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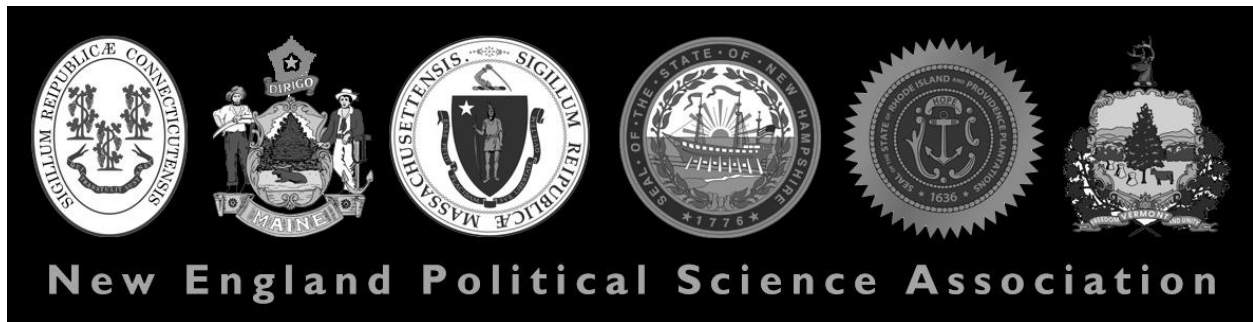


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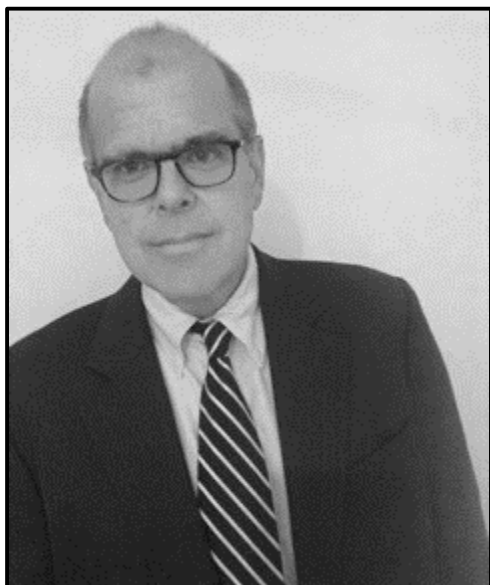
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AMERICAN POLITICS: David Hopkins, Boston College  
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## PROGRAM SPEAKERS



### CHRISTOPHER CALDWELL

#### Europe's Migrant Problem and Ours

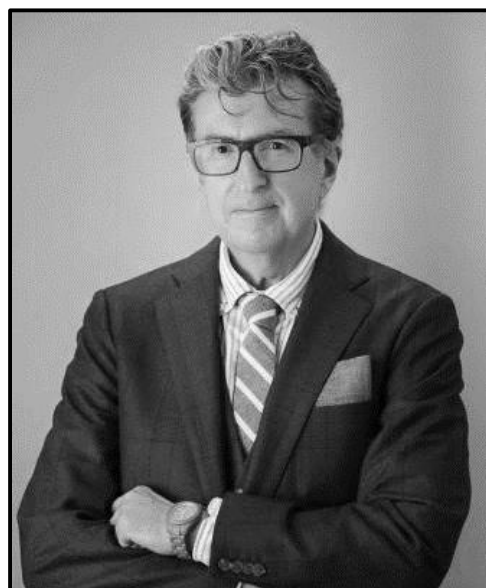
Christopher Caldwell is a senior editor at the *Weekly Standard* and the author of *Reflections on the Revolution in Europe* (Doubleday/Penguin), a work that has been translated into several European languages. His essays, columns and reviews appear in the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Financial Times*, the *Claremont Review of Books*, the *New York Times Book Review* and other publications. He has written extensively on immigration, European politics, and contemporary intellectual life. A graduate of Harvard University, he is presently at work on a book about post-1960s America.

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### BRIAN C. ANDERSON

#### The Rebirth of the American City — and the Next Urban Crisis

Brian C. Anderson is the editor of *City Journal*, the cultural and political quarterly published by the Manhattan Institute, where he writes on social and political trends. His work has appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *New York Post*, the *Dallas News*, *Commentary*, *National Review*, *First Things*, *The Weekly Standard*, *Policy Review*, *The Wilson Quarterly*, *The American Spectator*, and other publications. He is author of *Against the Obamanet* (2015), *Democratic Capitalism and Its Discontents* (2007), *South Park Conservatives* (2005), *Raymond Aron: The Recovery of the Political* (2005), and co-author of *A Manifesto for Media Freedom* (2008). He is also the editor of *The Beholden State* (2013). Anderson holds a Ph.D. in political philosophy from the University of Ottawa and an M.A. and a B.A. from Boston College.



## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

### THURSDAY, APRIL 21

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REGISTRATION	5:00 PM to 8:00 PM	convention desk
WELCOME RECEPTION	5:00 PM to 6:30 PM	Touro Synagogue 85 Touro Street

### FRIDAY, APRIL 24

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REGISTRATION	7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	convention desk
BOOK EXHIBITS	7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	East Foyer
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	7:30 AM to 8:30 AM	East Foyer
SESSION ONE PANELS	8:30 AM to 10:00 AM	various
MORNING BREAK	10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	East Foyer
SESSION TWO PANELS	10:15 AM to 11:45 AM	various
LUNCHEON	12:00 PM to 1:45 PM	Atrium
SESSION THREE PANELS	2:00 PM to 3:30 PM	various
AFTERNOON BREAK	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM	East Foyer
SESSION FOUR PANELS	3:45 PM to 5:15 PM	various
COCKTAIL RECEPTION	5:15 PM to 7:00 PM	Atrium
BOARD MEETING	7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	boardroom

### SATURDAY, APRIL 25

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REGISTRATION	7:30 AM to 3:45 PM	convention desk
BOOK EXHIBITS	7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	East Foyer
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	7:30 AM to 8:30 AM	East Foyer
SESSION FIVE PANELS	8:30 AM to 10:00 AM	various
MORNING BREAK	10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	East Foyer
SESSION SIX PANELS	10:15 AM to 11:45 AM	various
LUNCHEON	12:00 PM to 1:45 PM	Atrium
SESSION SEVEN PANELS	2:00 PM to 3:30 PM	various
AFTERNOON BREAK	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM	East Foyer
SESSION EIGHT PANELS	3:45 PM to 5:15 PM	various

# THE 2016 ANNUAL MEETING

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST  
EAST FOYER, 7:30-8:30**

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**1-A: Assessing American Politics Via Theory, Practice, and Literature**

**COLUMBIA:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**J.J. Mulhern, University of Pennsylvania**

*High Partisanship, Low Partisanship, and the Common Good*

**Joshua Sandman, University of New Haven (VIA SKYPE)**

*If 'It's Even Worse Than It Looks' What, If Anything, Can a President Do to Make It Better?*

**William Mayer, Northeastern University**

*The Last Hurrah and the Problems of a Political Roman a Clef*

**Paul Herrnson, University of Connecticut**

**Christian Caron, University of Connecticut**

*The Transparency of Single-Candidate Super PACS*

**PANEL CHAIR: Gary Donato, Bentley University**

**DISCUSSANT: Garrison Nelson, University of Vermont**

**1-B: American Grand Strategy: War, Justice, and Peace in American Political Thought**

**COURAGEOUS:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**Paul Carrese, U.S. Air Force Academy**

*American Political Thought Steering American Grand Strategy, Founding to Future*

**James Morone, Brown University**

*Hell No! The Turn Against Imperialism, War, and the Military in American Thought*

**Mackubin Owens, Institute of World Politics**

*Lincoln and the Prudential Conduct of the War of the Rebellion*

**Elizabeth Spalding, Claremont McKenna College**

*Harry Truman's Cold War Strategy: American Prudence Harnessing George Marshall and Dean Acheson*

**PANEL CHAIR: Stephen Knott, Naval War College**

**DISCUSSANT: Stephen Knott, Naval War College**

**DISCUSSANT: Bryan-Paul Frost, University of Louisiana - Lafayette**

**1-C: Social Media Protest and Transnational Networks**

**ENTERPRISE:** *sponsored by the Comparative Politics section*

**Laura Dicker, University of Bridgeport**

*Media Contribution to Nation-building and National Development in Israel After 1948*

**Cody Diehl, Northeastern University**

*Protest Politics in the EU; Changing Party Dynamics*

**Steve Hess, University of Bridgeport**

*The Diffusion of Contention in Contemporary China: An Investigation of the 2014-2015 Wave of Teacher Strikes*

**Nicholas Toloudis, The College of New Jersey**

*Contentious Politics in the New Europe, 2005-2012*

**Lin Xing, University of Nevada, Reno**

*Predicament of Alternative Public Domain and Collective Action: A Study On China's Exclusive Gay Social Media*

