THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021, PANEL SCHEDULE

10 - 11:45 a.m. (EDT) – THE PUBLIC AND PARTISAN POLARIZATION
Moderator: John Green, The University of Akron

Peak Polarization: Ideological Division, Inter-Party Hostility and the Future of American Democracy
Alan I. Abramowitz, Emory University

#Polarized2020: Division and Duress in Partisan Perceptions of COVID-19
Eric C. Vorst, University of Missouri-St. Louis, and Thomas Leath, Lindenwood University

The Influence of Party ID on COVID-19 Messaging
Lara Wessel, Georgia Southern University

Political Identity and Beliefs about Stolen Elections in the American Electorate
David C. Kimball, Anita Manion, and Adriano Udani, University of Missouri-St. Louis

12 - 1:45 p.m. (EDT) – PARTY NOMINATIONS
Moderator: David Cohen, The University of Akron

The Consequences of Changing Primary Participation Laws for Party Registration and Partisanship
Barbara Norrander, University of Arizona and Jay Wendland, Daemen College

The Effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Changing Electoral Rules in the 2020 Presidential Nomination
Caitlin E. Jewitt, Virginia Tech, and Gregory Shufeldt, University of Indianapolis

U.S. Primary Election Competitiveness 2010-2020
Chapman Rackaway, Radford University

What do the 2020 Congressional Primaries Tell Us About the Direction of the Democratic and Republican Parties?
Robert G. Boatright, Clark University
2 - 3:45 p.m. (EDT) – STATE OF THE PARTIES
Moderator: John Green, The University of Akron

The 2020 Elections: An Era of Unstable Majorities Continues
Morris P. Fiorina, Stanford University

The Public versus the Activists: Party Structure in Modern American Politics
Byron Shafer, University of Wisconsin, and Regina Wagner, University of Alabama

The Grand New Party: The Republican Party in an Era of Change
Brian J. Brox, Tulane University

Support for Ranked Choice Voting and Partisanship of Voters: Results from a National Survey Experiment
Joseph Anthony, Oklahoma State University, David C. Kimball, University of Missouri St. Louis, Jamil Scott, Georgetown University, and Jack Santucci, Drexel University

4 - 5:45 p.m. (EDT) – GEOGRAPHY AND PARTISAN POLARIZATION
Moderator: Ken Miller, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

State-Level Elected Officials, National Party Organizations, and Partisan Polarization in 2020
Anthony Sparacino, University of Richmond

The Rise of the Unaffiliated Registered Voter in North Carolina
Michael Bitzer, Catawba College, Christopher Cooper, Western Carolina University, Whitney Ross Manzo, Meredith College, and Susan Roberts, Davidson College

Blue Metros, Red States: The Geography of the 2020 Vote in the Swing States
David F. Damore, Robert E. Lang, and Karen A. Danielsen, UNLV

Turning the Natural State Red: The Rise of the GOP in Arkansas
John C. Davis, University of Arkansas at Monticello
STATE OF THE PARTIES VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021, PANEL SCHEDULE

10 - 11:45 (EDT) – TRUMPING THE PARTY?
Moderator: Matthew Akers, The University of Akron

From Tea Party to Trump Party
Ronald B. Rapoport and Henry Crossman, William and Mary

Democracy and Disinformation: Trump, the Republican Party and the 2020 Election
Brian Conley, Suffolk University

The Divided Republicans: How the ‘Paranoid Style’ is Re-Shaping Party Politics
Peter L. Francia, East Carolina University

Riot in the Party: Voter Registrations Following the January 6, 2021 Capitol Insurrection
Daniel A. Smith and Sarah Loving, University of Florida

12 - 1:45 p.m. (EDT) – PARTISANSHIP AND Identity POLITICS
Moderator: Mitchell McKinney, The University of Akron

Strategic Primordialism: How Political Parties Organize Identity Politics
Shaheen Mozaffar, Bridgewater State University

Party Factions Among the Voters
Stephen K. Medvic and Berwood A. Yost, Franklin & Marshall College

Orwell’s Collapse: Partisan Polarization and Its Effect on Language Use
Jakob A. Miller, Taylor University

The Partisan Dynamics of Women in Elective Office: 2020 and Beyond
Laurel Elder, Hartwick College
2 - 3:45 p.m. (EDT) – PARTISAN RESOURCES
Moderator: Stephen Brooks, The University of Akron

Super PACs as a New Source of Gender Inequality in Congressional Elections
Paul S. Herrnson, University of Connecticut and Jennifer Heerwig, Stony Brook University

The Contribution Conundrum of Republican Female Congressional Donors
Anne Baker, Santa Clara University and Monica Schneider, Miami University of Ohio

Empty Seats, Political Imbalance, and Partisan Asymmetry at the Federal Election Commission
Karen Sebold, University of Arkansas

American Party Politics: Organizational Asymmetry and Raising Stakes in the Competition for Votes Cast Abroad
Anca Turcu, University of Central Florida

4 - 5:45 p.m. (EDT) – PARTISAN ACTIVITIES
Moderator: John Green, The University of Akron

State Party Organizations, Independent Expenditures, and Spending Strategies
Jaclyn J. Kettler, Boise State University, Charles R. Hunt, Boise State University, Michael J. Malbin, University of Albany–SUNY, Brendan Glavin, The Campaign Finance Institute and Keith E. Hamm, Rice University

Nationalized Spending in the 2020 House and Senate Campaigns
Kenneth M. Miller, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Are Super PACs Super-Efficient? Independent Expenditures in House Elections
Dante J. Scala, University of New Hampshire

The Ground Game in 2020
Paul A. Beck, The Ohio State University