

# 69th Annual Conference

Friday - Saturday, April 10 -11, 2015

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#### Two Day Schedule

#### **Friday, April 10, 2015**

Registration: 12:30 - 4:30 P.M. Hawkins Hall Lobby

Adam McGlynn, NYSPSA Treasurer, 12:30 - 3:30 P.M.

Tom Mandeville, Clinton Community College, 3:30 - 4:45 P.M.

Complimentary Coffee and Cookies: 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. Hawkins Hall Lobby

#### Session I 2:00 - 3:15 P.M., in Hawkins Hall

AP-2: Elections and Scandals Room 144

CP-1 Mobilization, Protest, and Political Violence in Colombia, Kosovo, Mali, and Nigeria Room 135

IR-1: International Powers in Eurasia and Asia: Conflict or Cooperation? Room 137

PP/PA-2: Roundtable: Sustainability Education and Approaches to Teaching Environmental Policy Room 143

SL-1: American States and Territories: Sub-National Politics in the United States Room 153B

#### Session II 3:30 - 4:45 P.M., in Hawkins Hall

Executive Council Meeting Room 144

AP-4: Undergraduate Panel on Public Opinion Room 135

IR-2: Current Issues in International Relations and American Foreign Policy Room 137

JP/LS-3: Undergraduate Perspectives on the Law: Judicial Process and Politics Room 153B

PP/PA-1: Administrative Reform Room 143

PT-3: Human Rights: Theory and Practice (Undergraduate Panel) Room 153D



#### Friday, April 10, 2015 (continued)

#### **Keynote Address** 5:10 - 6:00 P.M. Warren Ballroom B Angell College Center

"Teaching Students About Democracy"

Dr. Henry Steck, Distinguished Service Professor and Professor of Political Science State University of New York, Cortland

#### Reception / Dinner Buffet 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. Warren Ballroom A Angell College Center

Welcome from Dr. John Ettling

President, State University of New York, Plattsburgh

Closing remarks from Wilford Pinkney Jr.

President, New York State Political Science Association

7:15 - 8:30 P.M.

PP/PA-4: Toxic Release! An Eco-Educational Game Warren Ballroom B Angell College Center

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Registration: 8:30 - 1:00 P.M. Hawkins Hall Lobby

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#### Session III 9:00 - 10:15 A.M. in Hawkins Hall

- AP-3: Democratic Theory and Practice Room 144
- CP-2: Undergraduate Panel: Issues in Comparative Politics Room 135
- IR-4: Current Global and American Foreign Policy Questions Room 143
- JP/LS-1: Crafting the Law: Perspectives on Judicial Behavior Room 137
- PT-2: Reimagining the Political Theory Canon Room 153B
- TL-1: Outside the Box: Rethinking the Classroom, the Curriculum, and Assessment Room 153D

#### Session IV 10:30 - 11:45 A.M. in Hawkins Hall

- AP-5: Undergraduate Panel on Political Engagement Room 153D
- CP-3: Undergraduate Roundtable: Charlie Hebdo Room 135
- HP-1: Undergraduate Research in History and Politics Room 153B
- IR-3: Victims, Human Rights, Peace Building and Terrorism Room 143
- IR-5: Undergraduates Look at American Foreign Policy Room 137
- SL-2: State and Local Environmental Sustainability Initiatives Room 144

#### Session V Noon - 1:15 P.M in Hawkins Hall

- AP-1: American Politics in History Room 144
- AP-6: Undergraduate Panel on Political Issues Room 135
- IR-6: Undergraduates Look at International Issues Room 143
- JP/LS-2: Undergraduate Perspectives on the Law: Civil Rights and Liberties Room 137
- PP/PA-3 Policy Evaluations and Innovations Room 153D
- PT-1: Bodies, Monsters, Cyborgs, and Animals Room 153B



#### **Panel Details**

Session I: 2:00 - 3:15 P.M.

