NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BLACK POLITICAL SCIENTISTS

RACE AND THE ENVIRONMENT: AGENCY, SURVIVAL, AND THE CONTINUING CHALLENGES OF BLACK INEQUALITIES

49TH ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 14TH-17TH | 2018
THE W HOTEL
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CHICAGO, IL 60611

DRAFT PROGRAM
### SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

#### Wednesday, March 15

- **12-4pm**: Executive Council Meeting
- **4:30-5:30pm**: A Conversation with President Shayla Nunnally about the Role of NCOBPS in the Age of Trump
- **4:30-6:30pm**: Conference Registration
- **6pm-8pm**: Welcome Reception

#### Thursday, March 16

- **8 am-5 pm**: Conference Registration and Exhibit Viewing
- **9 am-10:15 am**: Opening Plenary -- The Black Environment: Gentrification, Community Development, and the Obama Library
- **10:30-11:45 am**: Concurrent Sessions I
- **12-1:00 pm**: Professional Development Lunch: Preparing Expert Witness Testimony
- **1:15-2:30 pm**: Concurrent Sessions II
- **2:45-4 pm**: Concurrent Sessions III
- **4:15 pm-5:30 pm**: Concurrent Sessions IV
- **4:30 – 5:15 pm**: APSA’s Committee Meeting on the Status of Blacks in the Profession
- **4:30 – 5:15 pm**: LGBTQ Caucus Meeting
- **5:30 pm-6:30 pm**: NCOBPS Business Meeting
- **7:00 – 9:00 pm**: “NCOBPS Presents: Black Politics on the Third Rail” Live w/Carlos Watson

#### Friday, March 17

- **8 am-5 pm**: Conference Registration and Exhibit Viewing
- **9-10:15 am**: Plenary Session 2: The New Black Chicago Politics
- **10:30-11:45 am**: Concurrent Sessions V
- **11:30-12:15 pm**: Professional Development Lunch: Kathleen Thelen, APSA and Shayla Nunnally, NCOBPS
- **12:15-2:00 pm**: Concurrent Sessions VI
- **2:45-4 pm**: Concurrent Sessions VII
- **4:15-5:30 pm**: Concurrent Sessions VIII
- **5:30-6:30 pm**: Founders Symposium Reception
- **6:30-7:30 pm**: President’s Reception
- **7:30pm-9:30 pm**: Keynote Speaker and Awards Banquet

#### Saturday, March 18

- **8 am-2:00 pm**: Exhibit Viewing
- **8-9 am**: ASBWP Business Meeting and Mentoring Breakfast
- **9:00-10:15 am**: Plenary Session 3: Developing LGBTQ Pedagogy and Policies in Higher Educational Institutions
- **10:30 -11:45 pm**: Concurrent Sessions IX
- **12:00 pm**: Closing Luncheon, Blacks in Green, Attorney Naomi Davis
- **2:30 – 5:00**: Community Forum on Redistricting and the 2018 Midterm Election
- **5:30 – until**: Evening Outing – Norman’s Bistro, Sponsored by Dr. Charles V. Hamilton Institute
NCOBPS 49th Annual Conference


The conference theme, "Race and the Environment: Agency, Survival, and the Continuing Challenges of Black Inequalities," explores the multiple manifestations of the environment for the everyday lives of Black people around the world. The condition of the Black body has been regulated by the scope of political discourses during particular political environments, over time. Accesses to nation, subsistence, providence, and wealth have been defined by land acquisition, arability, maintenance, safety, transferability, displacement, and dispossession. Public policies and practices influence the volatility (or not) of Blacks’ environments and the qualities of land, air, water, and "space," in general, which sustain (or limit) Black communities’ well-being. Whether it is household, block-level, urban-suburban-rural, Global North or Global South, the survival and liberation of Black people depends upon the “health” of their environs, with special attention to its protection and dignity, through their rights as citizens and human beings. Of critical importance is the extent to which these environs may (or may not) have changed in the transition from the Obama era to the Trump era.

