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Friday, February 24, 2012

Executive Committee Lunch (11:15 am – 12:30 pm)

Location: Mike's Place

Registration (Noon-4:00 pm)

Brewer-Hegeman Conference Center Lobby

Session 1 (1:00 pm – 2:30 pm)

Issues in International Relations

Location: Room 4A

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

“U.S. – Africa Policy under the Obama Presidency”

Daniel Egbe, Philander Smith College, egbed2004@yahoo.com

“China Warming: A Study in Climate Change”

S. Anthony Childress, Arkansas State University, scott.childress@smail.astate.edu

“Strategic Opportunism as an American Grand Strategy”

Christopher Housenick, Arkansas Tech University, chousenick@atu.edu

“Reforming the United Nations Security Council to Make Global Decisions”

Richard Hartwig, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Richard.Hartwig@tamuk.edu

American Politics

Location: Room 1

Chair: Michael Rogers, Arkansas Tech University

Discussant: Michael Yawn, Sam Houston State University

“Civic Education through Citizenship”

Michael Yawn, Sam Houston State University, POL_RMY@SHSU.EDU

“The Natural Disaster of Civic Proportions Revisited”

Michael Rogers, Arkansas Tech University, mrogers6@atu.edu

“Menace II Society? Urban Poverty and Underclass Narratives in American Movies”

Thomas Halper, Baruch College – CUNY, Thomas.Halper@baruch.cuny.edu

“Untitled Working Paper”

Michael Link, Arkansas Tech University, malink@atu.edu

Undergraduate Research in American Politics and Policy

Location: Room 2

Chair/Discussant: Doug Reed, Ouachita Baptist University, reedd@obu.edu

“The Constitutional Right to Sexual Activity: A Case Study of Disciplinary Policy in Prison Settings”

Thomas Spencer, University of Arkansas at Monticello, tjso2001@uamont.edu

“The Great Disconnect: The Moral Divide between International and Domestic Criminal Law”

Micah Perry, University of Arkansas at Monticello, mcp2611@uamont.edu

“Feminization of Poverty with the Ozarks of Arkansas”

Sara Bayles, University of Central Arkansas, sdbayles@cox.net

“A Community’s Influence” Aggregated Opinion of Abortion Policy and Placement of Abortion Facilities”

Adrianne Redding, John Brown University, reddinga@jbu.edu

Roundtable: The 2012 Presidential and Congressional Elections

Location: Room 4B

Chair: Donald M. Gooch, Arkansas Tech University, dgooch@atu.edu

Patrick A. Stewart, University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, pastewar@uark.edu

Gary Wekkin, University of Central Arkansas, garyw@uca.edu

Jay Barth, Hendrix College, barth@hendrix.edu

Alice Stewart, Political consultant and commentator

Session 2 (2:45 pm – 4:15 pm)

Arkansas Courts and Jurisprudence

Location: Room 4A

Panel Chair: Hans Hacker, Arkansas State University, hhacker@astate.edu

Discussant: Matthew Reid Krell, Arkansas State University, matthew.krell@smail.astate.edu

"The Priority Of Pragmatism in Judicial Decision-Making"

C.F. Abel, Stephen F. Austin State University, cfabel@sfasu.edu

"Judicial Independence on State Supreme Courts: Do Justices "Follow the Election Returns?"

William D. Blake, University of Texas – Austin, wblake04@gmail.com

"Existing Practices": Processes, and Outcomes on the Arkansas Court of Appeals"

Hans J. Hacker, Arkansas State University, hhacker@astate.edu

William D. Blake, University of Texas – Austin, wblake04@gmail.com

"Arkansas's Retroactive-Legislation Doctrine"

Brandon J. Harrison, Harrison Law Firm

Hans J. Hacker, Arkansas State University, hhacker@astate.edu

Graduate/Undergraduate Research in International Relations and Comparative Politics

Location: Room 2

Chair/Discussant: John Passe-Smith, University of Central Arkansas, johnp@uca.edu

"Taking Complaints to the Web: An Analysis of China's On-line Petition System"

Lacey Bradley-Storey, Northeastern University, Bradley-store.1@husky.neu.edu

"Nuclear Powers, Fears, and Hopes: A Comparison of Nuclear Awareness and Optimism Between the United States and the Russian Federation"

Trae Holzman, University of Arkansas, dholzman@uark.edu

"Japanese Bureaucratic Failure in Response to the Tohoku Earthquake"

