

46th Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science AssociationFinal Program



March 8th – March 9th, 2019

2019 ARKPSA Schedule

Friday, March 8th: Carnell Hall, Ella's Restaurant
• 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM: Executive Board Meeting

Friday, March 8th: 5th floor of Arkansas Union, University of Arkansas • Noon – 4:15 PM: Registration open (Student Union Ballroom Lobby)

- 1:00 PM 2:30 PM: Session #1
- 2:30 PM 2:45 PM: Break light snacks available
- 2:45 PM 4:15 PM: Session #2
- 4:15 PM 5:15 PM: Business Meeting
- 4:15 PM 5:15 PM: Graduate Recruitment Fair
- 5:15 PM 5:30 PM: Break for Movement to Carnell Hall for Reception

Friday, March 8th: Carnell Hall • 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM: Reception

Friday, March 8th: 5th floor of Arkansas Union, University of Arkansas

• 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM: Dinner and Keynote Speaker, Dr. Janine Parry, Professor of Political Science, University of Arkansas (Student Union Ballroom)

Saturday, March 9th: 5th floor of Arkansas Union, University of Arkansas

- 8:00 AM 10:30 AM: Registration open (Student Union Ballroom Lobby)
- 8:30 AM 10:00 AM: Session #3
- 10:00 AM 10:15 AM: Break- light snacks available
- 10:15 AM 11:45 AM: Session #4
- 11:45 12:00 Noon: Movement to Lunch
- •Noon − 1:30 PM: Lunch and Guest Speaker, State Representative Vivian Flowers (Student Union Ballroom)

The organizers would like to thank the following section chairs for the vital role they played in shaping the programming for this event:

American Government & Politics: Heather Yates, University of Central Arkansas

Arkansas Politics/State Politics: John Davis, University of Arkansas at Monticello

International Relations/Comparative Politics: Kevin Brenan, Ouachita Baptist University

Political Theory: Matt Evans, Northwest Arkansas Community College

Public Administration/Public Policy: Joshua Mitchell, University of Arkansas

Graduate/Undergraduate Student Research: Xavier Medina Vidal, University of Arkansas

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The Diane D. Blair Center for Southern Politics & Society

The J. William Fulbright College of Arts & Sciences

The Department of Political Science

The Public Policy Ph.D. Program

Friday, March 8th

Session #1: 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

Room 504 ARKU: Political Theory Roundtable: Sheldon Wolin, Democracy Incorporated: Managed Democracy and the Specter of Inverted Totalitarianism

Roundtable Participants:

Clay Arnold, University of Central Arkansas (carnold@uca.edu)

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Michael T. Rogers, Arkansas Tech University (mrogers6@atu.edu)

Carol Strong, University of Arkansas at Monticello (strong@uamont.edu)

Mary Beth Sullivan, University of Central Arkansas (marys@uca.edu)

Steven Thomason, Ouachita Baptist University (thomasons@obu.edu)

Room 507 ARKU: International Relations and Comparative Politics Roundtable: Africa

Chair: Kevin Brennan, Ouachita Baptist University (brennank@obu.edu)

The Democratization Process in Africa
Gizachew Tiruneh, University of Central Arkansas (gtiruneh@uca.edu)

Trends in Accountability for Human Rights Violations Across Africa Eric Wiebelhaus-Brahm, University of Arkansas at Little Rock (ejwiebelhaus@ualr.edu)

Instability in the Horn of Africa: The Impact of Al-Shabaab Bill Topich, Pulaski Academy (bill.topich@pulaskiacademy.org)

"Hell" away from Home: Perspectives on Internal Displacement in Nigeria. Michael Ihuoma Ogu, Arkansas Tech University (mogu@atu.edu)

Room 508 ARKU: American Politics Roundtable: The Dynamics of Gender in Politics and the 2018 Midterms

Roundtable Participants:

Kim U. Hoffman, University of Central Arkansas (khoffman@uca.edu)

Kim Maslin, Hendrix College (maslin@hendrix.edu)

Karen Sebold, University of Arkansas (ksebold@uark.edu)

Nicole Foster Shoaf, Missouri Southern State University(shoaf-n@mssu.edu)

Heather E. Yates, University of Central Arkansas (hyates@uca.edu)

Room 511 ARKU: Undergraduate Student Panel on American Politics: Race and Ethnic Politics

Chair and Discussant: Xavier Medina Vidal, University of Arkansas (dxmedina@uark.edu)

