality Matter on the U.S. Courts of Appeals?

#### **Aaron Santana**

The Aftermath of Direct Elections in the United States

### **Taylor Sunga**

Current United States Crisis Management: Is It Effective?

# **Contemporary Problems in the United States**

Session 3, Panel B (12:10pm-1:40pm) – Link to room

### **Alex Avina**

A Collapsing United States?

#### Yamyly Liliana Aldape Chavez

How Immigration Policies Change According to a Countries Needs

### Anjana Pamela Renteria

Exploring out of Punishment and into Rehabilitation: Analysis of Justice Reforms to Reduce Recidivism Rates

# Ryan E. Senneff

Understanding the Homelessness problem in California

### Joy Taui

Social Media's Influence on Political Engagement

### **Dana Yang**

Effects of racial residential segregation on socioeconomic factors/outcomes in the United States.

# Climate Change, Ethnic Conflict, & Terrorism

Session 3, Panel C (12:10pm-1:40pm) - Link to room

### **Charles Bensfield**

Climate Change Policy: Mitigation and Adaptation

## **Tairy Miranda**

Human Trafficking: A continuous conflicting issue

### Pasindu Harshana Perera

Proliferation of Ethnic Conflict in Sri Lanka

### **Erika Soares**

Is Poverty a Root Cause of Terrorism?

### **Guadalupe Tino**

Can climate change truly be solved using an international agreement? A policy analysis into the Paris Agreement

### **Emely A. Vanegas**

The Climate of Conflict: Can Climate Change Cause Violent Ethnic Conflict?

# **Public Opinion & Political Behavior in the US**

Session 4, Panel A (1:50-3:20pm) – Link to room

## **Andrew Gonzalez**

### **Arti Kapoor**

The Connection between LGBTQ Rights and Global Colonization

### **Natalie Kassar**

Cracks in the Ivory Tower: An Evaluation of Title IX-Related Resources within the California State University System

#### Sionnell McCubbins

# Breanna Ruiz

### **Maritza Sandoval**

Effects of Socially Distance Learning on Elementary students

# The Comparative Perspective

Session 4, Panel B (1:50-3:20pm) – Link to room

### Orlando Arbizu

Why are the contemporary Latin American anti-governments occurring?

#### **Catherine Gao**

Why did Asian Countries Democratize?

### **America Magana**

The Media Narratives of Sub-Saharan Africa

### **Nicholas McGuire**

Development in Africa

### **Fernando Ochoa Servin**

Political Participation in Latin America: A Quantitative Analysis of Three Countries

### **Kenneth Vielmann**

Explaining United States Influence in Latin America

# **Diplomacy and Foreign Policy**

Session 4, Panel C (1:50-3:20pm) – Link to room

### **Brian Covarruvias**

A Troubled Bilateral Policy between Mexico and the United States: The Merida Initiative

## **Christopher Donoyan**

Turkish Military Policy and Military Advancement into the Middle East

## **Thomas O. Gingell**

Counterinsurgency and Counterterrorism: Analysing the Replicable Effects of Strategic Best Practice

## **Ulises Marquez**

Tactics of Terrorism: The High Technology & Low Technology Spectrum

### **Monica Solis**

What Explains Russian Aggression Towards NATO and Its Allies?

# **Ingrid G Palacios**

Nuclear Proliferation: A Race Between Nations for Better or Worse?

## **Social Strife in the United States**

Session 5, Panel A (3:30-5:00pm) – Link to room

#### **Natalie Hauze**

Government Policies that have Influenced the Imprisonment of Minorities

### **Daniel Lomeli**

Selective Exposure with Biased Media and the Effects it Brings Americans Toward the Opposition

## Cristiana M. Lopez

Existing & Potential Impacts Due to Marijuana Legislation

### Jennifer Martinez

The Violation of Human Rights: Asylum Policies

### Montserrath O. Martinez-Paz

Criminal Law: Racial System

### **Daniel Salcido**

Is the Criminal Justice System Fair and Impartial?

# **American Politics & Comparative Politics**

Session 5, Panel B (3:30-5:00pm) – Link to room

# **Tayre Alonso**

The Mental Health System

#### **Alex Carcamo**

Why do Latin American governments violate their citizens' human rights?

#### **Emma Jue-Sans**

The Impact of Representation: LGBTQ+ Legislators

## Fernando Lopez

Creating Effective Police Reform in the United States

#### Priscilla Martir

What makes Social Movements successful?

### **Matthew Miller**

How can the United States respond to the rise of China and the two countries coexist or is conflict inevitable?

### Moné Shokry

How does an authoritarian regime survive or collapse?

# **International Relations**

Session 5, Panel C (3:30-5:00pm) – Link to room

# **James Berry**

Causes of Xenophobic Tendencies in American History

### Sean Lutz

Understanding the Modern Relationship Between Russia and the West

### **Nicholas Ortiz**

Sino-African Relations: Differing Perspectives on Debt-Trap Diplomacy and Foreign Aid

## Micah Parker

Victim Perpetrators: A Legal Analysis this classification of child soldiers

## **Shahin Shams**

Is secularism in the Middle East going to be the wave of political discourse to answer theocratic regimes?

## **Jeffrey Soria**

The United States and China: On the Cusp of Conflict

## **Robert Weeks**

Right-Wing Extremism: Understanding the Various Factors which Have Contributed to the International Growth of Right-Wing Extremism