The conference includes panels, roundtables and plenaries related to topics on Black people and the "environment," broadly defined and throughout time, in order to explore the politics of race, gender, ethnicity, class, age, ability, immigration status, and nation, as far as their intersections with their environments and whether Black people live their lives as (under)privileged, vulnerable, empowered, or resilient, in the Black Diaspora. Chicago, the conference location, offers yet another meaningful context for excavating race and the environment for Black lives. The location also renders important a space for engaging Black community life in critical-analytical, conference exchanges.
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**PROGRAM of ACTIVITIES**

**Wednesday, March 14**

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**The Black Environment: Gentrification, Community Development, and the Obama Library**

**Location:**

Dr. Carol Adams, University of Chicago Community Advisory Board  
Harold Lucas, Historic Bronzeville Chicago Black Metropolis Convention & Tourism Council  
L. Anton Seals, Director of Grow Greater Englewood  
Calvin Holmes, Director of the Chicago Community Loan Fund

Moderator: Ruthie Moore
Panel 1: Environment, Public Policy & Social Justice
Location: 
Chair:

Becoming Political: Grassroots Environmental Justice Activism as a Source of Political Learning and Socialization
Kim Fields, Valparaiso University

Framing Injustice: Social Movement Narratives in a Partisan Media Environment
Elizabeth J. Davies, University of Chicago
Leigh Raymond, Purdue University
Valerie Sinclair-Chapman, Purdue University
Laurel Weldon, Purdue University

Are Diverse Legislatures More Likely to Address Environmental Justice? Evidence from the 50 States
Nadia Elizabeth Brown, Purdue University

Shattered Frames: Differences in Modes of Mobilization
Adria Tinnin, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), Department of Political Science

Discussant:

Panel 2: Black Lives under the Current Political System
Location: 
Chair:

Headway in Ferguson? Assessing Progress Since 2014
Michael Strawbridge, Independent

Tweeting about Black Lives: Estimating Racial Affinity of #Blacklivesmatter Users
Jamil Scott, Michigan State University

Lessons from Charlottesville: Bridging Turbulent Times
Mary Bruce, Governor State University
Vincent Jones, Governor State University

Eliminate the Threat
Grace Adams-Square, Middle Georgia State University
Michelle N. Fletcher, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Discussant:
Panel 3: Youth Movement, Mobilization, Neoliberalism  
Location:  
Chair:  

Racializing Neoliberal Urban Governance: Emergency Management and Detroit Public Schools
AJ Rice, Michigan State University - African American and African Studies

A Vision for Resistance: Creative Forms of Youth-Led Political Protest
Zahra Ahmed, Fullerton College

State Level Dream Acts and Latino Responsiveness
Mikaila Leyva, University of Notre Dame

Discussant:

Panel 4: Politics of Race, Education & Policy in Africana Communities  
Location:  
Chair: Kurt Young, Clark Atlanta University

Behind the Same Mule? African Americans, Caribbean Americans, and the 'Black Vote'
Andrea Pena-Vasquez, University of Notre Dame

An Analysis of U.S. Federal Educational Leadership: A Product of an Evolving American Federalism
Marla Hollis, Clark Atlanta University

A Study on Educational Policy: School Choice Program Expansion
Timothy Williams, Clark Atlanta University

Discussant: Miyah Shaw
Thursday, March 16th, 10:30-11:45 am -- Concurrent Session I Continued

Panel 5: Black Identity, Diversity, and Beliefs

Location: 
Chair: Artemesia Stanberry

Color My World: Examining the Impact of the Racial Mix of Social Networks on Racial Resentment, Stereotypes, and Discrimination
Roman Hatcher, North Carolina A&T State University

The Everyday Life Experiences of Trans Students of Color at the University of Florida
Tiara Telfair, University of Florida

Red, White, (Black), and Blue: Probing the Effects of Social Networks on American Identity and Patriotism by Race
Tarik Bandy, Independent

What About a Woman President?: Understanding the Effects of Voter Stereotypes on Women Candidates
Sydney Carr, University of Connecticut

Race Matters: The Influence of the Racial Makeup of Social Networks on Public Policy Positions
Darius Mcduffie, North Carolina A&T State University

Discussant: Artemesia Stanberry

Thursday, March 16th, 12:00 pm-1:00 pm
Professional Development/Networking Lunch

Preparing Expert Witnesses in an Era of Retrenchment Against Black Political Power

Location:

D’Andra Orey, Jackson State University
Sekou Franklin, Middle Tennessee State University
Leah Aden, NAACP Legal Defense Fund
Ray Block, University of Kentucky

