

## Business meeting: Experimental Section 42

Fri, 31 August 2018, 6:30 to 7:30pm, Hynes, 303

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# 1 Our people

# Presidents

- ▶ Today Becky Morton takes over as President
- ▶ Thad Dunning becomes president elect.

## New Officers

- ▶ Treasurer (beginning today)– David Nickerson
- ▶ Secretary (beginning today)– Anna Bassi
- ▶ Council
  - ▶ Council term beginning today – Dustin Tingley
  - ▶ Council term beginning today – Claire Adida
  - ▶ Council term continuing – Adam Berinsky

## Nomination of New Officers

- ▶ Huge thanks to John Bullock rotating off as treasurer
- ▶ Huge thanks to Betsy Sinclair rotating off as secretary
- ▶ Huge thanks to Cheryl Boudreau, rotating off the council
- ▶ Huge thanks to Nahomi Ichino, off the council

A loss

Peter Loewen on Rick Matland

## 2 Our finances and our membership



# Members

Currently 574 members up from 342 members this time last year.

- ▶ Now the 10th-largest section in the APSA.
- ▶ 270 members are non-paying (online-only) students.
- ▶ Please encourage colleagues and students to join.

# Update (John Bullock)

## *Finances*

- ▶ Balance 2016-07-31: \$24,161.09
- ▶ Balance 2017-07-31: \$26,427.91
- ▶ Balance 2018-07-31: \$24,155.06
  
- ▶ Revenue in last 12 months: \$7206.00 (up 11%)
- ▶ Expenses in last 12 months: \$9478.85 (up 106%)
  
- ▶ Current cost of three JEPS issues (based on latest membership numbers): \$6576.81

### 3 Our Journal

- ▶ updates from Vin Arceneaux
- ▶ presenting pre-testing of pre-acceptance of pre-registered reports

# Team

- ▶ Editor: Kevin Arceneaux, Temple University, USA
- ▶ Senior Associate Editor: Rick K. Wilson, Rice University, USA

## Associate Editors

- ▶ Cheryl Boudreau, University of California, Davis, USA
- ▶ Sarah Bush, Temple University, USA
- ▶ Jennifer Jerit, Stony Brook University, USA
- ▶ Jaime Settle, College of William & Mary, USA
- ▶ Betsy Sinclair, Washington University in St Louis, USA
- ▶ Daniel Rubenson, Ryerson University, Canada (Joining in September)
- ▶ Jonathan Woon, University of Pittsburgh, USA
- ▶ Elizabeth Zechmeister, Vanderbilt University, USA

## Issue 5.1

- ▶ Busby, E., & Druckman, J. (2018). Football and Public Opinion: A Partial Replication and Extension.
- ▶ Butler, D., & Pereira, M. (2018). Are Donations to Charity an Effective Incentive for Public Officials?
- ▶ Enos, R., & Celaya, C. (2018). The Effect of Segregation on Intergroup Relations.
- ▶ Ihme, T., & Tausendpfund, M. (2018). Gender Differences in Political Knowledge: Bringing Situation Back
- ▶ White, A., Strezhnev, A., Lucas, C., Kruszewska, D., & Huff, C. (2018). Investigator Characteristics and Respondent \* Behavior in Online Surveys.
- ▶ Zhang, N. (2018). Institutions, Norms, and Accountability: A Corruption Experiment with Northern and Southern Italians.

## Issue 5.2

- ▶ Bonilla, T., & Mo, C. (2018). Bridging the Partisan Divide on Immigration Policy Attitudes through a Bipartisan Issue Area: The Case of Human Trafficking.
- ▶ Buntaine, M., & Prather, L. (2018). Preferences for Domestic Action Over International Transfers in Global Climate Policy.
- ▶ Kingsley, D., & Muise, D. (2018). More Talk, Less Need for Monitoring: Communication and Deterrence in a Public Good Game.
- ▶ Linos, K., & Twist, K. (2018). Diverse Pre-Treatment Effects in Survey Experiments.
- ▶ Porter, E., Wood, T., & Kirby, D. (2018). Sex Trafficking, Russian Infiltration, Birth Certificates, and Pedophilia: A Survey Experiment Correcting Fake News.
- ▶ Severson, A. (2018). Partisan Affiliation and the Evaluation of Non-Prototypical Candidates.