Naruhiko Tsukuda, University of Central Arkansas, naru.tsukuda@me.com

Interactive IR Student Roundtable

Location: Room 1

Convener and Chair: Charles Hartwig, Arkansas State University, hartwigc@astate.edu

“CARE International”

Mary Bailey, Arkansas State University, mary.bailey@smail.astate.edu

“Doctors Without Borders”

Ismail Moufdi, Arkansas State University, ismail.moufdi@smail.astate.edu

“World Health Organization”

Lilia Pacheco, Arkansas State University, lilia.pacheco@smail.astate.edu

“Rainforest Alliance”

Luna Unnold, Arkansas State University, luna.unnoldCofre@smail.astate.edu

“UN World Tourist Organization”

James M. Williams, Arkansas State University, jamesm.williams@smail.astate.edu

Roundtable: The Constitutionality & Politics of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

Location: Room 4B

Chair: Tom McInnis, University of Central Arkansas, tomm@uca.edu

William Schreckhise, University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, schreckw@uark.edu

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Reception (4:45 pm – 6:00 pm)

Location: Hilton Garden Inn, 805 Amity Road, Conway

Dinner (6:00 pm-8:00 pm)

Location: Hilton Garden Inn

Guest Speaker: Dr. Charles Bullock III, Richard B. Russell Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia

Saturday, February 25, 2012

Breakfast Business Meeting (7:30 am -8:30 am)

Location: Brewer-Hegeman Conference Center 5A/B
(all members and conference participants are invited)

Registration (8:30 am – 10:30 am)

Brewer-Hegeman Conference Center Lobby

Session #3 (8:45 am – 10:15 am)

Issues in Comparative Politics

Location: Room 4A

Chair/Discussant: Gizachew Tiruneh, University of Central Arkansas, gtiruneh@uca.edu

“A Comparison of Visual Motifs in Violent Islamist and Right-Wing Racist Videos on YouTube”
Christopher J. Wright, University of Arkansas-Monticello, wrightch@uamont.edu

“Too Much or Not Enough? CSR and the Relationship between Foreign Oil Corporations and the Government of Kazakhstan”
William Curtis Sullivan, University of Arkansas-Fayetteville, wsulliva@uark.edu

“Cross-National Analysis of Prerequisites of Democracy: A Focus on Latin America”
Dale Story, University of Texas-Arlington, story@uta.edu

“Whose ‘Clash’? Comparing anti-Americanism and anti-Muslim Attitudes”
Rebecca Anne Glazier, University of Arkansas-Little Rock, raglazier@ualr.edu
William J. Miller, Southeast Missouri State University, wmiller@semo.edu

Public Policy

Location: Room 1

Chair/Discussant: David H. Jerome, Missouri Southern State University, Jerome-d@mssu.edu

“The Imperatives of Successful Policy Implementation: An Evaluation of the Hollings National Institute of Standards and Technology-Manufacturing Extension Partnership (NIST-MEP) Program’s Implementation in Arkansas”
Russell M. Frazier, Western Kentucky University, Russell.frazier@wku.edu

“Unsustainable Groundwater Use in Arkansas: A Tragedy of the Commons in the Making?”

Barbara Warner, Arkansas State University, bwarner@astate.edu

Jose Ochoa-Arguello, Arkansas State University, jose.ochoaarguello@smail.astate.edu

“Local Enforcement of Federal Immigration Policies: An Analysis of the 287(g) and Secure Communities Programs in Arkansas”

Daniel Chand, University of Arkansas, dchand@uark.edu

Renee Deshommes, University of Arkansas

Kuatbay Bektemirov, University of Arkansas

Leland McQueen, University of Arkansas

“Executive Order #12898: A Commitment to Environmental Justice or Just Lip Service?”

John Passe-Smith, University of Central Arkansas, johnp@uca.edu

Mary Sue Passe-Smith, University of Central Arkansas, marysuep@uca.edu

Undergraduate Research in Political Theory and Political Identity

Location: Room 2

Chair/Discussant: Mary Beth Sullivan, University of Central Arkansas, marys@uca.edu

“The ‘Super Other’: Exposing Political and Social Otherization in Mainstream Comic Media”

Chris Brown, University of Arkansas at Monticello, ctb2328@uamont.edu

“The Right Kind of Woman: The Impact of Gender Norms on the Civil Justice System”

Samantha Montgomery, University of Arkansas at Monticello, ssm4214@uamont.edu

“Social Power and Bullying: How Adherence to Gender Norms Influences Adolescent Bullying”