Moderator: Christina Rivers, DePaul University
Thursday, March 15th, 1:15-2:30 pm -- Concurrent Session II

Panel 6: Poverty and Politics
Location:
Chair:

You Still Live There: Limitations of the Social Welfare Policy
Meghan Wilson, Brown University

Growing Up Poor on The Dollar Menu: Dissonance, Disease, Death and Decolonizing Our Diets
Shronda Davis-Maxie, University of California, Irvine

Connecting Housing in Low-income Communities as a Public Health Issue: Story-telling the Researcher-Community Partner Model of Interdisciplinary Research Leaders
Revathi Hines, Southern University and A&M College

Discussant:

Panel 7: Racial Politics in the Americas: Honoring and Applying the Work of Mark Q. Sawyer
Location:
Chair: Danielle Clealand, Florida International University

Black Symmetries: Pan-African Imaginations Among African Descendants in the Americas
Minion K.C. Morrison, University of Delaware

Racial Politics in Cuba: Unanswered Questions, Uncertain Futures
Ollie Johnson, Wayne State University

Race and Democracy in the Americas Revisited
Dianne Pinderhughes, University of Notre Dame

National Identity and Black Consciousness in Puerto Rico and Cuba
Danielle Clealand, Florida International University

Discussant: Alfredo Gonzalez, University of Chicago -- algonzalez@uchicago.edu
Panel 8: LGBT Politics and Institutions
Location:
Chair: Tonya Williams

- Developing LGBTQ Inclusive Pedagogy & Policies in Higher Educational Institutions
  Jerome Hunt, Long Beach City College

- Examining the Impact of Stigmatized Social Identities and LGBT Status on Employee Job Satisfaction in the Federal Workforce
  Michelle N. Fletcher, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Discussant: Tonya Williams

Panel 9: Teaching, Learning, Mentorship and Pedagogy
Location:
Chair: Boris Ricks

- Do We Teach African American Teens Their Rights?: Reinventing the High School Us Government Course in America’s Largest Urban School Districts
  Darry Powell-Young, Wayne State University

- Teaching to Transform - Educating 21st Century Learners
  La Della Levy, College of Southern Nevada

- Equipping African American Students to Survive and Thrive during the Trump Presidency and Beyond: Integrating the Pedagogy of Care into Political Science Curriculum
  Elizabeth Craig Walker, Claremont Graduate University

- Using Twine to Teach Political Science Concepts in the General Education Curriculum
  Matthew B. Platt, Morehouse College

Discussant: Nadia Brown
**Thursday, March 15th, 1:15-2:30 pm -- Concurrent Session II Continued**

**Panel 10: Institutionalized Racial Policies: The Courts, the Presidency, and Guns**

*Location:*  
*Chair:* D. Vincent Thomas

Diversity Abound: Will Federal Judicial Appointees Mirror a Changing Citizenry?  
Shenita Brazelton, Old Dominion University  
LaTasha Chaffin, College of Charleston

The Rendition of Fugitive Slaves and the Development of the Law and Order President, 1790-1855  
Joshua Miller, Catholic University of America

Conservative Trends and Excess Black Mortality: Reagan Era Policies and Black Death Rates  
Dean E. Robinson, University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
Javier M. Rodriguez, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Colonialism and Its Discontents: Plantations, Property, Pupils, and Prisons  
Nadine Wedderburn, SUNY Empire State College

Racialized Gun Control: How Race Shaped Contemporary Us Gun Policy  
Dara Gaines, Northwestern University  
Andrene Wright, Northwestern University  
Justin Zimmerman, University of Illinois, College of Law

*Discussant:* D. Vincent Thomas

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**Thursday, March 15th, 2:45-4:00 pm -- Concurrent Session III**

**Panel 11: Black Incarceration and Criminal Justice Reform**

*Location:*  
*Chair:* Christina Rivers, DePaul University

Justifying the Carceral State: Advocacy Frames and White Opposition to Criminal Justice Reform  
Brianna White, Northwestern University  
Denzel Avant, Northwestern University  
Kumar Ramanathan, Northwestern University

Skeptical Officers, Uncertain Chiefs, and the Persistence of Racially Disproportionate Policing  
Andrew James McCall, University of California, Berkeley

