Finally Got the News*
Newsletter of the Race, Ethnicity, and Politics Section
American Political Science Association
Ray Block, Pennsylvania State University
Hannah Walker, Rutgers University
*Title is borrowed from the Newsreel film about militant Black autoworkers in Detroit during the 1960s.

Message from the co-presidents:
Marisa Abrajano and Lisa García Bedolla

Welcome to the Race, Ethnicity, and Politics organized section of the American Political Science Association!

We are a thriving and increasingly growing section. During these tumultuous and difficult times, our scholarship and research are more important than ever before, within the discipline, the academy and beyond.

In the words of former REP co-President Kerry Haynie, “Let us all renew our commitment to being both seen and heard; to being in the proverbial room, even if we have to break in to do so; to being in the conversation, even if we have to shout and interrupt; and to speaking and standing for the disenfranchised and dispossessed, even if it costs us status and fortune.”

As you register for APSA and renew your memberships, please remember to sign-up for the section. Your $20 fees include access to the Journal of Race and Ethnic Politics (JREP) and helps us pay for our reception and many section awards. The fees are waived for student members.

Our hardworking 2019 APSA meeting program co-chairs for the REP organized section, Pearl Ford Dowe and Rene Rocha have organized an excellent set of panels for this year’s annual meeting. Please attend as many of these sessions as possible in order to share in the research and discussion as well as to keep our panel attendance numbers robust. We owe Pearl and Rene a great debt of gratitude for this providing this important service to our section and our profession.

Our annual business meeting will be held on Friday, August 31, from 6:30-7:30pm, in Omni Shoreham, Embassy Room. We hope you will attend. Directly following the business meeting, please join us for some food and good cheer at our reception. The reception is being held at the Marriot Wardman Park, Salon 1, from 7:30 to 9:00 pm.

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As in years past, our reception is a jointly sponsored with our longtime friends, the APSA status committees on Asian Pacific Americans, Blacks, Latinos y Latinas, First Generation Higher Education Scholars, the APA Caucus and the Latino Caucus.

Some updates on our journal, the Journal of Race and Ethnic Politics (JREP), continues to thrive. Under the current editor-in-chief, Alexandra Filindra, and book review editor Heather Silber Mohamed, the journal is continuing to grow and develop. Good news: JREP is moving from 2 to 3 issues per year. This will allow the journal to meet the requirements to apply for an impact factor score. Special thanks to outgoing book editor Tony Affigne for all his hard work over the years.

There are several special issues being planned for the next 2-3 years. In 2020, JREP will host a special issue on race and criminal justice next year. They have a call out for a special issue on “Race and the U.S. Presidency” to be guest edited by Al Tillery and Rodney Hero. The issue will appear in 2021. They are also planning for a special issue on Native American politics to be guest edited by Rick Witmer, Laura Evans, and Kristen Carlson. The call for proposals will go out later this year and the issue will be part of the 2022 cycle.

Next year, the journal will also institute a best paper award for papers published in 2019, so stay tuned.

Please continue to consider submitting your research to JREP and tell others about it as well. Ask your librarian to get an institutional subscription to the journal if your campus does not already have one.

We wish you all the best for a productive and pleasant 2019-20 academic year!

**Message from the program co-chairs:**

*Pearl Dowe and Rene Rocha*

The Race, Ethnicity, and Politics section received a record-breaking number of submissions: 159, up from 136 in 2018. Full panel submissions held steady at 30. Our total panel allocation went up to 27, a result of both our strong past attendance but also APSA’s formatting changes and other efforts to increase the total number of panels at the annual meeting.

The increase in submissions meant that our acceptance rate remained low: 51%, down from 57% in 2018. The acceptance rate was in part affected by APSA’s strict limit of 4 papers-per-panel rule. We reached out to other sections to get as many proposals placed as possible, and where appropriate we utilized many of APSA’s new presentation formats.

All in all, we are impressed with both the diversity of research questions and approaches contained within the program. Panels run the gamut. We tried to help cross-fertilize our field by mixing papers that cover American Politics and Comparative Politics and by creating methodologically diverse panels. We also purposefully placed a mix of junior and senior scholars onto panels.