Law and Suppression: A Comparison of African American and Women Suffrage Teague Broquard, John Brown University (broquardt@jbu.edu)

Policing the Vote: Political Consequences of Domestic Militarization Graydon Carter, Hendrix College (cartergg@hendrix.edu)

Latino Ex-Felons: Mobilizing a doubly Marginalized Group Alexandra Mora, University of Arkansas (am016@uark.edu)

A 20th Century Segregation Agenda: A Historical Analysis of the Public Housing Practices of Urban Renewal, Slum Clearance, and the HUD Program Shanika J. Smith, Henderson State University (smithsha@hsu.edu)

Session #2: 2:45 PM – 4:15 PM

Room 504 ARKU: Undergraduate Student Panel on American Politics: Public Attitudes and Public Policy

Chair and Discussant: Patrick Stewart, University of Arkansas (pastewar@uark.edu)

Perceptions of the North American Free Trade Agreement, Mexican Emigration, and Industry Growth

Colin González, University of Arkansas (cbgonzal@uark.edu)

United States Federalism and Health Care: An Evaluation of Medicaid Expansion through 1115 Waivers

Wes Hance, Hendrix College (hanceww@hendrix.edu)

Parents or the Internet, What Really Influences Political Party ID Amanda Weston, Lyon College (amanda.weston@lyon.edu)

Room 507 ARKU: Undergraduate Student Panel on International Relations and Comparative Politics: Policy Diffusion and International Law

Chair and Discussant: Kevin Brenan, Ouachita Baptist University (brennank@obu.edu)

Balancing the Checks: Analysis of the Relationship Between Government Expenditure and Private Sector Growth

Blackerby Austin Taylor, Hendrix College (blackerbyaa@hendrix.edu)

Euroscepticism or Russian Aggression? Explaining Eastern European States' Reservations to a Europe-Only Collective Self-Defense Alliance Wilson Daily, Hendrix College (dailyww@hendrix.edu)

Tracing Norm Diffusion Through the UPR process: Why States Rescind Reservations Hayden May, Hendrix College (mayhh@hendrix.edu)

Arbitration and Compliance in WTO Trade Disputes John Tate, Hendrix College (tatejj2@hendrix.edu)

Central Europe, the European Union, and Democratic Backsliding: The Role of National Identity in Norm Diffusion

Adam Williams, Hendrix College (adamwilliams513@gmail.com)

Room 508 ARKU: Undergraduate Student Panel on American Politics: State Politics and Policy

Chair and Discussant: Janine Parry, University of Arkansas (parry@uark.edu)

Shadow Justice: Gubernatorial Clemency in the American States
Holly Haner, Missouri Southern State University (HanerH001@mymail.mssu.edu)

Women in Conflict: An Opening for Female Political Representation Laura Ruiz Astorga, University of Arkansas at Little Rock (lxruizastor@ualr.edu)

The Effects of Racism on Support for Capital Punishment: A Look at U.S. State Demographics Hannah Smithee, Lyon College (hannah.smithee@lyon.edu)

Room 511 ARKU: Public Administration and Public Policy Panel #2

Chair: Ty Dooley, University of Memphis (tpdooley@memphis.edu

Discussant: Josh Mitchell, University of Arkansas (jlm038@uark.edu)

Public Administration Curricula: In Search of Social Equity Statements Ty Dooley, University of Memphis (tpdooley@memphis.edu)

The Impact of Tariffs and Trade Wars: An Economic Minefield
Matthew Law, University of Central Arkansas (mlaw4832@gmail.com)

Hog Farms and Public Policy in Arkansas
Sterling Penix, Southern Arkansas University (sterlingpenix01@gmail.com)

Post-Panel Events

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- 4:15 PM 5:15 PM: Graduate Recruitment Event (Room 504 ARKU)
- 5:30 PM 6:30 PM: Reception (Carnell House)
- 7:00 PM 9:00 PM: Dinner and Keynote Speaker, Dr. Janine Parry, Professor of Political Science, University of Arkansas (Arkansas Union, Student Union Ballroom)

Friday Evening Speaker: Dr. Janine Parry



Janine A. Parry is Professor of Political Science at the University of Arkansas and has directed the Diane D. Blair Center's annual Arkansas Poll since its inception in 1999. The author of two books and almost 50 other published works on subjects relating to state politics, voter behavior, and gender and politics, she frequently provides analysis to media outlets, including NPR, CNN, the BBC, the New York Times, and more. She teaches courses at the introductory through graduate level on topics including American National Government, Politics on Film, Arkansas Politics, Gender and Politics, and more, and has earned numerous teaching honors, including the Baum Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2016. From 2008-2011, she codirected the Teaching and Faculty Support Center at the University of Arkansas, and from 2012-2014 she served as the elected Chair of the Campus Faculty/Faculty Senate. She earned her bachelor's degree in political science from Western Washington University magna cum laude and her master's and doctoral degrees in political science from Washington State University.