*Discussant:* Ahmadou Drame, Abba Strategies & DePaul University
Panel 12: Movement Building and Civic Engagement Through an Intersectional Lens
Location:
Chair: James Taylor

In the Name of Queen Arawelo: The Civic Engagement of Somali Women in the United States
Dorian Brown Crosby, Spelman College

What Would Mama Do: Save Our Sons and Daughters and Anti-Violence Organizing Among Black Mothers of Murdered Children in Detroit
Melynda Price, University of Kentucky College of Law

Black 'Ladies' and the Art of Resistance
Keisha Lindsay, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dear Momma, the Black Madonna and Child: Black Women, Raising Black Boys on Allah, Jesus, and Hip-Hop”
April Jackson

Discussant: James Taylor

Panel 13: RoundTable: Mentoring Students into Ph.D. Programs and Beyond
Location:

Nadia E. Brown, Purdue University
Niambi M Carter, Howard University
Keneshia Grant, Howard University
Valeria Sinclair-Chapman, Purdue University

Panel 14: Creating Space, Community, and Liberation
Location:
Chair: Niambi M Carter, Howard University

A Philosophical Anthropology of Race and the Geographies of Liberation
Desiree Renee Melonas, Birmingham-Southern College

Language as a Space-Making Practice: Katherine Mckittrick and Ngugi Wa Thiong'O Writing the Slave Ship, the Hold, and the Plantation
LaShonda R. Carter, University of California, Irvine

Race, Repentance, and Sylvia Rivera's Political Appeal
Lisa Beard, Independent

Discussant: Niambi M Carter, Howard University
Thursday, March 15th, 2:45-4:00 pm -- Concurrent Session III Continued

Panel 15: Black Lives Matter and Politics

Location:
Chair: Andra Gillespie

Predicting Support Among Young People for Black Lives Matter
Jenn Jackson, University of Chicago

The New Limits of a Deracialized Campaign: How Polarization and the Black Lives Matter Movement Have Made Deracialized Campaigns Ineffective in Appealing to Black Voters
Christopher Stout, Oregon State University

Contextual or Intergenerational? How Poverty Status Shapes African American Voter Turnout
Christine M. Slaughter, University of California, Los Angeles

Estimating the Effects of Voter ID Across State Lines
Tye Rush, University of California, Los Angeles

Gorillas in Our Midst? Exploring the Political Consequences of Implicit Dehumanization
Steven Moore, University of Michigan

Discussant: Gabrielle Gray

Thursday, March 15th, 4:15-5:30 pm Concurrent Session IV

Panel 16: Race, Politics, & Public Policy

Location:
Chair: Alecia D. Hoffman, Alabama State University, ahoffman@alasu.edu

Originating Stand Your Ground: Race, Criminal Justice, and Neoliberal Reason
Marcus Alexander Lee, University of Chicago

Race Relations in Virginia: Policy Issues and the Communication Breakdown between Racial Groups
Donna L. Taylor, Independent

Politicizing Disaster: The Politics of the Federal Response to Natural Disasters from Hurricanes Katrina to Hurricane Maria
Albert Leon Samuels

The Never-Ending Presidency: Ronald Reagan’s Sustaining Influence on African American Life
Stephanie L. Williams, University of South Florida

Discussant: Alecia D. Hoffman, Alabama State University
Panel 17: Gender, Race and Political Behavior I
Location:
Chair: David Wilson

Elizabeth Craig Walker, Claremont Graduate University

Women Voters, Ambivalent Sexism, and Vote Choice in 2016
Lorrie Frasure-Yokley, University of California, Los Angeles

Toward a Typology of Group Conscious Thinking: Open-Ended Responses to the Linked Fate Question
Amber Spry, Columbia University

The Black Feminist Bible Study: Results from Two Quasi Experiments
Dilara Kadriye Üsküp, University of Chicago

Discussant: David Wilson

Panel 18: Roundtable: The Politics of Faculty Diversity and Tenure
Location:

Sharon Austin, University of Florida
Joseph McCormick, Pennsylvania State University, York
Emmitt Riley, DePauw University
Randall Burnside, Southern Illinois U at Carbondale.