**PANEL CHAIR: Kerry Ratigan, Amherst College**

**DISCUSSANT: Kerry Ratigan, Amherst College**

**1-D: Evolving or Predatory? The Role of Law**

**BRISTOL:** *sponsored by the Public Law section*

**Meghan Peterson, University of Connecticut**

*Sinner to Psychopath to Cyber Sex Predator: Sex Crime and Law Enforcement in the United States*

**Eric Boehme, Fitchburg State University**

*The Racialized Spaces of Mass Incarceration: How Imprisonment Reaches into the Capillaries of Black Life*

**Naomi Scheinerman, Yale University**

*From Democracy to Epistocracy: The Case of Fetal Pain*

**Edward Kammerer, Northeastern University**

*Judicial Narratives & Same-Sex Marriage: Analysis of the Arguments in Goodridge v. Department of Public Health*

**PANEL CHAIR: Brandon Metroka, Syracuse University**

**DISCUSSANT: Brandon Metroka, Syracuse University**

**1-E: Human Rights and Non-Human Nature**

**INTREPID:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Devin Goure, Yale University**

*Do Animals Speak?: Stanley Cavell and the Rights of Non-Human Animals*

**Umur Basdas, Yale University**

*Fichte and the Recognition of Nature*

**Ben Nolan, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*The Dignity of Domestication*

**Alyssa Battistoni, Yale University**

*The Good Life in a Living World: Toward a More-than-Human Theory of the Good*

**PANEL CHAIR:** Lucas Swaine, Dartmouth College

**DISCUSSANT:** Lucas Swaine, Dartmouth College

**1-F: Marriage, Love, and Consent in Western Political Theory and Practice**

**JAMESTOWN:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Brandon Dabling, Brigham Young University**

*The Moral and Political Meaning of Marital Consent: A Debate Between Robert Dale Owen and Horace Greeley*

**Rachel Alexander, Baylor University**

*Lessons in Love in Xenophon's Cyropaedia*

**Jiyoorn Bernhoft, Boston College**

*Montesquieu on the Flexibility of Man: Equality Between the Sexes in The Spirit of the Laws*

**PANEL CHAIR:** Ralph Hancock, Brigham Young University

**DISCUSSANT:** Ralph Hancock, Brigham Young University

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**2-A: Canada's Shifting Politics**

**COLUMBIA:** *sponsored by the Canadian Politics section*

**Paul Petterson, Central Connecticut State University**

*Canadian Multiparty Democracy: Does Regulation Make It Possible?*

**David Rovinsky, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

*Ascendancy Reconsidered? The 2015 Canadian Election and the Laurentian Resurgency*

**Sean Harris, Temple University**

*A Viable Plan for Success? Examining the Parti Québécois' Strategy for Victory in a Future Independence Referendum*

**PANEL CHAIR: Oleg Kodolov, University of Toronto**

**DISCUSSANT: Oleg Kodolov, University of Toronto**

**DISCUSSANT: George Sulzner, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

**2-B: Citizen Participation**

**INTREPID:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**Nicholas Israel, Georgetown University**

*State Voter ID Laws and their impact on Voter Participation*

**Keith Bentele, University of Massachusetts - Boston**

**Erin O'Brien, University of Massachusetts - Boston**

*Political Learning and Restrictive Voter Access Legislation*

**Gauri Wagle, Brown University**

*The Bounds of Belonging: Asian Immigration and Voter Turnout in the U.S.*

**Heidi Berggren, University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth**

*Sustainability and Political Participation in U.S. Cohousing Communities*

**PANEL CHAIR: Richard Clark, Castleton University**

**DISCUSSANT: Richard Clark, Castleton University**

**2-C: UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH: Corruption, Organized Crime and State Consolidation**

**MIDDLETOWN:** *sponsored by the Comparative Politics section*

**Ian Harmon, Bryant University**

*A Corrupt Bargain: Shell and Nigeria*

**Grigory Khakimov, Tufts University**

*Vladimir Putin's Manufacture of Civil Society: Between Hegemony and Domination*

**Jennifer Ostjoski, Framingham State University**

*The Rise of Euroscepticism and its toll on the future of the European Union*

**Hunter Stowes, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

**Caroline Miller, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

**Adam Welzant, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

*Combating Transnational Organized Crime: Mexico, China, Methamphetamine, and the Coast Guard's Western Hemisphere Strategy*

