

University of Southern Indiana

Carter Hall | University Center West
8600 University Boulevard
Evansville, IN 47712

8 a.m. – 10 a.m. **Registration and Breakfast | Carter Hall Concourse**

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **Presentations, Session I**

Carter Hall A International Politics: Pensions, Power, and Liberation Theology

The Future of Liberation Theology: Why Should the Nations Be Glad?

Marianne Richardson, Butler University

The Six Day War: Expanding the Application of the Power Transition Theory

Derek Freds, University of Indianapolis

Equity Issues in Pension Reform: The Gender Impact of Multi-Pillar Pension Systems in Central and Eastern Europe

Oana Armeanu, University of Southern Indiana

Chair: Charles Barber, University of Southern Indiana

Carter Hall B Urban Politics and Development

A Persistent Academic Achievement Gap

Emily Meyer, University of Southern Indiana

States, the Affordable Care Act, and the People

Samantha Schu, University of Southern Indiana

Getting to Development: A Process of Rebuilding a Community in Henderson, KY

Taylor Gogel, University of Southern Indiana

Chair: Paul Raymond, University of Southern Indiana

Carter Hall C Theory, Theater, and the Law

Orestes Brownson and the issue of the 14th Amendment

Stephen Clouse, IPFW

Honor and Rebellion in the Theater: Beaumarchais, Mozart, and Figaro

Robert Fenton, Butler University

The Law and Order Mentality: Foucault's Panopticism and the U.S. Security State

Justin Clark, Indiana University - Kokomo

Collingwood & Nozick: How Libertarianism Becomes the Road to Liberal Civilization

Maurice Eisenstein, Purdue University – Calumet

Chair: Jean Poulard, Indiana University – Northwest

10 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Presentations, Session II

Carter Hall A Human Security in the Occupied Palestinian State: Israeli Military Orders and their Impact on the Needs of the People of Palestine – A Panel Discussion

Presented by students from Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville

Natural Resources, David Eldridge

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, Matthew Boyer

Education, Erin Gross

Economics, Brian Skorczewski

Chair: Denise DeGarmo, Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville

Carter Hall B International Politics: Terrorism, Dictatorship, and the Economic Lexicon

Designing a Nation: The United States' Role in the Constitutional Foundations of a Society

Kathryn Replogle, St. Mary's College

The Liberal and Illiberal Legacies of Democracy and Dictatorship: How Past Experiences with Democracy and Dictatorship Have Affected the Liberal Quality of Contemporary Latin American Democracies (1978-2004)

Wynard Kastart, Indiana University

Heel Height: A Global Economic Lexicon

Lindsey Weiss, Butler University

Chair: Agber Dimah, Chicago State University

Carter Hall C Public Administration: Hazards, Development, and Human Capital

Incorporating Systems Theory Analysis of Hazards and Hazard Mitigation on the Lower Mississippi River

Linda Bailey, University of Louisville

Analyzing Regional Development Policy: A Comparative Case Study Approach

Eric Yankson, University of Louisville

The Importance of Job Analysis, Recruitment and Selection, and Performance Evaluation by Human Resource Managers within Public and Nonprofit Organizations

Elvis Asorwoe, Indiana State University

Without Bias: Government Policy that Creates Fair and Equitable Tax Assessments

Matthew Hanka, University of Southern Indiana

Chair: Peter Whiting, University of Southern Indiana

11:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Keynote Luncheon & Business Meeting | Carter Hall D

A Paper in Honor of Elinor and Vincent Ostrom:

Polycentricity and State-Centered Federalism among the Yoruba of Nigeria

Dr. Oyebade Kunle Oyerinde, Indiana Wesleyan University

Why do some federal political systems manage to achieve mutually productive ways of life while others do not? This study argues that core organizing principles are an important factor. It finds that federal political systems with stronger polycentric values of personal equality supportive of many autonomous and overlapping jurisdictions sized to public goods, as opposed to values of subordination and supreme authority, tend to experience mutually productive ways of life.

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Presentations, Session III

Carter Hall A Education: From Pedagogy to Higher Education

Land Grant Gone Wrong: The Problem with Higher Education Specialization
Christopher Kulesza, Purdue University

Civic Engagement, Inter-Culturalism, and Globalism: Taylor University's Recipe for Enhancing the Political Science and Inter-Cultural Studies' Learning Curve
Stephen M. King, Taylor University

Application & Professionalization: Using Service Learning Projects to Teach Research Methods

Mary Hallock Morris, University of Southern Indiana

Chair: Thomas Buchanan, Ancilla College

Carter Hall B Political Behavior and Social Constructs

The Psychology of Tolerance: The Psychological Antecedents of Political Tolerance and the Role of Religion

Marie Eisenstein, Indiana University - Northwest

Honorable Societal Constructs: Implications for Elitists Communities and the Rest of the Masses

Kirstie Dobbs, Butler University

Political Views of Sub-Saharan African Immigrants in the Indianapolis Metropolitan Area

Ramla Bandele, IUPUI

Chair: Andrew Downs, IPFW

Carter Hall C Comparative Politics: Sustainable Development, Food Insecurity, & Territorial Disputes

Foucault in Africa: Biopower Under Conditions of Food Insecurity, Conflict and Resettlement

Sterling Recker, University of Missouri - St Louis

Sino-African Economic Relations and Sustainable Development

Agber Dimah, Chicago State University

Social Heterogeneity and Land Rights Transformation

Oyebade Kunle Oyerinde, Indiana Wesleyan University

Principled Negotiation in Practice: An Exploration of the Minerva Reef Territorial Dispute Between Tonga and Fiji

Emily Maiden, University of Louisville

Co-Chairs: Ramona Harvey & Mary Hallock Morris, University of Southern Indiana

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Afternoon Snacks | Carter Hall Concourse

3 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Presentations, Session IV

Carter Hall A Analyzing Public Policies: From Law and Order to Disability Services

Trafficking Victims Protection Act: Ground-Breaking Policy or a Quick Fix?

Amanda Kloepfel, University of Southern Indiana

Analyzing Public Policies, Continued ...

Reclaiming the American Dream: Examination of the FBI FIFU Division within the IAD Framework

Patrick Exmeyer, University of Southern Indiana

A Case Study: Current Policies for Job Seekers with Disabilities

Janis Du Bois, University of Southern Indiana

Chair: Peter Whiting, University of Southern Indiana

Carter Hall B Global Violence and Terrorism

A Posthumanist Perspective to See if Social Media will be a Catalyst to Reduce Global Violence

Needa Malik, Butler University

Region in Question

Donnie Gaston, University of Evansville

Counterterrorism and the United States: A Review of Literature

Patricia Tieken, University of Southern Indiana

Chair: Ellen Topper, University of Southern Indiana

Carter Hall C American Politics: Elections and Appropriations

Electoral College Reform

Julie Blaharski, St. Mary's College

The Significance of Divided Government on Legislative Deliberation: The Appropriations Process

Pamela Schaal, St. Mary's College

Do Voting Booths Matter? A Natural Experiment with College Voters

Nicholas LaRowe & Melinda Roberts, University of Southern Indiana

The Effects of Campaign Visits During the Presidential Primaries

Samuel Borders, T.J. Pearson, Laurie Rice, & Robert Wann,
Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville

Chair: Nicholas Wildeman, University of Southern Indiana

Thank You!

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