Panel 19: Roundtable: Redistricting and Gerrymandering: On the Front line of the Battle Against Voter Suppression
Location:
Chair: Jarvis Hall, North Carolina Central University

India Lenear, North Carolina Central University
Ajamu Dillahunt-Holloway, North Carolina Central University
MaDeja Leverett, North Carolina Central University

Discussants: Jarvis Hall and Artemesia Stanberry
Thursday, March 15th, 4:15-5:30pm Concurrent Session IV Continued

Panel 20: Black Political Behavior  
Location:  
Chair: David C. Wilson  

Roles of Linked Fate and Black Political Knowledge in Shaping Responses to Group Messages  
Brianna Nicole Mack, The Ohio State University  

Measuring Black Political Knowledge  
Brianna Nicole Mack, The Ohio State University  

Race Relations During the Obama Era  
Gabrielle Gray, Howard University,  

Political Socialization at Howard University: How Howard University Impacts the Black Political Ideology of its Students  
Malcolm Thomas, Howard University  
Richard Seltzer, Howard University  

Discussant: Christine M. Slaughter  

Thursday, March 15th, 4:30pm  

APSA's Committee Meeting on the Status of Blacks in the Profession  
Location:  

LGBTQ Caucus Meeting  
Location:  

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NCOBPS Business Meeting  
Location:  

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Location:
**Friday, March 16**

**Plenary Session 2, 9:00-10:15am**

**The New Black Chicago Politics**

Location:

Page May, Assata’s Daughters and BYP100  
Barbara Ransby, University of Illinois at Chicago  
Veronica Morris Moore, Fearless Leading by the Youth, (FLY)  
Lance Williams, Northeastern University, Center for Inner City Studies

Moderator: Robert Starks, Northeastern University, Center for Inner City Studies

**Friday, March 16, 10:30-11:45 am -- Concurrent Session V**

**Panel 21:** Pan African Thought & Method  
Location:  
Chair: Maziki Thame

African Political Thought: Epistemologies of African Ways of Knowing  
Jarrod Grant, Clark Atlanta University

A Political Philosophy of Pan-Africanism: Elements & Implications  
Kurt Young, Clark Atlanta University

Africanist Concerns in Early 21st C.E. Imperialism  
Hashim Gibrill, Clark Atlanta University

*Discussant:* Maziki Thame  
Barton Taylor

**Panel 22:** Roundtable: Meet the Editors  
Location:  
Nadia Elizabeth Brown, Purdue University  
Valeria Sinclair-Chapman, Purdue University
Panel 23: Black Power, Black Resistance & the Trump Administration  
Location: 
Chair: Valerie C. Johnson, DePaul University

We've Been Trumped!: Donald Trump and the Return of Racism in Post-Racial America  
Randolph Burnside, Independent

Fighting for Survival: Blacks in Trump's America  
Karra McCray,

From Obama to Trump: What Trump Has Done to Dismantle the Obama Legacy  
Joseph P. McCormick, 2nd, Howard University  
Cedric Johnson, University of Illinois at Chicago  
Willie Legette, Independent  
Preston Smith, Mount Holyoke College

The Ongoing Crisis of Purpose in Afro-American Politics: Re-Visiting the Jesse Jackson Phenomenon,  
Nikol Alexander-Floyd, Rutgers  
Kat Cosby, University of California, Irvine  
Gladys Mitchell-Walthour, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee  
Danielle Cleland, Florida International University

Discussant:

Location: 
Tiffany Willoughby-Herard, University of California, Irvine  
Nikol Alexander-Floyd, Rutgers, New Brunswick  
Nadia E Brown, Purdue University  
Wendy Smooth, Ohio State University
**Friday, March 16, 10:30-11:45 am -- Concurrent Session V Continued**

**Panel 25: Color and Gender Politics**

*Location:*

*Chair:* Christopher Stout

The Politics of Skin Color
Nicole Yadon, University of Michigan at Ann Arbor

Out of Left Field: The Effects of Unexpected Racialized and Gendered Frames on Opinion
Ifedapo Andrew, Independent

Does Race Affect Attitudes Toward the Opioid Crisis? Results from a Survey Experiment
Andra N. Gillespie, Emory University