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We want to thank all our colleagues who agreed to, and even volunteered to serve as chairs and discussants for our panels. Without their willingness to give of their time, effort, and expertise the success of our section would not be possible.

Please be sure to attend as many REP panels as possible. It will be good for you as a scholar, but of course we are asking because it is also crucial for the number of panels allocated to the section at future APSA meetings. Attendance numbers at section panels in the previous year are used to calculate the number of panels for the next conference. So show up, ask question, make a new contact, and have a great conference!

2019-2020 Nominations

Co-Presidents Council (2 yr. terms, staggered)
CONTINUING (2019-2020)
Lisa Garcia Bedolla (lgarciab@berkeley.edu)

NOMINATION (2020-2022)
Chris Stout, Oregon State (Christopher.Stout@oregonstate.edu)

Secretary (2 yr. term)
CONTINUING (2018-2020)
Chris Stout, Oregon State

NOMINATION (FILL-IN) (2019-2021)
Nazita Lajevardi, MSU (nazita@msu.edu)

Treasurer (2 yr. term)
NOMINATION (2019-2021)
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NOMINATION (2019-2021)
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- Rene Rocha, University of Iowa (rene-rocha@uiowa.edu)

Best Book Committee (1 yr. term)
NOMINATIONS (2019-2020)
- Jamila Michener, Cornell (jm2362@cornell.edu)
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- Gabe Sanchez, University of New Mexico (sanchezg@unm.edu)

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NOMINATIONS (2019-2020)
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- Chris Zepeda Milan, UCLA (czm@ucla.edu)
- Jennifer Chudy, Wellesley (jchudy@wellesley.edu)

Best Paper Committee (1 yr. term)
NOMINATIONS (2019-2020)
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- Hakeem Jefferson, Stanford (hakeem@stanford.edu)
- Kassra Oskooii, Delaware (oskooiik@udel.edu)
2019-2020 REP Section Awards

Best Dissertation Award:

Angela Ocampo “The Politics of Inclusion: A Sense of Belonging and Latino Political Participation.”

Julian Wamble “Show us that you care: How Community Commitment Signals Affect Black Political Consideration.”

Committee: Valaria Sinclair-Chapman, LaFleur Stephens-Dougan and Ishmael White

Best Paper Award:

Diane Wong’s "When Women Hold Up the Sky: Shop Talk and Everyday Resistant to Gentrification in Manhattan's Chinatown"

Nazita Lajevardi, Kassra Oskooii, Hannah Walker and Aubrey Westfall. “Acculturation and Perceived Discrimination among Muslim Americans.”

Committee: Allison Anoll, Sergio Garcia-Rios and Danielle Lemi

Best Book Award:

Best Book in Race, Ethnicity, and Political Behavior


Best Book in Race, Ethnicity, and American Political Development


Best Book in Race, Ethnicity, and Urban Politics


Best Book in Race, Ethnicity, and Comparative Politics


Committee: Efren Perez, Spencer Piston and Shatema Threadcraft
Featured Developments in the Field

Next steps for the Collaborative Multiracial Post-Election Survey (CMPS): Expanding an Inclusive Model of Collaboration in REP

Matt Barreto, Lorrie Frasure-Yokley, Edward Vargas and Janelle Wong

The 2016 CMPS was the first cooperative, multi-racial, multi-ethnic, multi-lingual, post-election online survey in race, ethnicity and politics (REP) in the United States. To include the most comprehensive list of electoral, civic, and public policy-related survey content, all questions were generated through funding contributions from a national team of more than 85 researchers, from 55 colleges and universities across 17 academic disciplines. The majority of survey contributors were PhDs representing underrepresented minority groups in the U.S.

The 2016 CMPS queried more than 10,000 people in five languages. The survey includes large samples of Blacks, Latinos, Asian and Pacific Islander, and Whites which allow for the analysis of an individual racial group, or comparative analysis across groups. The main focus of the survey was on attitudes about the Presidential Election and candidates, debates over immigration, policing, health care policy, and racial equality, and experiences with racial discrimination across many facets of American life.