## Issue 5.3

Stay tuned..



# Submissions

## Submissions:

- ▶ 2018: 68 (as of July 31, August is hiatus).
- ▶ 2017: 63
- ▶ 2016: 71

Average time to decision so far: 52 days (included desk rejects)

## Pre-acceptance of Preregistered Reports

- ▶ Soon after APSA, we will publicly announce a one-year pilot for pre-acceptance of preregistered reports
- ▶ Two-stage review process modeled on Open Science Framework

## Stage 1

Reviewers would be asked to review the PRR along five dimensions:

1. Importance of the research question
2. Soundness of proposed hypotheses
3. Soundness and feasibility of proposed design (including statistical power)
4. Whether proposed experiment offers an adequate and appropriate test of hypotheses
5. Whether proposed methods are appropriate and sufficiently detailed

## Stage 2

Conditionally accepted PRR are evaluated on four dimensions:

1. Research question and rationale for hypotheses did not change from PRR.
2. Experimental procedures detailed in the PRR were followed closely and any departures are noted and justified. If the departures constitute major deviations from the pre-accepted PRR, authors are encouraged to reach out to the editorial office for guidance. AEs have the right to consult with reviewers in the first stage.
3. Unregistered posthoc analyses are clearly labeled, justified, methodologically sound, and informative.
4. Conclusions are justified by the data. (Considerations of data quality fall here). Reviewers will be explicitly told not to consider the perceived importance, novelty, or clarity of the empirical results.

## 4 Our prize winners

## Best dissertation

- ▶ Saad Gulzar, PhD NYU, *Essays on the Political Economy of Development in South Asia*
- ▶ Pia Raffler, PhD Yale, *Information, Accountability, and Political Elite Behavior*
- ▶ **Committee:** Cesi Cruz (Chair), Horacio Larreguy, Johannes Urpelainen
- ▶ Cesi is here! Pia and Saad are here!

## Best book

- ▶ Vin Arceneaux and Ryan Vander Wielen *Taming Intuition: How Reflection Minimizes Partisan Reasoning and Promotes Democratic Accountability*
- ▶ Ryan Enos. *The Space Between Us: Social Geography and Politics*
- ▶ **Committee:** Daniel Rubenson (Chair), Jaime Settle, Leonie Huddy

Dan is here!

## Best Paper

- ▶ Guy Grossman, Kristin Michelitch: “Information Dissemination, Competitive Pressure, and Politician Performance between Elections: A Field Experiment in Uganda”
- ▶ **Committee:** Miriam Golden (Chair), Jennifer Jerit, Kim Twist
- ▶ Miriam is here!



# Public Service

- ▶ Matt Morrison Working America
- ▶ **Committee:** Jake Bowers (Chair), Pia Raffler, Fernando Rosenblatt
- ▶ Pia is here!

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# Bits

- ▶ Becky will be writing with thoughts on innovations

# Program

- ▶ Thanks to Betsy Sinclair and Sarah Brierley for doing an amazing job on the program this year.
- ▶ APSA program 2019. Dan Butler (UCSD) and Brigitte Seim (UNC, Chapel Hill) are the co-chairs.
- ▶ We heard that this year there were very few full panel proposals, and that many listed the experiments section as a second possible field for their APSA papers, rather than the first.
- ▶ Team had to assemble a lot and got many passed too late to include
- ▶ New call solicits full panel proposals, especially those that represent regional or career stage diversity, or different experimental approaches.
- ▶ Welcome panels on the ethics of experiments, scholar-policy partnerships in experiments, or experiment-based research designs. - Spread the word! Make the experiments section the first selection.

# Newsletter

Reuben Kline is here!

## Continuous phishing

From: Macartan Humphreys <president.officer2@aol.com>  
To: john@johnbullock.org

Hello John Bullock,

How are you doing today ..i would like you to carry out a transaction swiftly ..get back to me as soon as you get this so i would tell you how to proceed with it.

Chair

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