African American Women in United States Congress
Else Scott, Howard University

*Discussant:* Jenn Jackson

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**Friday, March 16th, 12:00 pm-1:00 pm -- Professional Development Lunch**

**APSA President, Kathleen Thelan and NCOBPS President, Shayla Nunnally**

The Status of the Profession for Black Political Scientists

*Location:*

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**Friday, March 16, 1:15-2:30 pm -- Concurrent Session VI**

**Panel 26: ASBWP Roundtable: Book Publishing in Political Science**

*Location:*

Nikol Alexander-Floyd, Rutgers, New Brunswick
Evelyn M. Simien, University of Connecticut
Melanye Price, Rutgers University, Camden
Duchess Harris, Macalester College
Panel 27: African Americans and the Public Sphere

Location: Artemesia Stanberry

The Effects of Police Brutality on African American University of Florida Students
Jasmyne Sullivan, University of Florida

Political Science and Bioenergy: The Unforeseen Overlap
Aayana Ingram, Alabama A&M University

'If God is for Us, Who Can Be Against Us:' An Analysis of the Black Church, Political Engagement, and Black College Students
Kelly Richardson, Middle Tennessee State University

Ending the Vicious Cycle- Mass Incarceration Among Black Women
Adrienne Williams, North Carolina Central University

Discussant: Artemesia Stanberry

Panel 28: Blackness, Knowing, and Institutional Transformation

Location: Ricky Hill, Jackson State University

Storytelling for Success: Auto-Ethnography and Black Feminist Epistemology
Tanya Thompson, SUNY Empire State College

The Walkout and Long 1968: Revolution and Black Social Science
Kelly Harris, Chicago State University

Understanding Deracialization OR Downplaying Blackness: Understanding the Risk of Deracialization to Black Politics
Ray Block, Jr., University of Kentucky
Harwood McClerking, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Discussant: Ricky Hill, Jackson State University
Friday, March 16, 1:15-2:30 pm -- Concurrent Session VI Continued

Panel 29: Media and Politics
Location: 
Chair: Brianna Nichole Mack

Racial Resentment, Black Nationalism and Vote Choice in the 2017 Atlanta Mayoral Election: Results from Survey Data
Andra N. Gillespie, Emory University

They Can't BeForgiven and No One Can Forget: An Examination of Political Storytelling in Media Accounts of the Student Debt Crisis
Brielle Harbin, Independent

Diminished Voices: Polling, the Press, and the Representation of Black Perspectives in Political Discourse
Shakari Byerly, University of California, Los Angeles

Discussant: Nichole Yadon

Friday, March 16, 2:45-4:00 pm -- Concurrent Session VII

Panel 30: Politics & Rights in Neoliberal Times
Location: 
Chair: Sharon D. Wright Austin, University of Florida

The Audacity of Choice: The Limitations of Reproductive Rights in West Africa
T.D. Harper-Shipman, Institute for Politics and Strategy

Governance of the Market? Tanzania's Coffee Crisis of 1996-97 and the Political Crisis of Neo-Liberalism
Murrell Lamont Brooks, Virginia Wesleyan University

The Resentment of Foreign GraduatesVersus the Issue of Brain Drain by the Nigerian Political Class: A Contradiction of Ideas
Chigbo Eligwe, Clark Atlanta University

The Death of the Left and Contemporary Politics in Jamaica
Maziki Thame, Clark Atlanta University

Discussant: Sharon D. Wright Austin, University of Florida
Antionette Keith
Panel 31: Education, Economics, & Political Participation
Location:
Chair: Russell Benjamin

Articulating Black Identity in State Policies and National Narratives in Brazil and the United States
Dalila Negreiros, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Flag on the Play: Colin Kaepernick, the NFL Protests, and 'Dog Whistle' Politics
Albert Leon Samuels, Southern University and A&M College

From the Pursuit of Equality to the Pursuit of Equity in Public Education: The Enduring Political Dilemma
Theodore J. Davis

From Paycheck to Paycheck: The Effect of the Fringe Economy on Political Participation
Patricia Posey, University of Pennsylvania

Discussant: Mary Bruce

Panel 32: Gender, Race and Political Behavior II
Location:
Chair: David Covin

Politics, Race, Religion, and Gender: An Examination of the Perilous Political Environment Faced by Politicians of Color Since the Age of Obama
Donna L. Taylor, Independent