The 2016 CMPS was a groundbreaking success in terms of fostering new knowledge and enhancing the professional development of more than 85 contributors and their co-authors, the majority of whom were either first-generation college graduates, Black, Asian Americans, Latino, and/or Muslim PhDs. The 2016 CMPS was an pioneering experiment in creating a collaborative survey focused on survey content of interest to the REP researchers, based on a relatively low-cost buy-in. This model, designed to facilitate collaboration across university type, professional rank, and targeted to support historically underrepresented researchers, was unprecedented in the field.

Contributors have used the CMPS data in public research presentations and the data are now the basis for a steady stream of publications, including peer-reviewed articles and books.

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Topics include: how variations in skin tone matters for routine traffic stops (Smith and Smith 2018), the health-related effects of immigrant deportation policies (Nichols, LeBron and Pedraza 2018), the association between emotion and political participation among Asian Americans (Phoenix and Arora 2018), attitudes toward immigrants (Frasure-Yokley and Wilcox-Archuleta 2019; Carter and King-Meadows 2019), LGBTQ Latinx Political Participation (Moreau, Nuño-Pérez, and Sanchez 2019) and a host of scholars examining group identity and interests through the lens of linked fate (Politics, Groups and Identities Dialogues Section, August 2019).

With a national election fast approaching, 2020 CMPS will continue and expand the scope of access to high-quality national survey data with large and generalizable samples of groups in the United States. Using the cooperative, inclusive model of resource-sharing we developed in 2016, the 2020 CMPS will expand research and professional development opportunities for a larger number of junior and senior faculty. We will include researchers at varying stages of their careers from large research institutions, smaller liberal arts colleges, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) and Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs), through direct contribution to the content and analysis of the survey.

The 2020 CMPS will include an estimated total of 20,000 completed interviews among Asian, African American, Latino/a, and White respondents, with oversamples of Native American, Native Hawaiian, Black immigrant, Afro-Caribbean, Muslim and LGBTQ respondents. Survey data will be collected online in a respondent self-administered format following the 2020 Presidential Election. Please look out for our open call for contributors in fall 2019 and visit us at https://cmpsurvey.org.

A Message from the National Conference of Black Political Scientists

The National Conference of Black Political Scientists (NCOBPS) celebrated its 50th anniversary conference from March 13-16, 2019 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. At the conference Sekou Franklin, Associate Professor at Middle Tennessee State University, was inaugurated as President of NCOBPS. Tiffany Willoughby-Herard, Associate Professor at UC Irvine, was inaugurated as President-Elect.

**NCOBPS 2019 Award Recipients:** NCOBPS announced top award winners at its 50th annual gathering. The **Fannie Lou Hamer Outstanding Community Service Award** is given to a member of NCOBPS, who has made exemplary contributions to the growth and development of the African American community in the United States. Award Recipient: Boris Ricks, California State University, Northridge. The **Anna Julia Cooper Teacher of the Year Award** is given to a faculty members, who demonstrate excellence in the classroom as teachers, advisers, and academic mentors to students. Award Recipients: D’Andra Orey, Jackson State University; Michael Clemons, Old Dominion University. The **W.E.B. Du Bois Distinguished Book Award** recognizes books authored by members of NCOBPS, whose subjects in some way grapple with fundamental questions of political power, race, and other intersections of oppression. Award Recipients: Domingo Morel, Rutgers University-Newark, *Takeover: Race, Education, and American Democracy* (Oxford University Press, 2018); Danielle Pilar Clealand, Florida International University, *The Power of Race in Cuba: Racial Ideology and Black Consciousness during the Revolution* (Oxford University Press, 2017).