### AP-2 Elections and Scandals Room 144

Chair and Discussant: Cyril Ghosh, Wagner College, Cyril.Ghosh@Wagner.edu

The Congressional Campaigns of Louise M. Slaughter of New York Philip Grant, Pace University, pgrant@pace.edu

Inter-Party Competition for Congressional Seats: The 1980s, 1990s, and 2000s Harvey L. Schantz, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, Harvey.Schantz@Plattsburgh.edu

Sex, Power, and Cover-Ups: Defining Political Scandal as American Pop Culture Jim Twombly, Elmira College, jtwombly@elmira.edu

# CP-1 Mobilization, Protest, and Political Violence in Colombia, Kosovo, Mali, and Nigeria Room 135

Chair and Discussant: Azzedine Layachi, St. John's University, layachi@stjohns.edu

Conflict and Women's Right to Land: The Case of Colombia Paola Fajardo-Heyward, Canisius College, fajardop@canisius.edu

Mobilization Strategies in Colombia's 2013 National Strike: From "Dignity" to "Popular Power" Diego Medina, The Graduate Center, CUNY, dmedina@gc.cuny.edu

Local Ownership, Democracy, and Social Justice after Peace Building in Kosovo and Timor-Leste Lisa Rickmers, The Graduate Center, CUNY, lisarickmers@gradcenter.cuny.edu

The Impact of Poverty and Income Inequality on Terrorism and Political Instability: The Cases of Nigeria and Mali

Binneh s Minteh, Rutgers University, bminteh@scarlet.rutgers.edu



#### IR-1 International Powers in Eurasia and Asia: Conflict or Cooperation? Room 137

Chair: Harvey Strum, Excelsior College, strumh@hotmail.com

Discussant: Sharon Murphy, Nazareth College of Rochester, smurphy3@naz.edu

Aquino's Administration from Internal Security to External Defense: Challenging China's Claim in the South China Seas

Emma Delgado, De LaSalle University, Philippines, Emma.delgado@dlsu.edu.ph Miguel Ostwani, De LaSalle University, Ostwani\_miguel@yahoo.com and Timothy Joseph Henares, De LaSalle University, tghenares\_ph@yahoo.com

Russia's Eurasian Vision: Bringing Power Politics Back In Lasha Tchantouridze, Norwich University, ltchanto@norwich.edu

Typology of Japan's Elitism Hiroshi Itoh, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, itohh@plattsburgh.edu

# PP/PA-2 Roundtable: Sustainability Education and Approaches to Teaching Environmental Policy (Co-listed with Teaching & Learning Section) Room 143

Chair: Gina Keel, SUNY Oneonta, keelgl@oneonta.edu

Panelists:

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Heather Sullivan-Catlin, SUNY Potsdam, sullivha@potsdam.edu



#### SL-1 American States and Territories: Sub-National Politics in the United States Room 153B

Chair and Discussant: Jeffrey Kraus, Wagner College, Jkraus@Wagner.edu

Puerto Rico: Home of Second Class Citizens in a Colonial Setting Frank P. LeVeness, St. John's University, levenesf@stjohns.edu

Health Care in New York State Jeffrey Kraus, Wagner College, Jkraus@Wagner.edu

On Relative Opinions of Federal and State Governments Daniel Tomkins, University of Wyoming, dtomkin1@uwyo.edu

Who Participates in Local Development Decisions, The Growth Machine or the Homevoter? A Case Study of Development Politics in Saratoga Springs Robert Turner and Matthew Barnes, Skidmore College, bturner@skidmore.edu

Municipal Dissolution in New York State Lisa Parshall, Daemen College, lparshal@daemen.edu

Session II: 3:30 - 4:45 P.M.

**Executive Council Meeting Room 144** 

#### AP-4 Undergraduate Panel on Public Opinion Room 135

Chair and Discussant: Michael A. Armato, University at Albany, Marmato@Albany.edu

Public Opinion and Supreme Court Decisions Arin Liszka, St. Bonaventure University, liszkaae11@bonaventure.edu

Public Opinion and Media Framing on Gun Control: Changes in Public Opinion on Gun Control After Shootings and How Media Frame the Issue

Daniel Myers, St. Bonaventure University, myersdc11@bonaventure.edu

Foreign Policy Crises and the Effect of Presidential Rhetoric on Public Opinion Tony Molino, University at Buffalo, tonymoli@buffalo.edu

Educating the Nation: Money, Media, Misinformation & the Common Core State Standards Initiative Kenneth White, Jr, Union College, whitek2@union.edu

Government Surveillance and Public Trust, Tyler Piraino, St. Bonaventure University, <u>piraintj12@bonaventure.edu</u>



#### IR-2 Current Issues in International Relations and American Foreign Policy Room 137

Chair: Sharon Murphy, Nazareth College of Rochester, smurphy3@naz.edu

Discussant: Lasha Tchantourizde, Norwich University, ltchanto@norwich.edu

Politics of Denial: Arguments for the Effectiveness of Torture Scott Monje, Encyclopedia Americana, smonje@optonline.net