**PANEL CHAIR: Kevin Costa, Radio France International**

**DISCUSSANT: Kevin Costa, Radio France International**

**2-D: Rethinking Foreign Policy: Strategy, Ideology, and Institutions**

**JAMESTOWN:** *sponsored by the International Relations section*

**Chris Dolan, Lebanon Valley College**

*Shifting Dynamics: From Preponderance to Offshore Balancing in U.S. Foreign Policy Toward the Middle East*

**Alek Chance, Institute for China-America Studies**

*Ideological Mistrust in the US-China Relationship: Implications for Order*

**Kevin Generous, University of Connecticut**

*Congress, Weapons Acquisition and Arms Control Negotiations: Exploring the 'Functional Veto' over the Executive's Federative Decision-Making*

**Edward Hunt, College of William and Mary**

*The Imperial Grand Strategy of Richard Haass*

**PANEL CHAIR: Alek Chance, Institute for China-America Studies**

**DISCUSSANT: Chris Dolan, Lebanon Valley College**

**2-E: The Politics of Rights**

**ENTERPRISE:** *sponsored by the Public Law section*

**Lynda Dodd, City University of New York**

*The Future of Private Enforcement of Civil Rights*

**Travis Pantin, Yale University**

*A Theory of Insurance as Political Form*

**Helen Knowles, SUNY - Oswego**

**Addison Bennett, Skidmore College**

*First Among Five Equals: Justice Kennedy's Senior Associate Justice Opinion-Assignment Power 2010-2016*

**Kevin McGravey, Brown University**

*The Right to Petition and the Extent of a Citizen's Right to Direct Participation*

**PANEL CHAIR: James Morone, Brown University**

**DISCUSSANT: James Morone, Brown University**

**2-F: Institutions In Time**

**COURAGEOUS:** *sponsored by the Politics and History section*

**Kevin McMahon, Trinity College**

*The Political Rise of American Catholics: From Ethnic Enclave to National Power*

**Herschel Nachlis, Dartmouth College**

*Institutions as neither strong nor weak: Sub-institutional variation across the National Institutes of Health*

**Brandon Welch, Brown University**

*First at Sea: The Revenue-Marine and the Early American Bureaucracy*

**PANEL CHAIR: Jonathan Wharton, Southern Connecticut State University**

**DISCUSSANT: Jonathan Wharton, Southern Connecticut State University**

**2-G: Xenophon and Machiavelli**

**NEWPORT:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Waller Newell, Carleton University**

*Sundering the City of Man and the City of God: Machiavelli's Negative Debt to Christianity*

**Lorraine Pangle, University of Texas - Austin**

*Cyrus and the Gods: Reflections on Xenophon's Education of Cyrus*

**Catherine Zuckert, University of Notre Dame**

*Machiavelli the Socratic?*

**Matthew Post, University of Dallas**

*Machiavelli's Prudence*

**Ross Hunt, University of Dallas**

*The Unsocratic Teaching in Xenophon's Cyropaedia*

**PANEL CHAIR: Robert Bartlett, Boston College**

**DISCUSSANT: Amy Nendza, Boston College**

**2-H: Ethics and Politics in Twentieth Century Political Thought**

**PORTSMOUTH:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Flagg Taylor, Skidmore College**

*Czech Dissent and the Nature of Liberty*

**Alexander Duff, College of the Holy Cross**

*Heidegger's Apolitical Politics*

**Aaron Greenberg, Yale University**

*Reinhold Niebuhr on Love*

**Brian-Paul Frost, University of Louisiana - Lafayette**

*The Character and Task of Political Philosophy Before and After the End of History*

**PANEL CHAIR: Chrysoula Gitsoulis, CUNY**

**DISCUSSANT: Germaine Paulo Walsh, Texas Lutheran University,**

**2-I: Art and Politics**

**BRISTOL:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**John Brigham, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*David: From Revolution to Empire*

**Sidney Babcock, The Morgan Library**

*The Iconography of Power: Art and Propaganda in Mesopotamia during the 3rd Millennium BC*

**Susan Ball, Bruce Museum**

*Ogilby's Aesop and the English Civil War*

**John Haworth, Smithsonian Museum of the American Indian in New York**

*Native Museums: Forums for Dialogue and Participatory Collaboration*

**Bruce Payne, Baruch College (CUNY)**

*Braque and Politics: Integrity and Influence*

**PANEL CHAIR: John Brigham, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

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ATRIUM, 12:00-1:45  
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**FEATURED SPEAKER  
Christopher Caldwell  
senior editor, *The Weekly Standard*  
"Europe's Migrant Problem and Ours"**