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The Alex Willingham Best Political Theory Paper Award is named in honor of one of our founding members and a brilliant political theorist. Award Recipient: Keisha Lindsay, University of Wisconsin at Madison. The Rodney Higgins Best Faculty Paper Award is named in honor of Dr. Rodney Higgins (1911-1964), the long-time chair of the Department of Political Science at Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Award Recipient: Maziki Thame, Clark Atlanta University. The Sammy Young, Jr. Best Student Paper Award is named in honor of Sammy Younge (1945-1966), who was an undergraduate student at Tuskegee University during the civil rights movement of the 1960s. Award Recipient: John Lionetti, North Carolina A & T University. The Jewel and James Prestage Mentorship Award recognizes outstanding political science/public administration professors who excel in mentoring students. Award Recipient: Gary Clark, Dillard University. The Dianne M. Pinderhughes Mentorship Legacy Award is a scholarship award for undergraduate students to attend the Annual Gathering of NCOBPS. Award Recipients: Leann Mclaren, University of Connecticut (Faculty Mentor, Evelyn M. Simien); Brianna Alexis-Marie Willis, Northwestern University (Faculty Mentor, Reuel Rogers).

Relaunch of the NCOBPS Journal: NCOBPS is also relaunching its journal in 2020 at the University of California Press. The National Review of Black Politics. The journal will be published quarterly in January, April, July and October of each year, in both print and electronic format. More information can be found at https://www.ucpress.edu/blog/43563/uc-press-announces-the-national-review-of-black-politics/. The new editors are Andra Gillespie, Associate Professor at Emory University, and Pearl K. Dowe, Professor Oxford College at Emory University.

Call for Proposals - 51st Annual Meeting of NCOBPS: The 51st Annual Meeting of NCOBPS will be from March 11-14, 2020, Hilton Garden Inn, Atlanta-Buckhead, 3342 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, 30326. The conference theme is Black Politics and the “War” on Blackness. The deadline for proposal submissions is November 1, 2019. Submissions can be made at https://ncobps.submittable.com/submit/140474/national-conference-of-black-political-scientists-2020-annual-conference-call-f. Conference co-chairs: Keesha Middlemass, Howard University, keesha.middlemass@Howard.edu; Domingo Morel, Rutgers University-Newark, domingo.morel@rutgers.edu

Message from the Status Committee on Latinas y Latinos in the Profession

The Status Committee on Latinas y Latinos in the Profession is excited to provide multiple opportunities for members to engage with each other and with important work around immigration politics in the DC area. This year in addition to our regular business meeting and joint reception, the status committee is organizing a panel on "Contemporary Politics of Central American Communities in the D.C. Area" where local activists representing the rapid response network of Sanctuary DMV (http://sanctuarydmv.org/) and legal and social services of Ayuda (https://www.ayuda.com/) will share insights and analysis on their work. We are grateful to all the members of the committee for their work all year long and are looking forward to celebrating the successful election of our own David Leal to the APSA council along with the recipients of the Adaljiza Sosa-Riddell annual awards for mentoring at our reception. Come join us at one of these events:

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Committee on Status of Latinas y Latinos in the Profession Business Meeting:
8:30am-10am Friday, August 30th in the Marriott Wardman Park, Buchanan Room

Joint Status Committee and Related Caucus Reception
Friday, Aug. 30th, 7:30-9pm, Marriott Salon 1
(we will be presenting the annual awards, announcing new jobs in REP and related fields, and giving graduate students on the market a chance introduce themselves and celebrate their successes)

Contemporary Politics of Central American Communities in the D.C. Area
Sat, August 31, 2:00 to 3:30pm, Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington DC, Room: Virginia B

2019 Latino Politics Workshop
Thursday, August 29, 2019
Marriott Wardman Park
Washington 3

7-7:15 Coffee & pastries/Welcome remarks

7:15-8:30 Panel #1
Scholarship & Pedagogy
chair: Chinbo Chong
panelists: Mara Ostfeld, Michael Jones-Correa, Betina Wilkinson

8:30-8:45 break

8:45-10am Panel #2
The LatinX Question
chair: Matt Barreto
panelists: Cristina Beltrán, Melina Juárez, Stephen Nuño, Marcela García-Castañon