Human Suffering and the Broad Human Security Concept Chris Dolan, Lebanon Valley College, chrisdolan635@gmail.com Marie Gorman, Lebanon Valley College, Mag003@lvc.edu and Kayla Zimmerman, Lebanon Valley College, Kaz003@lvc.edu

The IMF and Governance Reforms: Can Better Rules Lead to Optimal Outcomes Philip Giurlando, Trent University, Canada, phil.giurlando@gmail.com

#### JP/LS-3 Undergraduate Perspectives on the Law: Judicial Process and Politics Room 153B

Chair and Discussant, Sam Edwards, Green Mountain College, sam.edwards.3@gmail.com

Lights, Camera, Attitude: An Explanation of Public Opinion's Effect on Supreme Court Decisions Rebecca Sellers, Lycoming College, selrebe@lycoming.edu

Does the Current Discovery Process Have a Bias to Court Outcomes and Rulings? Courtney Slisz, Buffalo State College, sliszcl01@mail.buffalostate.edu

Public Trust Doctrine and Environmental Law Jennifer Timmons, Green Mountain College, timmonsjl@greenmtn.edu

Constitutional Rights as an Unfunded Mandate: The Problems with the Implementation of *Gideon v. Wainwright* in New York State
Harrison Hartsough, SUNY, Geneseo, hlh3@geneseo.edu



#### PP/PA-1 Administrative Reform Room 143

Chair: Gina Keel, SUNY Oneonta, keelgl@oneonta.edu

Discussant: Hiroshi Itoh, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, itohh@plattsburgh.edu

The Surprising Story of Canada's New National Securities Regulator Ian Roberge, Glendon College, York University, <a href="mailto:iroberge@gl.yorku.ca">iroberge@gl.yorku.ca</a>

Taming and Upgrading Japan's Powerful Mandarins: Reform of the Bureaucratic Personnel System since 2007

Ko Mishima, East Stroudsburg University, kmishima@esu.edu

The Politics and Personnel Practices of the Metropolitan Police of Buenos Aires Rod Colvin, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, <a href="mailto:roddrick.colvin@gmail.com">roddrick.colvin@gmail.com</a>

Potentials and challenges of transitioning the U.S.-E.U. Safe Harbor Program from a hybrid system of authority to a non-state market driven system of authority Sarah Brennan, Baruch College, <a href="mailto:sarah.brennan@baruchmail.cuny.edu">sarah.brennan@baruchmail.cuny.edu</a>

#### PT-3 Human Rights: Theory and Practice (Undergraduate Panel) Room 153D

Chair and Discussant: Dan Lake, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, dlake001@plattsburgh.edu

Inexorable Doom: The State of the State of Exception Julian Mostachetti, SUNY New Paltz, N02239737@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu

An Ethnographic Analysis on Government Participation and Perception among Bronies Alexandra Agostinelli, Buffalo State, agostiaj01@mail.buffalostate.edu

Political" Criticisms of Human Rights: Three Variants Sam Stevens, University of Vermont, sfsteven@uvm.edu

Humanitarian Intervention: Its Inception and its Limitations in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Joseph Anzalone, St. John's University, joseph.anzalone10@stjohns.edu



#### 5:10 - 6:00 P.M. Keynote Address

Warren Ballroom B Angell College Center

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Henry Steck

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Past President New York State Political Science Association

"Teaching Students About Democracy"



At a time when democratic currents sweep so many parts of the world, building and sustaining effective democracies seems very problematic at best. Do our students fully understand the possibilities of democracy--the great global revolution that de Tocqueville described nearly two hundred years ago? Do we--how do we?--prepare our students--whether as future political scientists, policy makers or citizens--to understand the variety of democratic possibilities?

I invite students and colleagues to join me in this conversation.

#### 6:00 - 7:30 P. M. Reception/Buffet Dinner

Ballroom A Angell College Center

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#### 7:15 - 8:30 P.M.

#### PP/PA-4: Toxic Release! An Eco-Educational Game Ballroom B Angell College Center

Come Play! Dr. Gervich and SUNY Plattsburgh students created this participatory, computer-based environmental policy simulation. Play roles of industry professionals, community members, and government regulators to manage risk and shape policy. The project is supported by the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) University Challenge, with support from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Gamemaster, Curt Gervich, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, cgerv001@plattsburgh.ed

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#### AP-3 Democratic Theory and Practice Room 144

Chair and Discussant: Olivia O'Donnell, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, odonnego@plattsburgh.edu

Diverse Perspectives on Democracy: Suggestions for a Syllabus Henry Steck, State University of New York, Cortland, Henry.Steck@Cortland.edu

Attitudes Towards Immigration Policy Via Partisanship and Ethnorace: A View from la Frontera Jessica Lavariega Monforti, The University of Texas-Pan American, lavariegai@utpa.edu and Adam McGlynn, East Stroudsburg University, amcglynn@esu.edu.

