



STATE OF THE PARTIES VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

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 Norrande, 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



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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