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8:00 - 8:45am | Grand Ballroom, Marvin Center

Breakfast and Welcome

Sean Twombly, Pi Sigma Alpha Executive Director
Rosalee Clawson, Purdue University,
Pi Sigma Alpha National President

8:45am - 10:15am | MC 301

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 1

Chair/Discussant: Courtney Blackington, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Testing Indian Democracy: The Fight for LGBTQ Equality in India
Tomas Lengel, University of Mary Washington

The Weaponization of Trauma and Narrative Identity as a Political Tool: India's Shift to Exclusive Nationalism
Zeba Kokan, Purdue University

The Effects of Decriminalization of Prostitution on Human Trafficking
Francesca McCallister, Purdue University

How a Hedgehog Can Work with a Fox; LGBTQ+ Rights Progression in Botswana and Namibia
Matthew Solomon, Saint Anselm College

8:45am - 10:15am | MC 302

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 2

Chair/Discussant: EB Pertner, George Washington University

Post-Conflict State Building in Kosovo and Eastern Ukraine
Julia Hanley, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

An Ideology of Convenience for Iranian Foreign Policy
Marc Maling, Temple University



US-Pakistan Relations & Pakistan's Religious Minorities: Deepening Disenchantment, 2008-2016
Erin Jenkins, Elon University

The Democratic Peace Theory and The State of Elective Governments
Sawyer Gilding, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

8:45am - 10:15am | MC 307
AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 1

Chair/Discussant: Cammie Bolin, Georgetown University

The Activist's Tale: Shifts in News Discourse Surrounding Handmaid Protests Over Time
Emily Provencher, Saint Anselm College

The Glass Ceiling's Influence on Role Models
Shayla Sanders, Oakland University

What Do You Think? An Analysis of Perceptions of Female Candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives
Ajay Gill, Oakland University

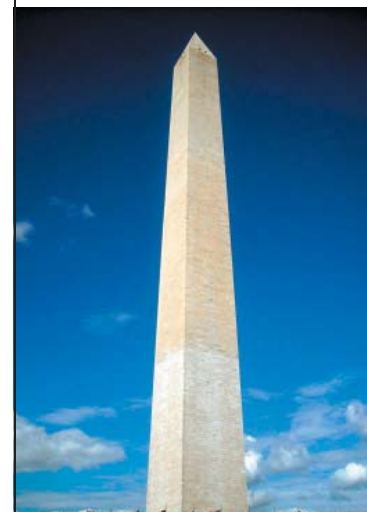
Why Women Run: Motivation, Leadership, and Policy Impact
Abby Korb, Ripon College

8:45am - 10:15am | MC 308
AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 2

Chair/Discussant: Jessica Keefe, George Washington University

Mobilizing Youth Voter Participation: Influences from Electoral Processes and a New Generation of Congressional Candidates
Allyson Parco, California State University, Northridge

Generational Attitudes Toward Climate Change
Kyle Peraino, Oakland University



Competing Concepts: The Impact of Differing Societal Values on Action to Address Climate Change in the United States
Alison Tinker, Westminster College

8:45am - 10:30am | MC 310

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 3

Chair/Discussant: Mark Berlin, George Washington University

Searching for Patterns in Aid Allocation to Post Civil War Countries
Francesca Bergeret, Mary Baldwin University

The De-legitimization of the U.S. Hegemony: How the Multi-Polarity of the Global Spectrum Could Usher in a New Age of Globalization

Adrian Ghainda, New Jersey City University

Haydee Soriano, New Jersey City University

FDI and Intellectual Property Regimes

Andrea Bauer, Temple University

The Future of the World Trade Organization: Did the WTO's Doha Development Round Have a Significant Impact on Global Trade?

