

2nd Annual Women in Legislative Studies Conference
Brown University
October 26-27, 2023

Thursday, Oct. 26

12:00-12:50pm

Workshop: The Long View on Publishing: What, When, Where

Location: Joukowsky

Sarah Treul (UNC Chapel Hill), Kathleen Dolan (UWisconsin-Milwaukee), Leslie Schwindt-Bayer (Rice University)

1:00-2:15pm

Panel T1: Comparative Legislative Behavior Location: McKinney

“Who Represents Women's Interests? A Text Analysis of Question Hour of Indian Legislature,” Komal Preet Kaur (University of Colorado Boulder)

“Who Fights Corruption? Evidence from the Argentine Chamber of Deputies,” Emily Elia (Rice University)

“Legislative Cooptation in Authoritarian Regimes: Policy Cooperation in the Kuwait National Assembly”, Erin York (Vanderbilt University)

Chair/Discussant: Gisela Sin (University of Illinois)

Discussant: Christina Xydias (Bucknell University)

Panel T2: Diversity and Representation in Legislatures Location: Joukowsky

“Here We Are: Black Women’s Experiences in Canadian Politics,” Erin Tolley (Carleton University)

“Bound Together: Exploring Racial Peer Effects and Caucus Control in the U.S. Congress,” Hunter Rendleman (Harvard University)

Chair/Discussant: Nadia Brown (Georgetown University)

Discussant: Sophia Jordan Wallace (University of Washington)

2:30-3:45pm

Panel T3: Campaign Strategy Location: McKinney

“The Mominees’ Dilemma: Balancing Maternal Identity, Race and Gender in a Congressional Campaign,” Michelle Irving (Rutgers University)

“Congressional Campaign Style and Bipartisan Tendencies,” Rachel Porter (University of Notre Dame) and Emily Ommundsen (UNC Chapel Hill)

Chair/Discussant: Kaitlin Sidorsky (Ramapo College)

Panel T4: Routes for Influence in Legislatures Location: Joukowsky

“Who Sets the Agenda?: Legislative Performance at the Intersection of Careers and Committees,” Paige Pellaton (UC Davis)

“The Power of Coalitions: Ideological Caucuses and Legislative Success,” Karra McCray Gibson (Brown University)

“Why Parties Can Benefit From Promoting Occupational Diversity in Legislatures,” Mia Costa (Dartmouth College)

Chair/Discussant: Jatia Wrighten (Virginia Commonwealth University)

Discussant: Laurel Harbridge-Yong (Northwestern University)

4:00-5:15pm

Panel T5: Legislative Influence Over Foreign & Military Policy Location: McKinney

“Divided We Stand: Partisan Control and U.S. Foreign Policy in Congress,” Guan Wang (University of Maryland College Park)

“Yes (but) Party: Legal Opposition in Congress during the Brazilian Military Regime,” Emilia Simison (Tulane University)

“Congress and Civil-Military Relations,” Katherine Kuzminski (Center for a New American Security)

Chair/Discussant: Noa Balf (Indiana University Bloomington)

Discussant: Sharece Thrower (Vanderbilt University)

Panel T6: State Legislative Politics Location: Joukowsky

“Overburdened or Underutilized: An Examination of Women's Committee Assignments in State Legislatures,” Tessa Provins (University of Pittsburgh)

“Testing a Compensation Hypothesis in Brazilian Federalism, 1889-2017,” Taeko Hiroi (The University of Texas at El Paso)

“The Partisan Politics of State Rainy Day Fund Investment,” Lauren Futter (Columbia University)

Chair/Discussant: Shannon Jenkins (UMass Dartmouth)

Discussant: Jennifer Lucas (Saint Anselm College)

6:30-8:30pm

Reception & Dinner

Location: Hope Club, 6 Benevolent Street, Providence

Friday, Oct. 27

9:00-10:15am

Panel F1: Policy, U.S. Congress, and Grant Making Location: McKinney

“Inequality Across Congressional Districts: Congressional Influence on Office on Violence Against Women Grants,” Kaitlin Sidorsky (Ramapo College) and Wendy Schiller (Brown University)

“Damages Denied: The Impact of ERISA’s Statutory Design on Patients’ Access to Health Care,” Miranda Yaver (Wheaton College)

“Get Organized, Get Energized”: Institutional Activism among Progressive Staff in Congress,” Catherine Wineinger (Western Washington University)