Saturday, March 9th

Session #3: 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Room 504 ARKU: International Relations/Comparative Politics Panel

Chair and Discussant: Christopher Main, University of Arkansas (cbmain@uark.edu)

Economic Interdependence or Realist Concerns? Citizens' Attitudes Among the Japanese Regarding the Use of Force Against China Satoshi Machida, University of Nebraska-Kearney (machidas1@unk.edu)

Interstate Cyber-Attacks: Motivations and Constraints: A Preliminary Analysis Dmitry Nurullayev, Louisiana State University
Mark Mullenbach, University of Central Arkansas (markm@uca.edu)

Terrorists as Rebels: Territorial Goals, Oil Resources, and Civil War Onset Sambuddha Ghatak, San Jose State University Suveyda Karakaya, Clinton School of Public Service and Philander Smith College (SKarakaya@philander.edu)

Out of the Dark: Bringing Transnational Advocacy Networks in the Campaign for Abolition of the Death Penalty to the Foreground Meredith Warren, Hendrix College (WarrenMM@hendrix.edu)

Room 507 ARKU: Public Administration and Public Policy Panel #1

Chair: Josh Mitchell, University of Arkansas (jlm038@uark.edu)

Discussant: Amber Overholser, Southern Arkansas University (AmberOverholser@saumag.edu)

Bureaucratic Information Environments and Institutional Arrangements: The Influence of Power, Professionalism, and Polarization on State Agency Head Interactions
Kisha Hardwick, University of Central Arkansas (khardwick1@uca.edu)

National Monuments; Agendas, Open Windows and Alternatives Amber Overholser, Southern Arkansas University (AmberOverholser@saumag.edu)

Covering the Spread of Betting
Brendan Toner, Arkansas Tech University (btoner@atu.edu)
Michael Komarek, Arkansas Tech University (mkomarek@atu.edu)

Room 508 ARKU: Roundtable on Arkansas Politics

Roundtable Participants:

Jay Barth, Hendrix College (barth@hendrix.edu)
Hal Bass, Ouachita Baptist University (bassh@obu.edu)
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Andrew Dowdle, University of Arkansas (adowdle@uark.edu)
Joseph Giammo, University of Arkansas at Little Rock (jdgiammo@ualr.edu)

Room 511 ARKU: American Politics Panel

Chair: Tom McInnis, University of Central Arkansas (tomm@uca.edu)
Discussants: Matthew Gross, Henderson State University (grossm@hsu.edu)
Michael T. Rogers, Arkansas Tech University (mrogers6@atu.edu)

Exploring Institutional Threats to Farmers and Gun Ownership in Rural America Sophia Barkat, Northern Arizona University (sb334@nau.edu)

Veteran and Non-veteran Enlistment Advice to Prospective Military Service members: The Influence of Policy Perceptions and Exposure to Military Culture Eric Button, University of Arkansas (edbutton@uark.edu)

Presidential Scandal and the Congressional Response: Separation of Powers or Partisan Loyalty?

Matthew Gross, Henderson State University (grossm@hsu.edu)

Original Originalism: The Role of The Federalist Papers Prior to the Civil War Tom McInnis, University of Central Arkansas (tomm@uca.edu)

The Civic Education Conundrum: Can Pedagogy Affect Civic Engagement, not just Civic Literacy?

