

Minnesota Political Science Association Annual Meeting

November 7, 2009

*Gorecki Dining & Conference Center
College of Saint Benedict
Saint Joseph, Minnesota*

Schedule

8:30 - 10:00

**Registration with Continental Breakfast
Student Poster Session
(Gorecki, Second Floor Lobby)**

We encourage attendees to register early in order to have time to interact with students displaying their research at the poster session.

10:00 - 11:15

**Panel 1A: International Relations and Comparative Politics (Gorecki 204 A)
Chair: Michelle Hammes, St. Cloud State University**

"The Clash of Culture with Justice: Cambodia's Problematic 'Patron-Client' System"
Mark Halverson-Wente, Rochester Community and Technical College

"Dangers Threatening the Stability of Lebanon's Second Republic"
Aref Hassan, St. Cloud State University

"The Rise of Regional Political Parties in India"
Arijit Mazumdar, University of St. Thomas

"'Political Entitlement' and Democratic Governance in Ghana: 1992-2009"
Morgan Nyendu, St. Cloud State University

**Panel 1B: National Issues in the Age of Obama (Gorecki 204 B)
Panel Chair: Andra Crull, North Hennepin Community College**

"Immigration Reform and the Influence of 'Strange Bedfellows' Coalitions on Immigration Policymaking in the Post-9/11 Political Environment"

Terry M. Louie, Senior Attorney, Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Adjunct Professor, William Mitchell College of Law

Mary Schmidt, Department of Employment and Economic Development, Minnesota

Roger Rose, University of Minnesota, Morris

11:30 - 1:00

Luncheon (Gorecki 204 C)

Keynote: “Doorstep Democracy: Candidate Doorknocking as Civic Engagement”

Professor James Read, College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University

1:15 - 2:30

Panel 2: Roundtable: A Look Inside Minnesota Politics (Gorecki 204 A)

Panel Chair: Sheri Breen, University of Minnesota, Morris

Paula O'Loughlin, University of Minnesota, Morris

Dan Hofrenning, St. Olaf College

Tom Scheck, Minnesota Public Radio

Rachel Stassen-Berger, Minnesota Star-Tribune

2:30 – 2:45

Refreshments

2:45 - 4:00

Panel 3: Teaching and the Profession (Gorecki 204 A)

Panel Chair: Mark Johnson, Minnesota State Community & Technical College

“Great Literature and the Social Scientist”

Steven Douglas Maloney, University of St. Thomas

“Using Simulations in Political Science and General Education Courses”

Neal Allen, College of St. Benedict and St. John's University

“Teaching Social Sciences in the Two-Year College Environment”

Mark Lynn Johnson, Minnesota State Community and Technical College

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Driving Directions:

<http://www.csbsju.edu/about/directions/>

Campus Map (with parking directions):

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