

Chicago Area Political and Social Behavior Workshop

Friday, May 5, 2017

Guild Lounge, Scott Hall, 601 University Place, Evanston, IL 60208

Papers, if available, will be posted at <http://faculty.wcas.northwestern.edu/~jnd260/conference.html>

9:30 a.m.	Coffee and light breakfast
10:00 a.m.	Introduction <i>James Druckman</i> , Northwestern University/Institute for Policy Research
10:05 a.m.	“The Politicization of Place” <i>Cara Wong</i> , University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign <i>Moderated by John Transue</i> , University of Illinois at Springfield
11:05 a.m.	Break
11:30 a.m.	“Political Inequality in Affluent Democracies: The Social Welfare Deficit” <i>Larry Bartels</i> , Vanderbilt University <i>Moderated by Daniel Galvin</i> , Northwestern University/Institute for Policy Research
12:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30 p.m.	“The Politics of Homeownership in the United States” <i>Chloe Thurston</i> , Northwestern University/Institute for Policy Research <i>Moderated by Alexandra Filindra</i> , University of Illinois at Chicago
2:30 p.m.	Break
2:45 p.m.	Junior Scholar Poster Session
3:30 p.m.	Break
4:00 p.m.	“The Politics of Deciding What’s News: How the Polarized, Ideologically Valenced, and Gendered Structure of Information Environments Affect Journalists’ Behavior” <i>Michael Wagner</i> , University of Wisconsin–Madison <i>Moderated by Matt Motyl</i> , University of Illinois at Chicago
5:15– 7:15 p.m.	Dinner at Mt. Everest (630 Church St., Evanston)

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2017 Speakers



Larry Bartels, May Werthan Shayne Chair of Public Policy and Social Science, Vanderbilt University

Larry Bartels' research focuses on public opinion, electoral politics, public policy, and political representation. His books include *Democracy for Realists: Why Elections Do Not Produce Responsive Government* (Princeton University Press, 2016) with Christopher H. Achen, and *Unequal Democracy: The Political Economy of the New Gilded Age, 2nd edition* (Princeton University Press, 2016). He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and the National Academy of Sciences. His current project on "Political Inequality in Affluent Democracies" is supported by an Andrew Carnegie Fellowship.



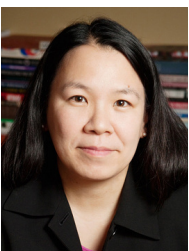
Chloe Thurston, Assistant Professor of Political Science and IPR Associate, Northwestern University

Chloe Thurston's research interests are in American political development, with a focus on social policy, organized interests and social movements, and historical analysis. She is the author of the forthcoming book, *American Dream Denied: The Politics of Homeownership in the United States* (Cambridge University Press), examining the expansion of access to mortgage credit over the 20th century. Thurston currently serves on the editorial board of *Business and Politics*.



Michael Wagner, Associate Professor of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Wisconsin–Madison

Michael Wagner is an associate professor in the University of Wisconsin–Madison's School of Journalism and Mass Communication. His research, teaching, and service are animated by the question, "How well does democracy work?" Wagner approaches this question from a variety of perspectives, incorporating elements of the study of political communication, political parties, journalism, public opinion, political psychology, political behavior, religion and politics, the presidency, and biology into his work.



Cara Wong, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Cara Wong's research interests include racial and ethnic politics, politics of immigration and citizenship, public opinion, and voting behavior. Her 2010 book, *Boundaries of Obligation in American Politics: Geographic, National, and Racial Communities* (Cambridge University Press), explores how people define their communities and examines the extent to which psychological community boundaries affect individuals' redistributive attitudes. Wong is a faculty affiliate of the Cline Center for Democracy at UIUC.



James Druckman, organizer

Payson S. Wild Professor of Political Science, and IPR Associate Director and Fellow, Northwestern University

James Druckman's research focuses on political preference formation and communication. His most recent work examines how citizens make political, economic, and social decisions in various different contexts (e.g., settings with multiple competing messages, online information, deliberation). He also has explored the relationship between citizens' preferences and public policy, and how political elites make decisions under varying institutional conditions.