Morgan Rowe, Temple University

8:45am - 10:30am | MC 311

PUBLIC POLICY SESSION 1

Chair/Discussant: Abu Bakkar Siddique, George Mason University

Economic Development in Urban versus Rural New York State Opportunity Zones

William McCann, Union College

More than Subsistence: The Role of Economic Research in Setting the Federal Minimum Wage

Brady Ryan, Bentley University



The European Union's Big Bang: Investment Banking in a post-Brexit world

Grace Spoerner, Purdue University

The Minimum Wage Index: The Wage Floor and Marginal Labor Production

Derek Caramella, Elmira College

The Arbitration Clause: The New Form of Trial

Natalia Villegas, California State University, Chico

8:45am - 10:30am | MC 403

PUBLIC POLICY SESSION 2

Chair/Discussant: Diliorah Arah, Howard University

The Opioid Epidemic: History and Stigmatization as an Impediment Towards Effective Policy Change

Emily Leibley, Lebanon Valley College

Let's Talk About Drugs: The Main Factor Contributing to the Opioid Crisis and its Impact on Public Policy

Kaitlyn Reed, Lebanon Valley College

Prison Farms and Prison Food Production: The New Form of Slavery?

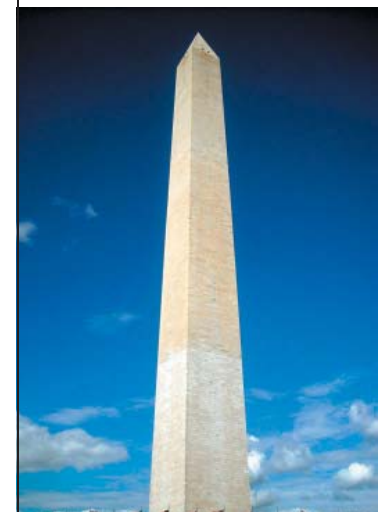
Nicole Hall, University of South Florida

Recidivism and Rehabilitation: Effectiveness of State Laws Regarding Prisoner Re-entry from 1991 to 2013

Tiana Herring, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

How to Defend Those Who Defend

Selma Newbill, University of Southern Mississippi



8:45am - 10:30am | MC 402-404
POLITICAL THEORY SESSION 1

Chair/Discussant: Nicholas Luettker, George Washington University

The Role of Artificial Intelligence in a Decentralized Democracy
Sebastian Aranguibel, Florida International University

Modern Applications of Machiavellian Thought to Contemporary Leadership Theory
Jakee Smith, University of Arkansas at Monticello

Charismatic Authority Leaders in the United States: Explaining Charisma and Why It Matters in Today's Social and Political Environment
Jane Wiesenberg, Union College

10:45am - 12:15pm | MC 301
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 4

Chair/Discussant: EB Pertner, George Washington University

Global Warming and Cultural Norms: Case Studies from the Pacific
Christopher Verrill, Wake Forest University

Who Said Money Can't Buy Everything? An Analysis of Market Ethics and the Commodification Debate
Sophie Brenits, University of Vermont

Authoritarianism and Environmental Policy Outcomes
Tate Volbrecht, Boise State University

The United Nations and Environmental Conservation
Aidan Burling, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee



10:45am - 12:15pm | MC 302

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 5

Chair/Discussant: Courtney Blackington, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Interviewer Gender Effects in the Afrobarometer Survey
Carla Garcia, University of Central Florida

Feminist Engagement in Contentious Politics in Iran
Amna Butt, Temple University

Women's Impact in Foreign Policy
Bianca Palese, Elmira College

Victimization of Bosnian Women in Post Conflict Discourse
Rebecca Jacobi, University of Mary Washington

10:45am - 12:15pm | MC 307

AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 3

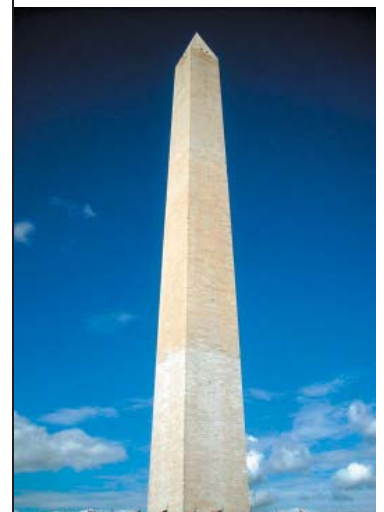
Chair/Discussant: Jessica Keefe, George Washington University