**AWARDING OF THE BEST PAPER PRIZES FOR THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING (New Haven, CT)**

**JOHN C. DONOVAN PRIZE FOR BEST PAPER WRITTEN BY A FACULTY MEMBER**  
**Douglas Harris (Loyola University - MD) and Matthew Green (Catholic University of America)**  
*"Intra-Party Competition for Leadership Posts in the House of Representatives"*

**ROBERT C. WOOD PRIZE FOR BEST PAPER WRITTEN BY A GRADUATE STUDENT**  
**Herschel Nachlis (Franklin & Marshall College / Dartmouth College)**  
*"Agencies and Disease Development: Defining Mental Illness and the Problem of Policy Feedback"*



**3-A: MassPoliticsProfs Roundtable**

**New England Elections, the Challenges of Democracy, and Electioneering Solutions**

**BRISTOL:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**Maurice Cunningham, University of Massachusetts - Boston**

**Jerold Duquette, Central Connecticut State University**

**Peter Ubertaccio, Stonehill College**

**Ben Tafoya, Walden University**

**PANEL CHAIR: Erin O'Brien, University of Massachusetts - Boston**

**3-B: How Americans Think About Politics**

**COLUMBIA:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**Mark Brewer, University of Maine (VIA SKYPE)**

*Support for Populism in American Politics*

**Christopher Simon, University of Utah**

**Nicholas Lovrich, Washington State University**

**Baodong Liu, University of Utah**

**Yehua Dennis Wei, University of Utah**

*Citizen Support for Military Expenditure Post 9/11 (2000-2014): Exploring the Role of Place of Birth and Location of Upbringing*

**Gautam Nair, Yale University**

*Misperceptions of Relative Income and Preferences for International Redistribution in the United States*

**Shannon Jenkins, University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth**

**David Borges, University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth**

**Doug Roscoe, University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth**

*Voter Decision-Making in Low Information Elections*

**PANEL CHAIR: Matthew MacWilliams, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

**DISCUSSANT: Matthew MacWilliams, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

**3-C: UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH: Parties and Elections**

**ENTERPRISE:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**Vanessa Robertson, Castleton University**

*No One Likes a Blowout: The Impact of Competitive Elections on Voter Turnout*

**Gilliam Hill, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

**Frederick Scott, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

*Flying the Primary Colors: When Veterans Choose to Run*

**Kelsi Field, Simmons College**

*Felon Disenfranchisement and the Efficacy of Democracy in the United States: A Tool of Racial Silencing*

**Joseph Phillips, SUNY - Purchase**

*Workers of the World, Divide! - Organizational Framework and Leftist Cohesion*

**PANEL CHAIR: John Berg, Suffolk University**

**DISCUSSANT: John Berg, Suffolk University**

**3-D: Lincoln, Lovecraft, Ellery**

**JAMESTOWN:** *sponsored by the Politics and History section*

**John Parrillo, Roger Williams University**

*William Ellery, Newport signer of the Declaration of Independence and signer of the Articles of Confederation*

**Brian Wolfel, Syracuse University**

*H.P. Lovecraft and the Clash (and Reconciliation) of Liberalism and Romanticism*

**Edward Yager, Western Kentucky University**

*The Mind of Abraham Lincoln: Reading That Shaped a President's Worldview and What That Means for America*

**PANEL CHAIR: Allison Rank, SUNY - Oswego**

**DISCUSSANT: Allison Rank, SUNY - Oswego**

**3-E: Citizens and Indigenous Movements to Protect the Environment**

**INTREPID:** *sponsored by the Comparative Politics section*

**Usmaan Farooqui, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*The Ideological Land: Mobilizing and Demobilizing Landless Movements in Bolivia and Brazil*

**Mary MacKie, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*Challenging Multinational Energy Development: The Campaign against Shell in Ireland*

**Eric Sippert, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*Indigenous Left(s) and Left Out Indigenous: Indigenous Movements and the Left in Ecuador and Guatemala*