Michael T. Rogers, Arkansas Tech University (mrogers6@atu.edu)

Donald M. Gooch, Stephen F. Austin State University (goochdm@sfasu.edu)

Session #4: 10:15 AM – 11:45 AM

Room 504 ARKU: Undergraduate Student Panel on American Politics: Institutions

Chair and Discussant: Joseph Giammo University of Arkansas at Little Rock (jdgiammo@ualr.edu)

Party Problems? Investigating Instances of Class Bias in Political Party Endorsements Noah Adams, Hendrix College (adamsnn@hendrix.edu)

How Competition Affects Polarization in the Congressional Redistricting Process Benn Garrett, Northeastern State University (garret32@nsuok.edu)

Presidential Politics and Spectacle: A Study of Their Correlation and Utilization Emily Noel, Arkansas State University (emily.noel@smail.asu.edu)

The Effects of Party Polarization on College Students
Alexandria Cisco, Arkansas Tech University (acisco@atu.edu)

Room 507 ARKU: Panel on Graduate Student Research in American Politics

Chair and Discussant: Jay Barth, Hendrix College (barth@hendrix.edu)

We Stand During the National Anthem: How the American Dream rhetoric has shaped current mass mobilization movements among undocumented immigrants (DREAMers)

Alejandra Campos, University of Arkansas (ac011@uark.edu)

How Does the Money Flow?: What Type of Expenditures do Super PACs Make in House and Senate Elections, 2009-2018

Megan Elmore, University of Arkansas (mcelmore@uark.edu)

Talk is Cheap: Non-Verbal Behavioral Analysis of Judge Kavanaugh During Sexual Assault Hearing

Alexandra Johnson, University of Arkansas (anj022@uark.edu)

Evaluating the Effects of a Post Obergefell v Hodges Landscape on LGBT Voter Turnout: Do You, Voter, Take This Ballot?

Kacee Sparks, University of Arkansas (brsparks@uark.edu)

Room 508 ARKU: Arkansas and State Politics Panel

Chair and Discussant: Janine Parry, University of Arkansas (parry@uark.edu)

Meeting the Needs of Self-Represented Litigants: An Analysis of Court-Based Legal Services Joshua Stephen Ebiner, California State University, Sacramento (pmacharia@csus.edu)

Arkansas 2050: A Geographical Analysis of Arkansas' Future Political Landscape Patrick Hagge, Arkansas Tech University (phagge@atu.edu)

Second In Line: An Analysis of the Office of Lieutenant Governor Hunter Hall, University of Arkansas at Monticello (hunterh72599@gmail.com) John C. Davis, University of Arkansas at Monticello (davisjc@uamont.edu)

Room 511 ARKU: Undergraduate Student Panel on International Relations and Comparative Politics: Human Rights, Ethics and Environmental Policy

Chair and Discussant: Mark Mullenbach, University of Central Arkansas (markm@uca.edu)

Reflections on the Refugee Crisis: The Environmental Effect of Population Displacement Blythe Bull, Hendrix College (bullbb@hendrix.edu)

Her Rights, Everyone's Benefit: Women's Rights in the Global Economy Hannah Burdette, Hendrix College (burdettehh@hendrix.edu)

Guilt and individual responsibility within Gacaca court system in post-genocide Rwanda Maxfield Hancock, Hendrix College (hancockmm@hendrix.edu)

Exploring Variation in Countries' Response to Refugee Crises
Rosalinda Roper, University of Arkansas at Little Rock (rxroper@ualr.edu)

State's Response to the World Court
Alex Tiller, Hendrix College (tillerdd@hendrix.edu)

Post-Panel Event

•Noon − 1:30 PM: Lunch and Guest Speaker, State Representative Vivian Flowers (Student Union Ballroom)

Saturday Lunch Speaker: Representative Vivian Flowers



Representative Vivian Flowers' education, volunteerism, and work in public service catapulted her to service for the state of Arkansas when she was sworn into the 90th Arkansas General Assembly as State Representative for District 17 in 2015. Now in her third second term, she serves on the House Public Transportation and Agriculture, Forestry & Economic Development Committees, as well as the Legislative Joint Auditing and Advanced Communications & Information Technology Committees. She is the immediate past chair of the Arkansas Legislative Black Caucus, was recently elected as Region X Chair of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBCSL), and continues to serve as the Women in Legislative Leadership (WILL) Arkansas state chair. She served on the Governor's Council on Medicaid Reform during her first term.

Flowers completed her undergraduate studies in political science and professional technical writing at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, and completed her Master of Public Service degree at the Clinton School of Public Service in 2006, as a graduate of the Inaugural Class. Upon graduation, she accepted a position as Director of Recruitment for Diversity at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS), and later served as Chief Operating Officer. She led the department's diversity recruitment, program, and leadership efforts at UAMS for nearly a decade. A 5th generation Arkansan and a proud Pine Bluff native, Flowers currently resides in the Historic District of downtown Pine Bluff. She is a member of the Pine Bluff Branch of the NAACP, and an active member of St. John AME Church.