Political Protest and Legislative Outcomes: How Targeting Specific Members of Congress Can Influence Legislative Action
Olivia Bloss, University of Kentucky

Reporting on Mass Shootings: An Analysis of Emotional Language Used to Set the Scene
Sarah Johnson, Seton Hill University

Individual Traits and Trust in Government
Sara Goodno, Bentley University

Fearmongering: Uncovering United States' Politics
Morgan Rutkowski, Fort Lewis College



10:45am - 12:15pm | MC 308
AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 4

Chair/Discussant: Alexandra Kurtz, George Washington University

Presidential Power Reconsidered: A Contemporary Look at
Neustadtian Bargaining

Jeremy Engel, University of Mary Washington

Impeachment: A Look Into How Students View Impeachment and
the President

Hannah Reid, Purdue University

Mateo Ramirez, Purdue University

Amanda Shie, Purdue University

Emily Johnson, Purdue University

Can It Get Any Worse?: Impeachment and Polarization in the
Congress

Piper Horel, College of Charleston

Towards a Theory of Active Prerogative: Executive Pardons and
Rodney Reed's Case

Keera Annamaneni, Yale University

10:45am - 12:15pm | MC 310
AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 5

Chair/Discussant: Shannon McQueen, George Washington University

LGBTQ Rights—Why the Supreme Court Took the Wrong Ap-
proach in *Windsor*

Trueman Andrews-Gibson, University of Redlands

The Disappearance of the Establishment Clause: How Religion has
Surpassed Constitutional Authority in Regard to Women's Repro-
ductive Rights

Zetta Hamersley, Fort Hays State University

The Perspective of Chief Justice John Roberts

Luz Chavez-Gutierrez, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee



The Thomas-Hill and Kavanaugh-Ford Hearings: Partisanship and Perceptions of Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault from 1991- 2018

Nicole Newman, College of Saint Benedict

10:45am - 12:15pm | MC 311

PUBLIC POLICY SESSION 3

Chair/Discussant: Benjamin Fernandes, George Mason University

The Factors that Drive Support for Current and Future Space Exploration

Kayla Henneberry, Valdosta State University

Capital Punishment and College Educated Individuals: How Do College Educated Men and Women in the United States View the Ultimate Punishment?

Lucas Dombroski, Nova Southeastern University

The Aristotelian Essentialism in Deontological and Teleological Conceptions of Justice

Kris Nine, University of Vermont

National Culture and Urban Resilience: A Case Study of Resilient Cities

Madison Cilk, University of Vermont

10:45am - 12:15pm | MC 403

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 6

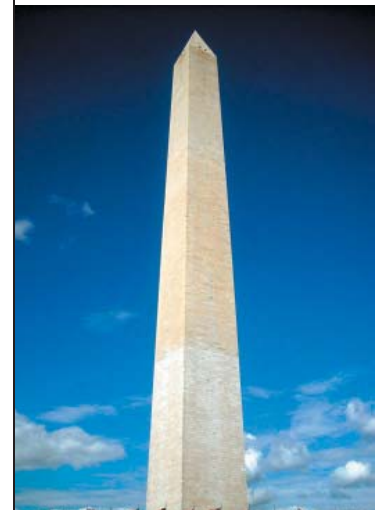
Chair/Discussant: Mark Berlin, George Washington University

Stability in the Midst of Uncertainty: The Case of Argentina

Moataz Abdelrasoul, Youngstown State University

Lessons from Bolivia: How the Country's Current Events are Affecting its Democracy

Eleni Gaqo, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee



Central Bank Independence & Developing Countries: Ecuador Case Study

Annie Reisenwitz, Temple University

Latin American Alignment Towards China Post-2000: Economic Partnership Understood Through Alignment Theory

Meagan Carmack, Drury University

**12:15 - 1:45pm | Grand Ballroom
Lunch & Speaker**

Maya Rockey Moore Cummings is president and CEO of Global Policy Solutions. After several stints in public service, including serving on the staff of the House Ways and Means Committee, as chief of staff for Congressman Charles Rangel (D-NY), and as vice president of research and programs at the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, she served as chairwoman of the Maryland Democratic Party. She is a member of Pi Sigma Alpha from her undergraduate days at Prairie View A&M University and earned a PhD in political science from Purdue University.