(Re)Present Us: Examining Black Immigrant Attitudes Towards Descriptive Representation During the Obama Era
Cory Charles Gooding, University of San Diego

North Carolina’s Black Electoral Evolution
Aaron Bell, Howard University

Discussant: David Covin

Panel 33: Roundtable: Advanced Placement Government and Politics Program
Location:

Stephen Meinhold, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Cathy Brigham, Senior Director, Academic Relations, College Board
Friday, March 16, 4:15-5:30 pm -- Concurrent Session VIII

Panel 34: Race, Religiosity, & Politics
Location: 
Chair: Chernoh Sesay, DePaul University, CSESAY@depaul.edu

'State of Emergency': Black Death and Life under the Neoliberal State
Jenn Jackson, University of Chicago

The Political Underpinnings of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's Citizenship Education Program
Sekou Franklin, Middle Tennessee State University

Race and Environmental Terrorism: Tallevast, Florida and Black Women's Organizing of the Imaginary
Q. Aunrika Tucker-Shabazz, University of Michigan

Discussant: Chanetta Nelson

Location: 

Errol Henderson, Pennsylvania State University
James Taylor, University of San Francisco
Lester Spence, Johns Hopkins University

Panel 36: State and Local Government Matters: Race, Place, and Politics
Location: 
Chair: 

Emotional Responses to Traffic Stops
Frank Baumgartner, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Byron D'Andra Orey, Jackson State University

The Color of Discretion: How Urban Planners Affect Communities of Color
Kiyadh Burt, Texas A&M University

No Place Like Home: How Local Political and Economic Power Influences Intra-Group Differences in Access to Home Ownership for African American
Jessica Lynn Stewart, University of California, Los Angeles

Legislator Outreach and African American Representation in State Legislatures
Erik Hanson, University of California, Los Angeles

Discussant: 
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**Chair:** Brielle Harbin

**Black Rural Consciousness: How Location Influences African-American Political Behavior**  
Princess Williams, University of Michigan at Ann Arbor  
Brianna White, Northwestern University

**Power, Public Schools and Political Attitudes in Post-Katrina New Orleans**  
Domingo Morel, Independent  
Sally Nuamah, Northwestern University

**African Americans Racial Resentment Toward Whites: Meaning, Measurement, and Theory**  
David C. Wilson, University of Delaware  
Darren Davis, University of Notre Dame

**Discussant:** Steven Moore

### Friday, March 16, 5:30-6:30 pm -- Founders Symposium

**Transforming Institutions & Solidifying the Study of Black Politics in Honor of Dr. Mark Q. Sawyer**

**Location:**

Christine Slaughter, UCLA,  
Terrance D. Grows, Howard University  
Jaimee Swift, Howard University

**Moderator:** Princess H. Williams, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Friday, March 16, 6:30-7:30 pm President’s Reception

**Location:**
Friday, March 16, 7:30-9:30 pm Awards Banquet
South Ballroom
Valerie C. Johnson and Robert Brown, Co-Chairs

DRAFT Bio

Heather McTeer Toney was appointed by President Barack Obama as Regional Administrator for Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Southeast Region, headquartered in Atlanta, GA. Prior to coming to the Region, she served as the first African-American, first female and at age 27; the youngest to serve as Mayor of Greenville, Mississippi from 2004-2012. Known for her energetic and genuine commitment to people, her work has made her a national figure in the area of public service, diversity and community engagement.

The daughter of a civil rights attorney and public school teacher, Heather was born and raised in Greenville, Mississippi. Throughout her legal career, she handled a diverse group of cases ranging from employment discrimination to medical malpractice; and was well versed in the corporate political arena. It was while working in Greenville, that she realized how many community needs were unattended. In 2003, she was elected Mayor of the City of Greenville and re-elected for a second term in 2007. Under her leadership, the city thrived, emerged from significant debt, and received millions of dollars in grants and federal assistance. Additionally, during her tenure as mayor, Greenville completed major infrastructure projects, and involved the community in numerous health and wellness initiatives throughout the city; focusing on local health, wellness, and women’s issues. She also served as an advocate, speaking out against domestic violence, unfair legislation and labor practices in the State of Mississippi.

