FRIDAY, 6 MARCH 2020

Panel Session V: 8:30-10:00 A.M.

Panel H: Partisanship and Migration in the South (230 MCH)

“TheDelayedRepublicanRealignmentof
RuralWhiteSoutherners”—SeanF.Evans(Union
University)

“EleetWilders,ElectionsFairfax:African-
AmericanStatewideCandidatesandVirginia’sPolitical
Transformation”—MarkJ.Roezli(GeorgeMason
University)

“MoversandStayersandtheTransformationof
SouthernPartisanship”—IrwinL.Morris(230
North
Carolina
State
University)

“TheSouth:GrowthVersusStagnationandPartisan
Change”—CharlesS.Bullock,III(Universityof
Georgia)

Discussants: David Rohde (Duke University) and
Scott C. McKee (Texas Tech University)

Panel I: Public Policy (228 MCH)

“ExplainingStateDifferencesinFirearm
Legislation:ASouth/Non-SouthAnalysis”—Robert
Kenter(OldDominionUniversity),JohnC.Morris
(AuburnUniversity),andMartinMayer(Universityof
NorthCarolinaatPembroke)

“ChristmasTrees,Presidents,andMassShootings:
ExplainingGunPurchasesintheSouthandNon-South”—
KristinaL.LaPlant(UniversityofWisconsin-
LaCrosse)andJamesT.LaPlant(ValdostaState
University)

“TheRoleofIdentity,Region,andRacein
AttitudesaboutGunRegulationPolicy”—Xavier
MedinaVidal,RocioA.Paez,andToddG.Shields(all
UniversityofArkansas)

“DisasterPoliticsinDeepSouth:TheChanging
FaceofVulnerabilityintheAftermathoftheDWHOil
Spill”—TonyaThortonNeaves(GeorgeMason
University)

Discussants: John C. Morris (Auburn University) and
John M. Theilmann (Converse College)

Panel Session VI: 10:30-11:45 A.M.

Panel J: Regionalism and Voting Behavior (230
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“ThePoliticalImplicationsofSouthernRegional
IdentificationinKentucky,Missouri,andWest
Virginia”—JoelF.Turner,JeffreyKash,ScottLasley
(allWesternKentuckyUniversity)andScottE.
Buchanan(TheCitadel)

“WinningattheMargins:MicrotargetingtoWin
Floridain2020”—SusanA.MacManus(Universityof
SouthFlorida,Emepita)andAmyBenner(Rutgers
University)

“TheBlackWidowofAlabamaPolitics:SibylPool
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ThomasR.Hunter(bothUniversityofWestGeorgia)