Lunch sponsored by the American Political Science Association

**2:00 - 3:30pm | MC 301
AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 6**

Chair/Discussant: Shannon McQueen, George Washington University

How Do Youth Use Snapchat for Political Purposes and What are the Ties between this use and Civic Engagement?

Jonathon Smith, Baldwin Wallace University

The Talk of 2016: Examining Speech Patterns of the Modern Day Electorate

Lauren Perez, University of Mary Washington



Defining What is Political and Why It Matters
Annie Jarman, Brigham Young University

Attack Advertisements, Subliminal Messaging, and their Effect on
Voter Decision Making
Adam Horey, Elmira College

2:00 - 3:30pm | MC 302
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 7

Chair/Discussant: Josiah Augustine, George Washington University

Immigration and the Promise of Democracy: How Democratic
States Respond to Immigrants and Define Citizenship
Natalie Hanson-Ross, California State University, Chico

Policy Implications of the New Refugee Regime
Alessandra Restifo, Temple University

International Neighbor Relations: Role on Domestic Immigration
Policy Restrictiveness
Candela Arias Perez, University of Kentucky

2:00 - 3:30pm | MC 307
PUBLIC POLICY SESSION 4

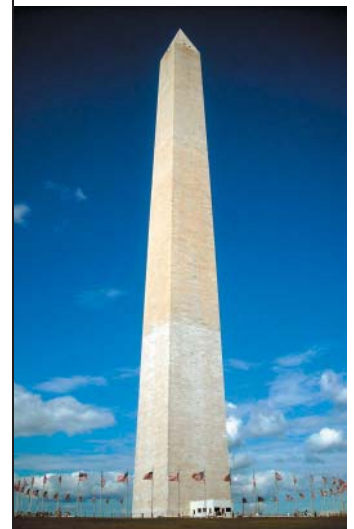
Chair/Discussant: Kelly Rolfes-Haase, Georgetown University

The Relationship Between Percentage of DACA Recipients & Sup-
port for Immigration Reform: A State by State Analysis
Alexis Benitez, East Central University

Trump v. Hawaii
Noah Logan, Lebanon Valley College

Joseph Carens and Trump's Immigration
Samantha Fritz, Youngstown State University

Attitudes Towards Accessible Healthcare for Undocumented People
in Michigan
Ella Lauer, Oakland University



2:00 - 3:30pm | MC 308
AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 7

Chair/Discussant: Alexandra Kurtz, George Washington University

Education about the Constitution in Virginia High Schools
Zachary Handlin, University of Mary Washington

Debate Education and Student Success: Evidence from Propensity
Score-Matching
Nathaniel Sweet, University of South Florida

No (Black) Child Left Behind
Tamia Baker-Johnson, Mary Baldwin University

The South Will Write Again: Drawing (and Redrawing) the Bound-
aries of the American South Through its Literature
Katherine Sittenauer, Drury University

2:00 - 3:30pm | MC 311
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 8

Chair/Discussant: Andrew Szarejko, Georgetown University

The Viability of Peace in Interstate and Intrastate Conflicts: An
Analysis on Approaches to Conflict Resolution
Hannah Yingst, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Anna Presnall, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Sadie Jones, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Genocide, Ethnic Cleansing, and the World- What Will Happen in
South Sudan?
Curtis Newton, University of New Hampshire

Identities Molded from Sand into Diamonds: An Analysis of Iden-
tity Mobilization and Development in the Western Sahara
Sarrah Chouiakh, Saint Anselm College