Do Outsiders Have It Harder? Governors' Personal Background, Legislative Success, Public Approval and Electoral Fortunes

Rafael Jacob, Temple University, rafael.jacob@temple.edu

#### **CP-2** Undergraduate Panel: Issues in Comparative Politics Room 135

Chair and Discussant, Frank P. LeVeness, St. John's University, levenesf@stjohns.edu

Corruption is Bad, But How? An Analysis of the Adverse Effects on Economic Development Bunthai Chiv, SUNY Buffalo State, chivbunthai@gmail.com

The Longest Civil War: Myanmar and the Prospect of Sustainable Peace Darby Ratliff, Canisius College, ratliffd@canisius.edu

Religion and Politics in Western Europe: Islam and the Identity Crisis Anthony D'Amato, St. John's University, Anthony.damato11@st.john's.edu

#### IR-4 Current Global and American Foreign Policy Questions Room 143

Chair and Discussant, Dan Lake, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, dlake001@plattsburgh.edu

Colonialism Revisited: Colonial Origins of FDI Daniel Scott Owens, University of Maryland, College Park, dsowens@umd.edu

Methods of Turkish-American Relations After the Cold War Kursat Korkmaz, Syracuse University, kursatkorkmaz25@gmail.com

From the War Path to the Campaign Trail: Why Do Rebel Groups Transform into Competent Political Parties?

Soyuz Shretha, Binghamton University, SUNY, soyuz26@hotmail.com

#### JP/LS-1 Crafting the Law: Perspectives on Judicial Behavior Room 137

Chair and Discussant: Lisa Parshall, Daemen College, lparshal@daemen.edu

Court of Last Resort Judges as Role Occupants: The Effects of Role Orientation on Judicial Behavior Raymond Carman, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, Raymond.Carman@Plattsburgh.edu

Remember, it is the Supreme Court that is Expounding: *The Least Dangerous Branch* and Popular Constitutionalism

Helen J. Knowles, Skidmore College, hKnowles@skidmore.edu

Privacy and Technology: Constitutional Doctrine Needs an Upgrade Sam Edwards, Green Mountain College, Sam.edwards.3@gmail.com



#### PT-2 Reimagining the Political Theory Canon Room 153B

Chair and Discussant: Frank Vander Valk, SUNY Empire State College, Saratoga Springs

The Critical Liberalism of Tocqueville's 'Democracy in America' Clifford Smith, University of Toronto, clifford.smith@mail.utoronto.ca

The Theory of Individual Self-Government: Gandhi and Schelling Compared Michael Schmidt, The George Washington University, schmidtm@gwu.edu

Representative Claims and Democratic Theory Maija Matilla, The New School for Social Research (visiting) / University of Tampere, Finland, mattilam@newschool.edu

#### TL-1 Outside the Box: Rethinking the Classroom, the Curriculum, and Assessment Room 153D

Chair and Discussant: Christopher Palladino, Cairn University, cpalladino@cairn.edu

Identity and the First Year Student: Exploring Identity Through Writing Tasks Phyllis Conn, St. John's University, connp@stjohns.edu

Is SUNY Plattsburgh the new Hollywood? A showcase of Plattsburgh State's Environmental Law and Policy Film-Making Project Curt Gervich, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, cgerv001@plattsburgh.edu

Alternative Ways of Assessing Excellence Erika Pilver, Westfield State University, epilver@westfield.ma.edu

Fostering Civic Engagement through Pedagogy in the High School Classroom Sara Vieldhouse, American Paradigm Schools in Philadelphia, sara.vieldhouse@gmail.com

Session IV: 10:30 - 11:45 A.M.

#### Panel AP-5 Undergraduate Panel on Political Engagement Room 153D

Chair and Discussant: Kat Slye, University at Albany, KSlye@albany.edu

Youth Turnout and Contemporary Elections: Proposals to Spark Engagement Thomas Nelson, SUNY College at Buffalo, erisapollo@gmail.com

Use What Your Momma Gave You: The Importance of Upbringing on Voter Decisions
Nia Yahaya, SUNY College at Buffalo, Nian.yahaya@gmail.com



The Influence of Law on an Attorney: Its Pertinence and Relationship With Politics Adetokunbo Tinubu, SUNY College at Buffalo, Tinubuam01@mail.buffalostate.edu