“TheSouthernVoter”—ChristopherCooper
(WesternCarolinaUniversity),ScottHuffmon
(WinthropUniversity),H.GibbsKnotts(College
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StickAt’”—KennethBryant,Jr.,MarkOwens,and
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“TheSplinteredSouthin21stCenturyPresidential
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“PresidentialRepublicanismandDemocraticDarn
NearEverythingElse”—M.V.Hood,III(Universityof
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“HowMuchDoesDistancemattertoVoters?
ChallengesEarlyVotingSiteLocationsandtheImpact
onVotersinNorthCarolina’s2018GeneralElection”
—J.MichaelBitzer(CatawbaCollege)andTyler
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Schedule of Events
THURSDAY, 5 March 2020
8:00 AM (ongoing)
Registration, 2nd floor lobby,
Mark Clark Hall (MCH)
8:30 AM – 9:45 AM PANEL SESSION I
Panel A: Race, Gender, and Society in the South (228 MCH)
Panel B: Realignment in Southern States (230 MCH)
Panel C: The South in Congress (228 MCH)
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“The Shadow of Brown v. Board: An Unequal South” — Esteban Cepero and Lexi Potter (both Florida Southern College)
“The Impact of the Method of Judicial Selection on Racial Disparities in Conviction Rates — Lauren Lasitter and Alexandra Zimmer (both Florida Southern College)
“A Study of Women’s Roles in Politics Seen Through the History of the Civil Rights Movement” — Ethan Kellner (Florida Southern College)
“The Rise of Republicanism in the South” — Brock Townsend (Florida Southern College)
Discussants: Kristina M. LaPlant (University of Wisconsin-La Crosse) and Keith E. Lee (Georgia College)
Panel Session II: 10:00-11:30 A.M.
Panel B: Realigniment in Southern States (230 MCH)
“Racial Attitudes and Partisan Change in the Appalachians and Upper South” — Brian Abour (John Jay College, CUNY)
“Inequality, Asymmetric Polarization, and the South” — Andrew J. Taylor (North Carolina State University)
“The Changing Senior Population in Florida: The Real Base of the Trump Coalition” — Matthew Corrigan, Michael Pomante, and Austin Trantham (all Jacksonville State University)
Discussants: Irwin L. Morris (North Carolina State University and Joseph A. Aistrup (Auburn University)
Panel C: The South in Congress (228 MCH)
“More than the Grim Reaper: A Perspective on Mitch McConnell’s Role in the Nullification of the Obama Presidency” — Stephanie L. Williams (University of South Florida)
“The Senate, the South, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965” — Gabriella Hesse (Florida Southern College)
“The Congressional Campaigns of Bill Nelson of Florida” — Philip A. Grant, Jr. (Pace University)
“Outlier or Harbinger? Is Virginia’s New Democratic General Assembly A Sign of Things to Come in the South or Proof That Virginia Is Not a Southern State?” — John J. McGlennon (College of William and Mary)
Discussants: Jordan M. Ragusa (College of Charleston) and Christopher Cooper (Western Carolina University)
Panel Session III: 1:15-2:45 P.M.
Panel D: State Elections (230 MCH)
“Regional Effects on Support for Election Reforms” — Aubrey Kelley, Scott Ladley, Joel F. Turner, and Jeffrey Kash (all Western Kentucky University)
“Not at My Poll: Explaining South/Non-South Differences in Voting Access” — Martin Mayer (University of North Carolina at Pembroke), John C. Morris, Joseph A. Aistrup, Kathleen Hale, and Jan Hunnicut (all Auburn University)
“Progressive Groups and the Recruitment of First-time Female Candidates in Georgia” — Elizabeth Ellen Gordon (Kennesaw State University)
Discussants: Brian Arbour (John Jay College, CUNY) and Todd G. Shields (University of Arkansas)
Panel E: Contemporary Issues in Southern Politics (228 MCH)
“Fair Fight: Near Misses in the Race for the Governorship of Florida and Georgia, 2018” — Leah Hutton Blumenfeld (Barry University)
“Explaining Gubernatorial Success in Florida, 1990-2018” — Robert Crew and Alexandra Cockerham (both Florida State University)
“Evaluating Representation in the South: the Cases of Georgia and Kentucky” — Mary Adams (Western Kentucky University)
“Privacy Rights and Southern Constitutions” — William Gillespie (Kennesaw State University)
Thursday, Panel Session III, continued: 1:15-2:45 P.M.
Discussants: H. Gibbs Knotts (College of Charleston) and Matthew Gunning (Georgia Gwinnett College)
Panel Session IV: 3:00-4:30 P.M.
Panel F: Southern Voting Behavior (230 MCH)
“A Change Is Gonna Come: The Impact of the Voter Education Project” — LaRaven A. Temoney (University of Florida)
“Party and Gender in Competition for Solicitor’s Office in the Modern Two-Party Era in South Carolina, 1966 to 2018” — Dan G. Ruff (Midlands Technical College)
“Public Funding for Judicial Elections: Does it Make a Difference, Especially for Diverse Candidates? A Case Study in North Carolina” — Tara S. Myers (Kennesaw State University)
“The Failure of Southern Labor Organizing During the 1930s and 1940s and Its Implications for Contemporary Politics — Michael Goldfield (Wayne State University) and Cody R. Melcher (CUNY)
Discussants: R. Bruce Anderson (Florida Southern College) and Donald L. Fowler (University of South Carolina)
Panel G: Environmental and Criminal Issues in the South (228 MCH)
“Environmental Consciousness in the States: A Southward View” — Kaitlynn Swanbeck and Catherine Stogner, (both Florida Southern College)
“Social Complacency: An Explanation of Southern Strictness in Social Laws” — Kevin Medina (Florida Southern College)
“Outlier or Harbinger? Is Virginia’s New Voter Education Project” — LaRaven A. Temoney (University of Florida)
“Spend My Dollar, Parked in a Holler: Human Capital in the South” — Morgan McDermott and Brayden Lacefield (both Florida Southern College)
Discussants: James T. LaPlant (Valdosta State University) and Scott Segrest (The Citadel)