Chair/Discussant: Jen Selin (Penn State Law and Administrative Conference of the United States)

Discussant: Leah Rosenstiel (Vanderbilt University)

Panel F2: Communication Strategies by Legislators Location: Joukowsky

“Redefining “Local” in Congressional Communication: The Persistence (or Not) of Homestyles,” Stephanie Davis (University of Arkansas, Little Rock) and Annelise Russell (University of Kentucky)

“I Don’t Know Her: Advertising Collaborative Relationships on Congressional Twitter,” Alison Craig (University of Texas at Austin)

Chair/Discussant: Lindsey Cormack (Stevens Institute of Technology)

Discussant: Kathryn Pearson (University of Minnesota)

10:30-11:45am

Panel F3: Gender, IGs, and Legislatures Location: McKinney

“Money Please! Testing the Interest Group Connection,” Maggie Macdonald (University of Kentucky)

“When Do Rainbows Form? Public Demand for LGBTQ+ Rights, Electoral System, and LGBTQ+ Rights,” Yeon Soo Park (Texas A&M University)

“#MeToo and the Legacy of the US Women’s Movement,” Kristen Essel (Brown University)

Chair/Discussant: Ruth Bloch Rubin (University of Chicago)

Discussant: Sara Chatfield (University of Denver)

Panel F4: Gender and Legislative Workloads Location: Joukowsky

“Gender and the Effects of Term Limits and Part-time Status on Election to Higher Office,” Susan Miller (Arizona State University) and Katelyn Stauffer (University of

Georgia)

“Who Runs?,” Alejandra Campos (University of Arkansas)

Chair/Discussant: Kathleen Dolan (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)

12:00-1:15pm

Workshop: Reflections from Women in REP on Their Paths in Legislative Studies

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Paru Shah (Rutgers University/CAWP), Nadia Brown (Georgetown University), Sophia Jordán Wallace (University of Washington), Jennifer Garcia (Oberlin College)

Chair: Jamil Scott (Georgetown University)

1:30-2:45pm

Panel F5: Campaign Finance Location: McKinney

“Who Gets the Money? A study of voters' willingness to donate to candidates,” Kenicia Wright (Arizona State University)

“When Reelection Increases Unity and Cohesion: Evidence from Parties in Mexico,” Lucia Motolinia (Washington University St. Louis)

“Recruiting Women Legislators: Interactions between Women's Recruiting Groups and Political Parties,” Tracy Osborn (University of Iowa – Presenter) and Abby Matthews (SUNY Buffalo)

Chair/Discussant: Rosalyn Cooperman (University of Mary Washington)

Discussant: Kris Miler (University of Maryland)

Panel F6: Social Media and Reputation Building Location: Joukowsky

“Emergent Congressional Trust,” Jennifer Victor (George Mason University)

“Inside Congressional Committees: Function and Dysfunction in the Legislative Process,” Maya Kornberg (NYU Brennan Center for Justice)

“Implications of Policy Presentation: Powerful Leaders and Institutionalized Centralization,” SoRelle Gaynor (College of the Holy Cross)

Chair/Discussant: Molly Reynolds (Brookings)

Discussant: Sarah Binder (George Washington University/Brookings)

3:00-4:15pm

Panel F7: Comparative Parties and Campaigns Location: McKinney

“Women and Men Politicians' Responses to War: Evidence from Ukraine,” Taylor Damann (Washington University in St. Louis)

“Legislative Responsiveness and Local Media Decline,” Johanna Dunaway (Syracuse University)

Chair: Wendy Schiller (Brown University)

Discussant: Malliga Och (Denison University)

Panel F8: Public Opinion and Legislative Responsiveness Location: Joukowsky

“‘To Extricate the House’: Transatlantic Influences on Obstruction and Sanctions in the U.S. Congress,” Lauren Bell (Randolph-Macon College)

“Electoral Rule Changes and Opposition Power in Presidential Regimes,” Brenna Armstrong (Rice University) and Manuela Munoz Fuerte (Texas A & M)

“The Conditional Effects of National Parliamentary Involvement on Noncompliance,” Lauren Perez (Francis Marion University)

Chair: Ivy Hamerly (Baylor University)

Discussant: Andrea Aldrich (Yale University)

4:30-5:45pm

Workshop: Teaching, Service, Visibility Management

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