Is the United Nations a Helping Hand or Roadblock when Dealing
with International Conflict?
Isaiah Garcia, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee



2:00 - 3:30pm | MC 310
POLITICAL THEORY SESSION 2

Chair/Discussant: Courtney Kayser, George Mason University

Simultaneous No-fault Just Cause: Mistaken Pre-emptive War
Jacob Tomory, Youngstown State University

The Benefits of Living in the City: The Links among Urbanization, Toilet Access, and the Education of Girls in Africa
Jeffrey Shafer, East Central University

Through the Lens of Tolerance: Group Affect and Attitudes Towards Civil Liberties
Warisha Aslam, Purdue University

The Early Stages of Democratization in Elizabethan England: Gender, Legitimacy and Elite Distrust of Elizabeth I
Rebecca Shea, Saint Anselm College

The Political Thought of the UAE Founding
Gurgen Tadevosyan, New York University

2:00 - 3:30pm | MC 402-404
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 9

Chair/Discussant: Samer Anabtawi, George Washington University

Nightmares and Daydreams: Challenges Facing the Chinese Dream
Kyle Lehmann, University of Mary Washington

European Democracy in Decline: The Rise of Populism
Robert Herold II, Boise State University

Policy Memorandum on Brexit
Harrison Hemminghaus, The Citadel



3:45 - 5:30pm | MC 301

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 10

Chair/Discussant: Andrew Szarejko, Georgetown University

Battling the Contagion: The Salafi-Jihadist Threat & Countering the Ideology

Muhammad Khan, DePaul University

Revised Protocols for CIA/Military Drone Operations

Maryum Qasim, Connecticut College

Orientalism in America: A Post 9/11 Analysis of the Theory's Relevance

Belen Rodriguez, Florida International University

3:45 - 5:30pm | MC 302

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 11

Chair/Discussant: Josiah Augustine, George Washington University

Regional Luck: Explaining Variation in the Effectiveness of Western Aid through Linkage and Leverage

Christina Walker, Oakland University

Exploring Corruption in Post-communist States

Danylo Leshchyshyn, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Chinese Use of the AIIB to Achieve Policy Goals

Isabel Wallace, St. Olaf College

I-Change, You Change, We All Change Policy? E-Petition Platforms in the Republic of Georgia

Elizabeth Sutterlin, College of William & Mary

Elizabeth Miller, College of William & Mary



3:45 - 5:30pm | MC 307
AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 8

Chair/Discussant: Kelly Rolfes-Haase, Georgetown University

Analyzing The Rise of Latina Activism in Florida
Beatriz Zafra, University of South Florida

Motivated Reasoning and Political Decision Making
Elizabeth Baughman, DePaul University

The Impact of Race on Voting
Colleen Dietz, Bellarmine University
Anna Nars, Bellarmine University

How Jews Vote: Examining Demographic, Religious, and Cultural Explanations of American Jewish Political Behavior
Naomi Forman-Katz, Smith College

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POLITICAL THEORY SESSION 3

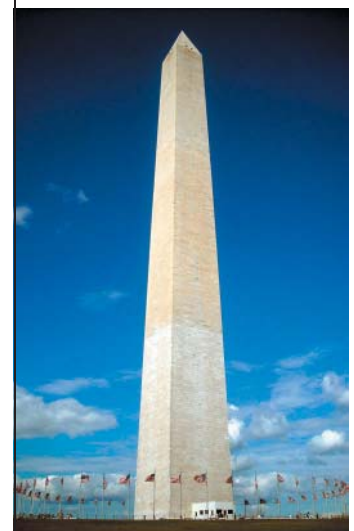
Chair/Discussant: Nicholas Luettker, George Washington University

What makes people engage in political behaviors?
Abigail Hill, Bentley University

Body as Boundary
Makayla Salas, University of Vermont

Justice Beyond Gender: Revisionist Conceptions of the Family in Liberal Thought
Kacy Lane, University of Vermont

Can you have your Cake and Eat it Too? Finding a Middle Ground in the Masterpiece Cakeshop Case
Christine Hysell, University of Redlands