**Nicole Freiner, Bryant University**

*Japan's Rice Farmer's and the Trans-Pacific Partnership*

**PANEL CHAIR: Nicole Freiner, Bryant University**

**DISCUSSANT: David Rovinsky, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

**3-F: ROUNDTABLE: Justice Antonin Scalia**

**COURAGEOUS:** *sponsored by the Public Law section*

**Helen Knowles, SUNY - Oswego**

**Steven Lichtman, Shippensburg University**

**Kevin McMahon, Trinity College**

**Richard Peltz-Steele, University of Massachusetts Law School**

**PANEL CHAIR: Aaron R.S. Lorenz, Ramapo College**

**3-G: Strauss, Arendt, and Heidegger**

**MIDDLETOWN:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Jeremy Mhire, Louisiana Tech University**

*Freedom and Necessity: The Role of the Principle of Sufficient Reason in Leo Strauss's Thought*

**Lucas Entel, Yale University**

*Arendt's Cave*

**Peter Hansen, MIT**

*Strauss' Reason and Revelation*

**Samuel Goldman, George Washington University**

*Roman Virtue, Jewish Hope: Leo Strauss on Zionism and Roman Politics*

**PANEL CHAIR:** Sara Henary, Missouri State University

**DISCUSSANT:** Sara Henary, Missouri State University

**3-H: Author Meets Critics: Pierre Manent's Seeing Things Politically**

**NEWPORT:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Daniel J. Mahoney, Assumption College**

**Gladden Pappin, University of Notre Dame**

**Thomas Hibbs, Baylor University**

**Pierre Manent, Ecole Des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales**

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**4-A: Political Ideology**

**INTREPID:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**Andrew Pieper, Kennesaw State University**

*A Serious Man: George Will and the Evolution of Conservative Punditry*

**Abram Trosky, U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

*Repressive Tolerance?: Political Correctness, Contested Conventions, Media and The Establishment, revisited*

**Luke Perry, Utica College**

*How Conservative Religious Groups Respond to Marriage Equality*

**Matthew MacWilliams, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*America's Authoritarian Spring: Authoritarians Rise to Donald Trump's Siren Call*

**PANEL CHAIR: Garrison Nelson, University of Vermont**

**DISCUSSANT: Garrison Nelson, University of Vermont**

**4-B: UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH: Media and Rhetoric**

**COLUMBIA:** *sponsored by the American Politics section*

**Jessica James, Providence College**

*Fear: Cultivation Theory, Terrorism and the Post-9/11 Media Environment*

**Xavier Manley, Virginia Commonwealth University**

*Hyperbolic Conservative Rhetoric Within Electoral Politics*

**Jay Whittemore, Keene State College**

*Dog Whistle Messages in Country Music?*

**PANEL CHAIR: Brandon Metroka, Syracuse University**

**DISCUSSANT: Brandon Metroka, Syracuse University**



**4-C: Conceptualizing and Measuring Comparative Concepts**

**BRISTOL:** *sponsored by the Comparative Politics section*

**Mara Revkin, Yale University**

*Explaining Variation in Insurgent Tax Policies: Evidence from the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria*

**Sondes Ben Chagra, University of Bridgeport**

**Mohammed Al-Azdee, University of Bridgeport**

*Tunisia: The Revolution, Five Years Later*

**Jennapher Lunde Seefeldt, Northeastern University**

*Measures of Democracy: Using Indices to Test for Democracy and Hybridity in Latin America*

**Martina Santia, University of Bridgeport**

*Reconceptualizing the Definition of the Small Island Developing State in the era of Sustainable Development*

**PANEL CHAIR: Kristin Vekasi, University of Maine**

**DISCUSSANT: Kristin Vekasi, University of Maine**

**4-D: What Role Institutions: Science, Sport, and Regulation**

**ENTERPRISE:** *sponsored by the International Relations section*

**Laura Janik, Western New England University**

**Hailey Greenhalgh, Western New England University**

**Alisa Bekk, Western New England University**

**Ana Luiza Fonseca, Western New England University**

*Backwards Trends in Democratization: A Health Problem?*

**Joseph Scanlon, Monroe Community College**

*Ready, Set, Go! The Theoretical Contours of Sporting Mega-Events*

**Casey Stevens, Clark University**

*Legitimacy over the long haul: The construction of international scientific authority from Captain Cook's landing in Tahiti to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change*

**Gary Winslett, Boston College**

*Automobiles and Regulatory Regionalism in North America and Europe*

**PANEL CHAIR: Joseph Scanlon, Monroe Community College**

**DISCUSSANT: Gary Winslett, Boston College**

**4-E: Policy Diffusion and Implementation: Comparing States**

**COURAGEOUS:** *sponsored by the Public Policy section*

**James Buthman, Hartwick College**

*Transforming Northeastern Energy Policy: Supporting the Renewable Energy Revolution*

