
3rd ANNUAL
MIDWEST POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDENT
RESEARCH CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, APRIL 23
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12:00 - 4:00 Conference Registration
South Lobby, Webster Hall

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1:00 - 2:15 Paper Presentations, Session 1A
Lecture Room 105, Webster Hall

International Politics

"Human Rights -- Both Past and Present"
Presenter: Brenda A. Proskocil, Wayne State College

"Virtue Oriented Sovereignty: The Last Best Hope for the UN?"
Presenter: Kimberly R. M. Hill, Evangel College

"Under the Gun: The Evolving Relationship between the Military and Democracy in El Salvador"
Presenter: Erich G. Frankland, University of Oklahoma

Chair: Sara Sale, Missouri Southern State College

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2:15 - 2:30 Break

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2:30 - 3:45 Paper Presentations, Session 2A
Lecture Room 105, Webster Hall

Political Theory

"Machiavelli's Use of Historical Precedent in Political Philosophy"
Presenter: Brett Cott, Benedictine College

"Leo Strauss, Machiavelli, and the True Nature of Philosophy"
Presenter: David L. Vogel, Kansas State University

"The Federalists, Plato, and Rousseau: An Examination of Three Schools of Political Thought
on the Concepts of Human Nature and the Ideal Form of Government"
Presenter: H. Kevin Fulk, Benedictine College

Chair: Allen O'Donnell, Wayne State College
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Paper Presentations, Session 2B

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American Politics I

"Accountability and the Perceptions of the Atchison Voter"

Presenter: Scott White, Benedictine College

"Is the Media Biased? A Look at the 1992 Presidential Election and News Coverage Analysis of the New York Times"

Presenter: Kaylea Hutson, Missouri Southern State College

"A Study of the Factors Influencing Internal Political Efficacy in the American Voter"

Presenter: David J. Freund, Benedictine College

Chair: Bruce Nesmith, Coe College

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3:45 - 4:00 Break

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4:00 - 5:00 General Session

Lecture Room 105, Webster Hall

"Knowledge, Politics, and Public Policy"

Presenter: Dr. Stephen Staub

University of Alabama

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5:30 - 7:00 Reception

Joplin Ramada Inn

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 - 10:00 Conference Registration
South Lobby, Webster Hall

8:15 - 9:30 Paper Presentations, Session 3A
Lecture Room 105, Webster Hall

American Politics II

"Congressional Voting Behavior: A Matter of Conviction or Consensus"
Presenter: Vaughn L. Vance, Coe College

"Political Representation and Apportionment"
Presenter: Jason A. Brooks, Wayne State College

"An Examination of Rational Choice Voter Models and Their Performance in Recent National Elections"
Presenter: James T. LaPlant, University of Oklahoma
Chair: Tom Simpson, Missouri Southern State College

Paper Presentations, Session 3B
Lecture Room 106, Webster Hall

Emerging Issues

"Religion, Politics, and Homosexuality"
Presenter: Steven D. Junion, Coe College

"Population Growth Control Ideology and the Sustainable Paradigm"
Presenter: Stacy Pugh, Drury College

"Women in Development in Sub-Saharan Africa"
Presenter: Julie A. Burkhart, Wichita State University
Chair: Ari Maduff, University of Iowa

9:30 - 9:45 Break

9:45 - 11:00 Paper Presentations, Session 4A
Lecture Room 105, Webster Hall

Law and Public Policy

"Taming the Colorado: Politics of the Environment"
Presenter: Adell L. Amos, Drury College

"The Cruzan Decision: An Examination of the Right to Privacy"
Presenter: Gretchen Johnson, Missouri Southern State College

"The Politics and Policy of Financing Public Education in Kansas"
Presenter: John P. Wagnon, Fort Hays State University

Chair: Steven Alumbaugh, Avila College

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11:00 - 11:15 Break

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11:15 - 12:00 General Session
Lecture Room 105, Webster Hall

"Political Science in the Workplace"
Presenter: Richard C. McConnell
*Assistant to the City Administrator
Branson, Missouri*

Conference Adjournment

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