10-10:45 Graduate student poster session

10:45-noon Panel #3
Perspectives From The Ground: A Conversation About Latino Political Engagement in Practice
chair: Angel Molina
panelists: Maria Urbina (Indivisible) and Juliana Cabrales (NALEO)

noon-12:15 break

12:15-1:30 Latino Caucus Business Meeting
Presentation of Awards
Reports, Elections, Announcements, and Other News
Collection of Dues
Co-winners of the 2019 Best Book in Latino Politics award:

Adrián Félix, *Specters of Belonging: The Political Life Cycle of Mexican Migrants*

Armando Ibarra, Alfredo Carlos, and Rodolfo D. Torres, *The Latino Question: Politics, Laboring Classes and the Next Left*

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The Asian and Pacific Islander American (APAC) Caucus would like to invite you to a special event:

**APAC’S 20th Annual Celebration**

Thursday, August 29, 2019

4:00 -7: 00 pm

Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington DC (ROOM: Maryland C)

**Event Agenda:**

**Symposium 4:00 – 5:15 pm:** Reflections on and New Directions for the Asian Pacific American Caucus at 20 years (Featured symposium speakers - *Pei-te Lien, Andy Aoki, Sara Sadhwani, Loan Le, Oki Takeda*)

**Field Update 5:15 – 6:00 pm:** Lightning Presentations on New Work in Asian American Politics *(Featured speakers: Chinbo Chong, Nathan Chan, Tanika Raychaudhuri, Vivien Leung, Daeun Song)*

**Reception 6:00 – 7:00 pm:** Food and Drink/Recognitions/Awards

Co-sponsored by the American Political Science Association and APSA Diversity & Inclusion Programs & the APSA Committee on the Status of Asian Pacific Americans in the Profession

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**Women of Color in Political Science 2019 Workshop**

**August 28, 2019**

8:45 – 9 am: Welcome Remarks

**Drs. Jessica Lavariega Monforti**, Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences, California Lutheran University & **Melissa R. Michelson**, Professor of Political Science, Menlo College

9 – 10:15 am: Workshop Session 1 (choose one)

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Op-Ed Writing Workshop
Moderator: Danielle Kim, Scholars Strategy Network

Successfully Negotiating the Graduate School Experience
Moderators: Dr. Angela Ocampo (LSA Collegiate Postdoctoral Fellow in the Department of Political Science at the University of Michigan) & Patricia Posey (Pre-Doctoral Fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

10:45 am – 12 pm: Morning Plenary: Research, Research, Research

Dr. Amaney Jamal, Edwards S. Sanford Professor of Politics, Princeton University

12- 1:15 pm: Lunch

1:15 – 2:30 pm: Workshop Session 2 (choose one)

Creating Your Own Narrative: How to Present Yourself in the Discipline
Moderators: Drs. Nazita Lajevardi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science, Michigan State University & Tehama Lopez Bunyasi, Assistant Professor at the School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution at George Mason University

Negotiating Like a Boss
Moderators: Drs. Andrea Silva, Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of North Texas, Lorrie Frasure-Yokley, Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of California-Los Angeles & Janelle Wong, Professor of American Studies and Asian American Studies Program, University of Maryland

2:30 pm – 3:45 pm: Workshop Session 3 (choose one)

Stuff No One Wants to Talk About
Moderators: Drs. Lisa Magaña, Professor, School of Transborder Studies, Arizona State University & Niambi Carter, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Howard University

Managing Yourself as an Entrepreneur
Moderators: Drs. Vanessa Tyson, Associate Professor of Politics, Scripps College and Fellow at Stanford University & Chrissy Greer, Associate Professor of Political Science and American Studies at Fordham University

4:45-5 pm Afternoon Plenary: Charting Paths to Success

Speaker: Dr. Shayla Nunnally, Associate Professor, Political Science and Africana Studies Institute, University of Connecticut

5 – 5:15 pm: Closing Remarks

7 – 9:30 pm: Dinner

Dinner Speaker: Dr. Yvette Alex-Assensoh, Vice President for Equity and Inclusion, University of Oregon