**Kelly Smith, Brown University**

*Policy Implementation at the State Level: The Cases of Universal Pre-k and Common Core*

**Afi Ladzekpo, University of Bridgeport**

*State Policy and Human Capital Mobility in Developing Economies: How Destination States Are Adapting Policies to Accommodate Movement of Human Capital in South to South Migration*

**June Sager Speakman, Roger Williams University**

**Jessica Soares, Roger Williams University**

**Rachel Wells, Roger Williams University**

*State Aid to Fiscally Stressed Communities: Four Cases*

**Nicholas Tampio, Fordham University**

*How Can the State Support, but Not Tyrannize, the Educational System? Humboldtian Reflections*

**PANEL CHAIR: Erin O'Brien, University of Massachusetts - Boston**

**DISCUSSANT: Erin O'Brien, University of Massachusetts - Boston**

**DISCUSSANT: Ben Tafoya, Walden University**

**4-F: Liberalism, Religion, and Individuality**

**JAMESTOWN:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Jacob Wolf, Boston College**

*The Role of John Stuart Mill's Philosophy of History in his Political Thought*

**Amy Gais, Yale University**

*Thomas Hobbes on Sovereignty, Liberty of Conscience, and 'Publique Worship'*

**Lucas Swaine, Dartmouth College**

*Legal Exemptions for Religious Feeling*

**PANEL CHAIR: Theresa Marchant-Shapiro, Southern Connecticut State University**

**DISCUSSANT: Theresa Marchant-Shapiro, Southern Connecticut State University**

**4-G: Race, Recognition, and Dignity**

**MIDDLETOWN:** *sponsored by the Political Theory section*

**Rebecca Traber, Yale University**

*Our Impossible National Conversation about Race: Translation, Discourse, and the Problem of Recognition*

**Sidhant Issar, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*Decolonizing Liberal Metaphysics*

**Adam Smith, Brandeis University**

*Drapetomania, Medicalization, and Recognition*

**PANEL CHAIR:** Navid Hassanzadeh, George Washington University

**DISCUSSANT:** Navid Hassanzadeh, George Washington University

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*Building a Common World: Arendt, Marx & Heidegger on Things, Work, and World*

**Mie Inouye, Yale University**

*The Human Condition and the Politics of Science*

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*An Unfinished Theory of Judgment, a Political Theory of Unfinishedness*

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*Realist or Liberal? Canadian Foreign Policy in the 1980s*

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*Canadian Foreign Policy in the Post-Stephen Harper Era: New Tone or New Trajectory*

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*Presidential Invitation: New Deal Presidents and Their Overtures to African-Americans*

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*Effects of 1960's Institutional Changes on Present-Day State-Citizen Interactions In America*

**William Gordon, University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley**

*Minor Parties, Nonpartisan Ballots, and District Magnitude*

**Richard Levy, Salem State University**

*Teaching the Sixties and Its Complicated Political Legacies*

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*A State with Suffrage Yet Little Representation: Female Representation in the United States Public Office vs. the Developed World*

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*Las Presidentas: Gender Quota Laws and Female Representation in Latin American Presidencies, Cabinets, and Legislatures*

**Carley Cole, Kennesaw State University**

*Does Attitude Matter? The Effects of National Attitudes toward Women on Women's Economic Rights*

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*Rousseau's Liberalism: from Bourgeois to Bohemian*

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*Tocqueville on Doubt and the Demands of Democratic Citizenship*

**Sara Henary, Missouri State University**

*Anthony Trollope: Novelist of the Democratic Revolution*

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*The effects of affirmative action policies on executive hiring*

**Darin Detwiler, Northeastern University**

*How states' policies can support an integrated food safety system within a federalist structure.*

**Michelle Lessly, Northeastern University**

*Understanding the implications of incorporating digital technology in an analogue policy structure: Can MOOCs comply with FERPA?*

**Michelle Puhlick, Northeastern University**

*Innovative Partnerships for College and Career Readiness: Achieving the New Education Policy Goals through High School Workplace Learning Experiences*

**Evadne Hagigal, Northeastern University**

*A closer look at the federal minimum wage*

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*The Pope comes to Congress: A Policy Analysis of his 2015 address to Congress*

**Christine Gustafson, Saint Anselm College**

*Reversing the Evangelical Wave? Early Indications from Pope Francis' World Youth Day visit to Rio*

**Paul Manuel, American University**

*The Pope's Transformative Leadership Style: Will It Influence Policy Formation in the Church, and in the Nations*