Today, Mrs. Toney is responsible for protecting public health and the environment in the eight southeastern states, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee, as well as six federally recognized tribes; making Region 4 the most populated and diverse of ten regions. In addition, she leads efforts to maintain and enhance the quality of work life for Region 4’s approximately 1,000 employees while effectively managing a budget of more than $500 million. As Regional Administrator for the southeastern United States, she is focused on advancing the Administration's priorities of protecting public health and the environment, including: making a visible difference in communities across the country; addressing climate change and improving air quality; protecting water; a precious and limited resource; launching a new era of state, tribal and local partnerships; and working toward a sustainable future.

Ms. Toney earned a bachelor’s degree in Sociology from Spelman College in Atlanta. She earned her law degree from the Tulane University School of Law. She is a member of the Mississippi Bar Association, and alumni of the Young Elected Officials Network. She also served as past president of the National Conference of Black Mayors, and as past chair of the EPA Local Government Advisory Committee. She enjoys reading, and is an avid athlete that loves triathlons. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and an active member of New Living Way Christian Fellowship church. She is married to Dexter Toney and they have three children.
Saturday, March 17, 8:00-9:00am

ASBWP Business Meeting and Mentoring Breakfast
Location:

Saturday, March 17, 9:00 – 10:15 am – Plenary Session 3

Developing LGBTQ Pedagogy & Policies in Higher Educational Institutions
Location:

Saturday, March 17, 10:30-11:45 am -- Concurrent Session IX

Panel 38: Race, Gender and Political Representation
Location: Wendy Smooth

Race, Gender, and Issue Ownership in the 2016 Maryland Democratic Senate Primary: The Reputational Costs of Representing Intersectionality
Tyson King-Meadows, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC)

Who is Stacey Abrams?: An Examination of Gender and Race Dynamics in State Level Candidacy
Jamil Scott, Michigan State University
Kesicia Dickinson, Michigan State University
Pearl K. Dowe, University of Arkansas

Women Candidates in Obama/Trump Era
Ernest Dupree, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Conceptualizing Minority Women's Legislative Influence
Guillermo Caballero, Purdue University

Discussant: Nadia Brown
Saturday, March 17, 10:30-11:45 am -- Concurrent Session IX Continued

Panel 39: Perspectives on Diasporic Politics and Displacement
Location:
Chair: Ray Block

Assimilation and Caribbeans: Comparing the Racial Identity and Racial Consciousness of Caribbeans and African Americans
Roman Hatcher, Independent

Political Assimilation and the African Americanization of Caribbeans: Comparing the Political Opinions of Caribbeans and African Americans
John Lionetti, North Carolina A&T State University

Hurricane Katrina and the Effects of Gentrification on African American Communities
Kelsey Perine, Southern University and A&M College
Payson Swarner, Southern University and A&M College
Donovan Pinkney, Southern University and A&M College

Political Assimilation and Caribbeans: Comparing the Political Opinions of Caribbeans, African Americans, and White Americans
Timothy Suggs, Independent

Discussant: Ray Block

Panel 40: Roundtable: Politicizing Disaster: The Politics of the Federal Response to Natural Disasters from Hurricanes Katrina to Hurricane Maria
Location:
Chair:

Albert Samuels, Southern University
Revathi Hines, Southern University
Leslie Taylor-Grover, Southern University
Melanie Johnson, Southern University
Patricia Smith, Southern University

Discussant:

Closing Lunch
Attorney Naomi Davis, President and Founder, Blacks in Green (BIG)
Action Steps and Moving Forward
Saturday, March 18th - 12:30pm
Saturday, March 17th - 2:30 – 5:00 pm -- Plenary Session

Community Forum on Redistricting and the 2018 Midterm Election
Location: DuSable Museum of African American History, 740 East 56th Place, Chicago, Illinois 60637

Khalilah Brown-Dean, Quinnipiac University
Niambi M. Carter, Howard University
Tyson King-Meadows, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC)
Stanley Watkins, Former Chief of Staff, Congressman Bobby Rush

Moderator: Valerie C. Johnson, DePaul University

Saturday, March 17th -- 5:30 pm – Until
Evening Outing

Norman’s Bistro, Sponsored by Dr. Charles V. Hamilton Institute
1001 East 43rd Street, Chicago, IL 60653