





American Politics Group of the UK Political Studies Association

46th Annual Conference, 3-5 January 2020, University of Kent

Programme

Friday 3 January

2.30 - 5.00pm: Conference Registration

Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Library

3.00 - 4.15pm Canterbury Cathedral Tour

Assemble in Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Library

5.00 - 6.00pm: Wine reception

Room: Kentish Barn

6.00 - 7.30pm: John D. Lees Memorial Lecture

Dr Brian Klaas, University College London, "The Despot's Apprentice: Democracy and Authoritarianism in the Era of Trump"

Room: Kentish Barn

7.45pm: Conference Dinner

Venue: Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Refectory Restaurant

Breakfast on Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 January

Breakfast for those staying overnight will be served between 08.00 to 10.30am in Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Refectory Restaurant. Full hot and cold menus available. Table service.

Saturday 4 January						
Session 1 09.15 – 10.45	Elections I Room: Kentish Barn, Simpson Chair: Laura Skillen (University of Kent at Brussels)					
	David Anderson (University of Durham), "Reporting an attack: Partisanship, media framing and public perception of negative campaign attacks"					
	Kevin Fahey (University of Cardiff), "Financial gains, legislative effectiveness, and electoral politics: How legislators make money and (don't) suffer the consequences"					
	Rodrigo Praino (Flinders University), "Millennials and Magic Grandads: Do Young Voters Support Older Men at the Ballot Box? The Case of Bernie Sanders"					
10.45 – 11.00	Break: Tea and Coffee					
Session 2 11.00 – 12.45	The Presidency I Room: Kentish Barn, Simpson Chair: Lee Marsden (University of East Anglia)					
	Laura Skillen (University of Kent at Brussels), "Building walls w blame: self-victimisation and the politics of blame under Trum					
	Jon Herbert (Keele University), "Memorialisation and Presidential Reputation in Presidential Rhetoric: The Case of LBJ"					
	Tom Packer (University College London), "The 'New Nationalism' and American Conservatism"					
	Matthew Jones (University of Hull), "Presidential sovereignty: Trump, travel bans and the (il)liberal-democratic iterations of Carl Schmitt"					
12.45 – 14.00	Break: Lunch Room: Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Refectory Restaurant					
Session 3 14.00 – 15.30	A. Foreign Policy 1 Room: Kentish Barn, Simpson Chair: Amy Tatum (Bournemouth University)	B. The Courts and the Rule of Law Room: Kentish Barn, Canterbury Chair: Jonathan Rodwell (Manchester Metropolitan University)				
	Adam Boon (Queen Mary), "'It's the easiest job in the world because I make all the decisions':	Jak Allen (University of Kent), "Political Judging and Judicial				

Session 5 17.30 – 18.30 Saturday Evenir	Annual General Meeting Room: Kentish Barn, Simpson ng: Free. Dinner venue(s) to be suggest	red
Session 4 15.45 – 17.15	A. Foreign Policy II Room: Kentish Barn, Simpson Chair: Josephine Harmon (University College London) Tim Lynch (University of Melbourne), "Trump and the Cold War Shadow" Jonathan Rodwell (Manchester Metropolitan University), "Hell is truth seen too late": The Ongoing Poverty of Theory in Research in US Foreign Policy" Ben Abrams (UCL), "The Tacit Authoritarian Pact: Mechanisms of Informal US Foreign Policy Support for Democratic Downgrading"	B. Institutions, Structures and Policy Outcomes Room: Kentish Barn, Canterbury Chair: Phil Davies (De Montfort University) Kelli Kennedy (University of York) "Food Insecurity under Neoliberal Austerity: An Examination of Policies in Post-Financial Crash UK and US" Ben Radcliff (University of Notre Dame) and Alexander Pacek (Texas A&M University), "Direct Democracy and Quality of Life Across the American States" Daniel Beland, Phil Rocco and Alex Waddan (University of Leicester), "The Affordable Care Act in the States: Fragmented Politics, Unstable Policy"
15.30 – 15.45	through an historical lens" Andrew Payne (University of Oxford), "A Ridiculously Political World': Partisan Politics and American Civil-Military Relations in the Iraq War" Jakob Wiedekind (Leibniz University), "The Impact of Executive Messages to Congress: A New Measure of Presidential Power in Foreign Policy" Break: Tea and Coffee Room: TBC	Josephine Harmon (University College London), "The Mechanisms Enabling Conservative Interest Group Coalition in Second Amendment Litigation at the US Supreme Court" Peter Finn (Kingston University), "The Mueller Investigation, the Official Record and the Rule of Law"
	The National Security Adviser's role in the Trump White House	Restraint: The Case of Learned and Augustus Hand"

Sunday 5 January					
Session 6 09.15 – 11.00	Elections II Room: Kentish Barn, Simpson Chair: Peter Finn (Kingston University)	Trade Room: Kentish Barn, Canterbury Chair: Jon Herbert (Keele University)			
	Lee Marsden (University of East Anglia), "'If you have a problem with who I am, your problem is not with me. Your quarrel, sir, is with my creator'"	Tom Wraight (Copenhagen Business School), "Confronting Trade Enemies Across the Pacific: American Trade Strategy Towards Japan and China compared"			
	John Berg (Suffolk University), "The Green New Deal and the Democratic Presidential Campaign of 2020"	Eddie Ashbee (Copenhagen Business School), "US policy responses to China's Belt & Road Initiative"			
	Amy Tatum (Bournemouth University), "Such a Nasty Woman' – An Exploration of the Barriers Facing Women as Political Leaders using the Case Study of Hillary Rodham Clinton in 2016"	Steve Hurst (Manchester Metropolitan University) and Eddie Ashbee (Copenhagen Business School), "US Trade Policy, Institutional Resilience and Policy Formation"			
		Rubrick Biegon (University of Kent), "US Hegemony and the Trans-Pacific Partnership: Consensus, Crisis, and Common Sense"			
11.00 – 11.15	Break: Tea and Coffee Room TBC				
Session 7 11.15 – 12.45	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,				
	Eddie Ashbee (Copenhagen Business School) Jon Herbert (Keele University) Alex Waddan (University of Leicester) Andrew Wroe (University of Kent)				
12.45 – 14.00	End: Lunch and Post-graduate Paper Prize Announcement Room: Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Refectory Restaurant				