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AMERICAN POLITICS SESSION 9

Chair/Discussant: Daniel Ziebarth, George Washington University

Open Secrets: A Look into the Staffers of the 2019 Michigan House of Representatives

Johnathon Wertheimer, Oakland University

Political Polling: Misleading or Misunderstood

Hannah Ray, Ohio Northern University

The Effects of the Electoral College on Representation and Voter Turnout

Ruth Herman, East Central University

An irrational working-class in America and its effects on political representation

Brandon Lamberty, Temple University

3:45 - 5:30pm | MC 311
PUBLIC POLICY SESSION 5

Chair/Discussant: Courtney Kayser, George Mason University

Personal and Political Connections are Premium: An Assessment of Mandatory Waiting Periods in the American States

Brittany Head, Butler University

Guilty of Genocide? Case Study Analysis of the 1984 Anti-Sikh Pogroms

Jaskaran Singh, California State University, Fresno

The Decline of The State Department: An Attack on American Diplomacy

Koby Townsend, Huntingdon College

Police Officers' Perceptions on Human Trafficking: A Look at Level and Quality of Human Trafficking Education

Melinda Movius, Oakland University



3:45 - 5:30pm | MC 403

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/COMPARATIVE SESSION 12

Chair/Discussant: Samer Anabtawi, George Washington University

International Criminal Law and Non-Compliance: A Case Study of the Yemen Crisis

Quincy Standage, Drury University

The Decline of Conventional War: How International Law Manages Non-Linear Threats

Sage Hagan, California State University, Chico

Demise in Damascus: The Syrian Economy

Emily Ryan, Emmanuel College

An Indirect Effect on Human Rights: US Foreign Aid's Influence on Judicial Independence

Bushra Bani-Salman, University of Kentucky



STUDENT BIOS

Moataz Abdelrasoul is a senior at Youngstown State University, where he is studying political science with a focus on legal studies. He is the president of the Alpha Alpha Rho chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha at Youngstown State. He will be graduating in May and looks forward to entering law school upon graduation.

Trueman Andrews-Gibson is a junior at the University of Redlands, where he is double-majoring in political science and philosophy. He is the captain of the mock trial team and an editor of the student news publication, *The Redlands Bulldog*. After graduation, Trueman expects to attend law school to one day become a trial attorney.

Keera Annamaneni is a senior at Yale University, where she is studying political theory and human rights. She was the editor-in-chief of *The Politic*, Yale's political and cultural publication, and the managing editor of *The Yale Historical Review*. She ultimately hopes to receive a PhD in political theory.

Sebastian Aranguibel is a senior at Florida International University, where he will graduate with a major in political science and a minor in international relations. In addition to Pi Sigma Alpha, he is involved with Sigma Iota Rho, the international relations honor society. After graduation, he hopes to work in Washington before pursuing a PhD and focus on democracy.

Candela Arias Perez is a senior at the University of Kentucky, where she studies international relations and political science with a focus on international law and human rights. She has been involved in different on-campus organizations, such as Leading Women of Tomorrow, and served as a resident advisor. She is currently completing an international business internship at Valvoline, Inc. She is very passionate about international law and hopes to enter law school after she graduates.

Warisha Aslam is a junior at Purdue University, where she is majoring in political science and minoring in

psychology. She is an editor for the *Journal of Purdue Undergraduate Research* and an intercultural communications partner for the College of Liberal Arts. Warisha aspires to attend law school after graduation and hopes to run for political office in the future.

Tamia Baker-Johnson is a senior at Mary Baldwin University pursuing degrees in political science and economics. She is student government president and vice president of the Pi Sigma Alpha chapter. Tamia would like to teach English overseas and ultimately attend the London School of Economics to conduct education policy research in propulsion of African-American communities.

Bushra Bani-Salman is a senior at the University of Kentucky, where she is studying political science with a focus on international studies and a certification in peace studies. She is head of campus outreach for Pi Sigma Alpha, head of the political science student advisory group, and group coordinator of Amnesty International on campus. She hopes to master in foreign service or foreign policy at a graduate school in Washington, DC while working in research or foreign policy.