Courtney Thrower, University of Arkansas at Monticello, cdt5411@uamont.edu

Education Policy

Location: Room 4B

Chair/Discussant: Robert Maranto, University of Arkansas, rmaranto@uark.edu

“Symbolic Interactionism and Moral Hazards in Higher Education”

Louella Moore, Arkansas State University, lmoore@astate.edu

“Performance Based Funding Legislation and the Effects on Equal Access to Higher Education in America”

Yvonne Hinshaw, University of Arkansas at Monticello

"How Effective are For-Profit Education Turnaround Partners? America's Choice in Arkansas, 2006-2010"

Sandra Stotsky, University of Arkansas, sstotsky@uark.edu

Trae Holzman, University of Arkansas, dholzman@uark.edu

"State Lotteries: Killing or Fulfilling Financial Goals for Education?"

Ashley Shelton, Harding University, ashelton@harding.edu

"The Political Science, Public Administration and Criminal Justice Interface: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Teaching and Learning in the Three Disciplines"

George R. Franks, Stephen F. Austin State University, franksgr@sfasu.edu

Session #4 (10:30 am – 12:00)

Roundtable: The Arab Spring

Location: Room 4A

Convener and Chair: Kevin Brennan, Ouachita Baptist University, brennank@obu.edu

"The Underlying Causes of Middle Eastern Revolutions"

Gizachew Tiruneh, University of Central Arkansas, gtiruneh@uca.edu

"The Theory of Revolutions, 'Colored' Revolutions, and the Arab Spring"

Jacek Lubecki, University of Arkansas-Little Rock, jxlubecki@ualr.edu

"Third-Party Interventions and the Arab Spring: Causes and Consequences"

Mark Mullenbach, University of Central Arkansas, markm@uca.edu

"Progress Toward Democracy? The Cases of Egypt, Bahrain, and Yemen"

Kevin Brennan, Ouachita Baptist University, brennank@obu.edu

Organizational Behavior

Location: Room 2

Chair/Discussant: Cathy Reese, Arkansas State University, ccreese@astate.edu

"Implementing Succession Management Planning in Huntsville, Texas City Government"

Stephanie Brim, Sam Houston State University, Stephanie@shsu.edu

"Transforming Public Organizations by Changing Workplace Design"

Seok Eun Kim, Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea, seokeun@hanyang.ac.kr

Wes Young, Arkansas Department of Human Services, wes-young@att.net

"Army Transformation has Historically Been Difficult to Achieve"

David H. Jerome, Missouri Southern State University, Jerome-D@mssu.edu

American Politics

Location: Room 4B

Chair: William Schreckhise, University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, schreckw@uark.edu

Discussant: William K. Delehanty, Missouri Southern State University, Delehanty-W@mssu.edu

“Of Killers Silent and Sensational: An Examination of the Coverage of Deaths in Newspapers”

Brenda Kilby, USA, brendakilby777@gmail.com

William Schreckhise, University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, schreckw@uark.edu

“Black Nationalism, Racial Identity and African-American Political Participation”

William K. Delehanty, Missouri Southern State University, Delehanty-W@mssu.edu

“Understanding/Misunderstanding Hillary”

Margaret E. Scranton, University of Arkansas – Little Rock, mescranton@ualr.edu

“The Passage of the Health Care Reform Legislation: An Analysis of House Votes”

Haroon A. Khan, Henderson State University, KHANH@hsu.edu

Undergraduate Research in International Relations and Comparative Politics

Location: Room 1

Chair/Discussant: Steven Breezeel, Harding University, sbreezeel@harding.edu

“Japan’s Assistance to Palestine and Israel”

Shohta Nakashima, University of Arkansas, snakashi@uark.edu

“The Nation-Building Process: Why the United States Struggles”

Jonathan Hoskins, University of Arkansas at Monticello, jrh1230@uamont.edu

“The Rise of the Opposition: A Theoretical Appraisal of the Recent Arab Spring”

Kelly Reed, University of Arkansas at Monticello, kk0622@uamont.edu

“Balancing Hard and Soft Power in a Global Spectrum: American Dominance in International Relations”

Zachary Wisenor, University of Arkansas at Monticello, zlw0414@uamont.edu

Luncheon (12:15 pm – 1:30 pm)

Location: Brewer-Hegeman Conference Center 5A/B

Guest Speaker: Preston Scroggin, Faulkner County Judge