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*Free Speech and Its Limits*

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*PC Connections: How the Federal Office for Civil Rights Creates Allies Inside Universities*

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*Buying Judges: Special Interest Contributions at the State Supreme Court Level*

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*The Power of a Picture: The relationship between support for the Supreme Court and the symbols of judicial legitimacy*

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*The Changing Anatomy of Political Corruption in Massachusetts*

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*Monopoly Politics: The Impact of Municipal Intervention Through the Lens of Michigan*

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*The Link Between Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing and Violence in the Gulf of Guinea*

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*Economic Sanctions and Human Rights: Are We Off Target?*

**Kaitlyn McKenna, Roger Williams University**

*Honor Killings in Pakistan: Gender, Multiculturalism, and Human Rights*

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*Civic Skills, Social Trust, and Empowerment: Community Action in the 21st Century*

**Rebecca Bruckenstein, University of Bridgeport**

*Drug Cartels and Corruption: How to Stem Violence and Corruption in Mexico*

**Ital Sneh, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY**

*Pedagogy in the Policing Service of Community: Diversity Facilitating Dignity and Equality*

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**7-E: Corruption and the Role of Elite Actors in State Development**

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**Joseph Coelho, Framingham State University**

*International State-building and State Capture in Kosovo and Bosnia*

**Elroy Douglas, University of Bridgeport**

*The Epidemic of Corruption has been identified in South Africa, How Do We Solve It? How Could South Africa Attain Solutions to Bribery and Grand Corruption?*

**Afi Ladzekpo, University of Bridgeport**

*Viability of Opposition to End Systemic Corruption and Hegemony in the Political Sphere of Zimbabwe Come the 2018 Presidential Election*

**Caitlin Colon, University of Bridgeport**

*When Petty Corruption Becomes Endemic: Corruption in Sierra Leone Schools*

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*is There European Wisdom?*

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*The Oracle: Montesquieu and the American Constitution*

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*Montesquieu's Moderate Theory of International Relations*

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*Montesquieu's Understanding of the Naturalness of the Commercial Republic*

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*Motivation, Religion, and Deliberation in Hobbes*

**Matthew Shafer, Yale University**

*Discontinuous counterpublics: toward a queer eschatology*

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*On Love and Silence: Negation, Affirmation, and the Absence of Utopia*

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*The Vice Presidency and Foreign Policy: A Balance of Institutional Evolution and Personal Experience*

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*Exporting Feminisms: First Ladies, Democratic Ideals, and U.S. Foreign Policy (1993-2014)*

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*The Representation of Millennial Preferences in Congress*

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*The Impact of Women in State Legislatures on Abortion Policy*

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*Is the Constitution a Success*

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*The God of the Armies of Israel: Zionism and American Civil Religion, 1947-1967*

**Allison Rank, SUNY - Oswego**

*Youth In America's Political Imagination*

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*Contentious Acquisitions: How Chinese Mining Firms Negotiate Institutions and Communities in Latin America*

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*Buy-Outs, Marginalization, and Motivation in Business-Activists Bargains Over Regulation and Trade*

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*Myanmar as a Potential Candidate for SAARC: Pave to Political and Economic Integration with Bangladesh*

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*Bondage: Sex Work, Capitalism, and Freedom*

**Meg Mott, Marlboro College**

*Powerlessness as a Political Strategy Under Neoliberalism*

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*On the Duty to Humanity to Think Well*

**Hari Ramesh, Yale University**

*Toward a Democratic Theory of Contemporary Development*

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*Friends in the State of Nature: John Locke and the Formation of Security Communities*

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**8-H: Equality and Inequality**

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*Social Equality's Complex Distributional Implications*

**Peter Lindsay, Georgia State University**

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**Usmaan Farooqui, University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

*Marx Vs. Marxism: On the Possibility of Unjust Capitalism in Marx*

**Isaac Kamola, Trinity College**

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*The Making of A Neoliberal Common Sense: A Content Analysis of News Coverage From the PATCO and NUM Strikes*

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**Theodore Johnson, Northeastern University**

*A Contested Black Electorate: The Political Implications of Heterogeneity in African-American Voting Behavior*

**Keenan Davis, Northeastern University**

*Intersection of money and meaning: Exploring the perception of the Oregon Revised Statute 60.750.770*

**Christine Hopkins-Spidell, Northeastern University**

*Legal Purgatorium: The plight of the intellectually disabled in the U.S. Penal System*

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