Andrea Bauer is a senior at Temple University majoring in political science and secondary education and minoring in economics. She is currently a student-teacher in the School District of Philadelphia and plans to teach high school after she graduates. She also hopes to attend graduate school in the near future.

Liz Baughman is a senior at DePaul University, where she studies political science and philosophy. She fundraising chair for the Eta Gamma chapter of Phi Sigma Pi, a member of the Pi Sigma Alpha, and a peer research tutor at the DePaul Richardson library. She will be traveling to Thailand to teach English and sustainable building practices over the summer and continue clerking for Adelman & Gettleman, a professional corporation, before entering law school in the fall.

Alexis Benitez is a senior at East Central University, where he is major-

ing in political science. He serves as president of the Student Government Association on campus. He is currently interning for Senator James Lankford and will be attending law school in Fall 2020.

Francesca Bergeret-Simpson is a senior at Mary Baldwin University, where she is studying political science and economics with a focus on international development. She is the president of the Alpha Kappa Gamma chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha and helping to increase civic engagement on her campus. Francesca is currently an economic development intern with Shenandoah Valley Partnership and hopes to begin law school this coming fall.

Olivia Bloss is a senior at the University of Kentucky, where she studies political science and international studies. She has previously interned in Washington under Congressman Sanford Bishop. Olivia is currently interning with the Disney College Program in Orlando and hopes to pursue a graduate degree in public policy after she graduates.

Sophie Brenits is a senior in the Honors College at the University of Vermont, where she is majoring in political science and double minoring in environmental studies and gender, sexuality & women's studies. She currently serves as a resident counselor for the Northern Lights branch of the Howard Center, where she works with women under supervision of the Vermont Department of Corrections to help them transition from incarceration back into the community. She hopes to continue working in community-oriented jobs upon graduating.

Aidan Burling is a junior at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, where he is studying political science. He is a new member of Pi Sigma Alpha and plans to run for office in UWM's chapter next fall. He hopes to attend graduate school after graduation.

Amna Butt is a senior at Temple University, where she is majoring in political science with a minor in English. She is currently interning at the

University of Pennsylvania Think Tanks and Civil Society Program. After graduation, she hopes to pursue academia and apply to graduate schools.

Derek Caramella is a junior at Elmira College, where he is studying economics, business administration and political science with a concentration in public affairs. He is a research and development assistant at Pladis Global, where he helps to construct databases and information systems. He hopes to enter graduate school for data science after graduation.

Meagan Carmack is a senior at Drury University, where she is studying political science with a focus on research methods and comparative politics. She is the president of the Omega Eta chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha. She will enroll in a PhD program in political methodology and comparative politics in Fall 2020 and hopes to become a professor.

Luz Chavez-Gutierrez is a senior at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, where she is studying political science, with an emphasis on law studies, and minoring in Spanish. She is the president of the Epsilon Xi chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha. She will be taking a gap year before pursuing law school.

Sarah Chouiakh is a senior at Saint Anselm College, where she is majoring in international relations and minoring in French. She is the vice president of the International Relations Club and was inducted into Pi Sigma Alpha in Spring 2019. After graduation Sarah hopes to take a gap year to gain professional experience before she applies to master's programs.

Madison Cilk is a senior in the Honors College at the University of Vermont. She studies environmental sustainability and political science. Following graduation, she hopes to attend graduate school in the Netherlands to study earth system governance.

Colleen Dietz is a senior at Bellarmine University, where she is studying political science, history and English. She is the secretary of Pi Sigma Alpha at Bellarmine. She is extremely involved

within the international student population on campus and serves as the director of the Global Peer Mentor Program. She is also the captain of the Bellarmine club swim team and the president of Bellarmine's chapter of the ONE Campaign. Colleen plans to work in higher education when she graduates. Her dream is to either go to law school or become active within international affairs.

