

FINALLY GOT THE NEWS*

Newsletter of the Race, Ethnicity, and Politics Section American Political Science Association

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**Title borrowed from the Newsreel film about militant Black auto workers in Detroit during the 1960's*

Message from the Co-Presidents:

Niambi Carter and Chris Stout

REP Members,

We hope this message finds you and your loved ones safe and as well as you can be.

Our meeting was held virtually on September 24th, 2021 from 2:00-3:00 PST via zoom. The 2021 meeting represents the second in which the pandemic has limited our ability to gather in person. It also comes on the heels of a tumultuous year which began with the January 6th insurrection and has seen continuing calls for racial justice in the midst of growing hate crimes against people of color. These turbulent times serve as a reminder of the importance of our section and the research and community work that our members are engaged in. We must continue to find ways to make our work and efforts available to those who demand racial equality.

To that end, our program chairs Bernard Fraga and Angela K. Lewis-Maddox have organized an amazing set of panels which connect our research to some of the most pressing issues in society today. They deserve a special debt of gratitude given their hard work putting together a wonderful program in uncertain times. Whether you are attending virtually or in-person, make sure to attend as many of our sponsored panels as possible.

Additionally, under the stewardship of Alexandra Filindra, the Journal of Racial/Ethnic Politics (JREP) has seen a significant growth in the number of submissions over the past year and is publishing some of the most prescient and cutting-edge research in our discipline. We encourage our members to continue submitting their research to this important publication.

We continue to be grateful for our amazing community at APSA and look forward to meeting again in person soon. In the meantime, we wish everyone a happy and productive conference and school year.

Sincerely,
Niambi and Chris
REP Section Co-Chairs

Message from the Program Chairs:

Bernard Fraga and Angela K. Lewis Maddox

The continuing toll of the pandemic on our lives and careers means that this year's APSA meeting will, once again, provide only a limited opportunity for us to gather together. However, the desire to share work on Race, Ethnicity, and Politics continues to be strong. This year, we received 188 first-choice submissions, nearly matching the record (189) set in 2019. Dozens of additional individual and full panel submissions had REP as their second choice.

As a result of this continuing interest, and the importance of our scholarship for addressing the challenges our society faces, we sought to include as many voices as possible in this year's REP program. APSA supported us in this effort, and we are exceptionally grateful first and foremost for the professional and technical staff who guided us through this new (to everyone!) hybrid annual meeting. APSA allocated a record number of panels to REP this year (28, up from 26 in 2020 and 27 in 2019). They also agreed to grant REP an exception to the 4 papers per panel rule. As a result, roughly 2/3 of first-choice REP submissions were accepted, including a small number of REP papers that were placed by other divisions and excluding a similarly small set that had REP as their second choice. This is somewhat higher than previous years (53% in 2020, 52% in 2019, 57% in 2018), though the move to a hybrid format, a smaller number of "conventional" full panel submissions, and multiple mini-conferences makes it difficult to compare these numbers directly.

This year's program shows 25 panels where Race, Ethnicity, and Politics is the "Sub Unit," or main sponsor of the session. We sought to create panels with coherent, substantive connections, while ensuring that there were no "manels" and seeking to advance methodological diversity and pluralism where appropriate. This year we were particularly aggressive in seeking out co-sponsorship opportunities as well. Co-sponsorship offers two key benefits to section members: greater visibility for research related to REP and the ability to count full attendance at any co-sponsored panels for *both* co-sponsoring divisions. Since attendance at panels has historically been APSA's primary metric for determining how many panels we get each year, this boost is particularly helpful going forward.

Over half of the panels we created through the REP section have other sections and related groups as co-sponsors. This includes multiple co-sponsorships with Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior, Representation and Electoral Systems, Women, Gender, and Politics, and Comparative Politics. We also contributed panel allocations to the Intersectionality and Social Movements mini-conference and Politics of Criminal Justice mini-conference. Finally, REP serves as a co-sponsor of an *additional* 18 panels that were created by other sections, all of which appear when searching the program for "Division 32 – Race, Ethnicity, and Politics" sessions.

One thing that became clear as we constructed the program is that our section is full of vibrant, engaged, and powerful scholars. We are grateful to our colleagues who accepted requests to serve as chairs or discussants even with the tremendous uncertainty brought by the pandemic. Even those who applied to present had to make hard decisions months before knowing what this fall would look like. We were in touch with many of you who were either unable to commit to attending the conference in-person by the spring/summer deadlines, requested to change presentation format, or cancelled participation last minute. We regret that we were limited in the flexibility we could provide due to the constraints APSA faced, and your participation will be missed. However, we hope that those of you who have the capacity to attend virtual and in-person sessions will do so.

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2021 REP Section Awards

Best Dissertation Award:

Steven Moore. "The Road to Hell: How Race and Paternalism Shape Political Behavior."

Committee: Ayobami Laniyonu, Mara Ostfeld, Davin Phoenix

Best Paper Award:

Chinbo Chong and Tanika Raychaudhuri, "Group-based belief systems about the racial order: Racial stereotypes and Asian American partisan identification."

Mara Ostfeld and Nicole Yadon, "¿Mejorando La Raza?: The Political Undertones Of Latinos' Skin Color In The U.S."

Committee: Hannah Walker, Yamil Velez, John Kuk

Best Book Award:

Ismail K. White and Chryl N. Laird's *Steadfast Democrats: How Social Forces Shape Black Political Behavior*

Mark D. Ramirez and David A. M. Peterson's *Ignored Racism: White Animus Toward Latinos*

Committee: Rene Rocha, Matt Barreto, Karam Dana

A Message from the National Conference of Black Political Scientists:

Call For Papers

“Visions of Black Futures at a Crossroads”

53rd Annual Conference, March 10-13, 2022
Baltimore, MD

Conference Co-Chairs:

Dr. Davin Phoenix, University of California Irvine

Dr. Cory Gooding, University of San Diego

PROPOSALS DUE NOVEMBER 5th, 2021

Submit your proposal [here](#).

Our present times offer varying visions of the possible futures for Black people engaged in the struggle for liberation in the U.S. and beyond. These visions and the strategies deployed to affect their outcome are inspired and informed by generations of freedom fighters who came before, even as they are reconceptualized by Black women organizers in Georgia offering a model of how to leverage an energized Black electorate; massive global protests for racial justice that demand reckoning from political and non-political actors alike; and, multifaceted representation of Black narratives, Black history and Black future across multiple media. As Black people utilize new platforms to mobilize en masse in physical and virtual spaces to call out injustice and enact black visions, people seeking to uphold White supremacy and continue the subjugation of Black people attempt to overturn elections and overthrow governments, demonstrating that the realization of these possible futures will not come without continued conflict and confrontation.

The 2022 conference examines the collective visions of Black future being cultivated by Black individuals and groups engaged in what we broadly define as political work. We welcome panels, posters and roundtables that advance understanding of how black future visions (past and current) are articulated and contested, and how these future visions engender new meanings of state and global citizenship, establish new modalities of political engagement, and articulate new policy agendas, norms and practices. We seek to highlight research from a broad range of theoretical and methodological traditions, to spark conversations that transcend disciplinary and epistemological bounds. We especially encourage graduate and undergraduate students to submit proposals.

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