Lucas Dombroski is a junior studying political science and legal studies at Nova Southeastern University. He is a member of the Pi Sigma Alpha and Alpha Chi national honors societies. After graduation, he hopes to attend law school.

Jeremy Engel is a senior at the University of Mary Washington, where he is studying political science with a focus in American government. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and a research associate at Mary Washington's Center for Leadership & Media Studies. He currently works as a part-time intern in the office of Congressman Jamie Raskin and hopes to study constitutional law after he graduates.

Naomi Forman-Katz is a senior at Smith College, where she is studying government with a minor in statistical & data sciences. She has spent her summers interning in the Massachusetts State House, with reproductive freedom advocacy organization NARAL Pro-Choice Massachusetts, and with the Democratic political consulting group New Chicago Consulting. She hopes to pursue progressive political advocacy after she graduates.

Samantha Fritz is a senior at Youngstown State University, where she is studying philosophy and political science. She is heavily involved with YSU's moot court and ethics bowl teams. She hopes to enter into a dual JD/PhD program in philosophy, with a focus on political philosophy.

Eleni Gaqo is a senior at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, where she is double-majoring in political science (with a law studies emphasis) and German and minoring in Spanish. She is the communications director of

the Epsilon Xi chapter and a member of the National German Honor Society. She immigrated recently to the US from Greece and she speaks five languages. She is a volunteer paralegal at her university's legal clinic and her future plans include attending law school after graduation and learning languages.

Carla Garcia is a senior at the University of Central Florida, where she is studying political science and economics, with a focus on the political economy of the Global South. She is the vice president of the International Relations Club at UCF and a teaching assistant in the economics department. She has recently applied to PhD programs in political science and plans to begin graduate school this fall.

Isaiah Garcia-Morton is a junior at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, where he is studying political science with a minor in history. He serves on the Academic Misconduct Hearing Committee. Upon graduation he hopes to attend law school.

Adrian Ghainda is a senior at New Jersey City University, where he is studying political science, with a focus on international relations, and pre-law. He is the operations officer of the Pi Sigma Alpha chapter on campus. He is a seasoned competitor in school-wide competitions, having participated at the National Model United Nations Conference as NJCU's Head Delegate. He hopes to enter graduate school to study international relations.

Sawyer Gilding is a senior at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, where he is studying international relations with a minor in political science. He is the vice president of the Epsilon Xi chapter. He will be working with the census, as well as at the DNC, and is planning on attending graduate school after graduation.

Ajay Gill is a senior at Oakland University, where he studies American political science, economics, French and history. He served as president of the Nu Omega chapter last year. He is currently working on a thesis examining the role of the media in Michigan's

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ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF PI SIGMA ALPHA

In December 1919, members of the government department at the University of Texas, Austin gathered for their monthly faculty meeting. In addition to traditional business, the concept of a new political science honor society emerged. The task was handed to Professor C. Perry Patterson and over the course of the next year he set the foundation for what was to become Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society.

The Alpha chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha was formally chartered in October 1920. The first class of members were undergrads and graduate students and included a future Supreme Court Justice and U.S. Attorney General, a future U.S. Ambassador, a handful of future attorneys, and a number of other interesting individuals. Patterson set out to build the organization and added the University of Oklahoma (Beta) and the University of Kansas (Gamma) the following year. By end of the decade 14 chapters had emerged. Patterson served as president of the organization until 1932 and remained a driving force around its expansion.

Today, Pi Sigma Alpha hosts chapters on nearly 850 campuses and has inducted more than 300,000 members. Its rolls feature national, state, and local political leaders. Through these 100 years there have been many changes but neither the mission of the organization or the quality of the young men and women inducted has changed. Each year those who have achieved academic excellence are inducted and display the same passion for politics and policy. Like those who first joined, today's student strives to uphold the purpose of Pi Sigma Alpha first described in 1919: "to encourage the scientific and practical study of problems of government, to foster reforms in our governmental machinery, and to aid in the education of the electorate in problems of government."



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