The Justification for the 2003 Invasion of Iraq: Did the United States have just causes? Kyle Newman, SUNY College at Buffalo, newmank01@mail.buffalostate.edu

Refugee Women in Buffalo: Can They Succeed Without Faith Maria Camila Gomez, SUNY College at Buffalo, gomezmc01@mail.buffalostate.edu

# CP-3 Undergraduate Roundtable: Charlie Hebdo and the Complex Nexus of Freedom of Speech, Islamophobia, Extremism, Security, and Integration Room 135

Moderator: Azzedine Layachi, St. John's University, layachia@stjohns.edu

#### Participants:

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Michael Kilcommons, St. John's University, michael.kilcommons11@my.stjohns.edu

Cherise Madigan, Nazareth College of Rochester, madigancherise@gmail.com

Thomas Rovito, Canisius College, rovitot@my.canisius.edu

Julian Mostachetti, SUNY New Paltz, N02239737@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu

#### **HP-1 Undergraduate Research in History and Politics Room 153B**

Chair and Discussant: Phyllis Conn, St. John's University, connp@stjohns.edu

Leo Szillard: Political Action and Governmental Policy: Raising Awareness Through Science Fiction Christian Lyons, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, clyon003@plattsburgh.edu

State and Society: Political Uprising and Turmoil in Current Day Pakistan Fathima Qureshi, State University of New York, Geneseo, fsq1@geneseo.edu

State and Society in South Asia: The Agrarian 'Crisis' in India Sheena Kumra, State University of New York, Geneseo, skumra@yahoo.com

State and Society in South Asia: An Alternative Approach to State Building in Afghanistan William Willows, State University of New York, Geneseo, wbw1@geneseo.edu

#### IR-3 Victims, Human Rights, Peace Building and Terrorism Room 143

Chair and Discussant, Chris Dolan, Lebanon Valley College, Chrisdolan635@gmail.com

True Victims in Zaire: Gendered Constructions of Victimhood and U.S. Involvement in the First Congo War

Emma Jacobs, The Graduate Center, CUNY, emmajacobs11@gmail.com

Comparative Analysis of George W. Bush's and Barack Obama's Performance in the War on Terrorism in Iraq

Morteza Oreizi, University of Teheran, Iran, mortezaoreizi@gmail.com

An Alternative Discussion of Direct Participation in Hostilities: Who Are the Unlawful Combatants or Civilians?

Azer Sumbas, Hacettepe University Faculty of Law, Turkey, azersumbas@hacetteppe.edu.tr

The Splintering of Shabaab: Al Shaabab's Recruitment Efforts in Kenya Thomas Rovito, Canisius College, rovitot@my.canisius.edu

#### IR-5 Undergraduates Look at American Foreign Policy Room 137

Chair: Scott Monje, Encyclopedia Americana, smonje@optonline.net

Discussant: Harvey Strum, Excelsior College, strumh@hotmail.com

Nuclear Proliferation and Its Effects on Relations between the United States and Iran Matthew Smolarek, State University of New York, College at Buffalo mes4535@hotmail.com

The Effects of Successful Terrorist Attacks? Let's Shop for Defense! Christopher Garozzo, Buffalo State College, cmgarozzo@roadrunner.com

Rivalry of the American Eagle and Russian Bear: Pursuing Economic Prosperity Through Revision of Foreign Policy

Graeme Eagles, SUNY Buffalo State, eagles.graeme@gmail.com

Transitioning Global Economic Power: China's Ascent, Constraints, and Implications for China-U.S. Relations

Breden Pacella, Canisius College, pacellab@canisius.edu



#### SL-2 State and Local Environmental Sustainability Initiatives Room 144

Chair and Discussant, Robert F. Pecorella, St. John's University, pecorelr@stjohns.edu

The Endangered Species Act: State and Local Issues Luisa Fiorino, St. John's University, luisa.fiorino14@stjohns.edu

The Influence of Property Rights and Deep Ecology on Public Policy Catherine Sims, St. John's University, catherine.sims10@stjohns.edu

Urban Regimes and Sustainable Development in Los Angeles Christopher Tremain, St. John's University, christopher.tremain12@stjohns.edu

Redefining Highly Erodible Land: And Why It Matters More Than Ever Peyton Jones, Green Mountain College, jonesp@greenmtn.edu

Close but No Cigar: Failure of a Proposed National Preserve Hunting Regulation in Alaska Katie Best, Green Mountain College, bestk@greenmtn.edu

Session V: Noon - 1:45 P.M.

#### **AP-1** American Politics in History Room 144

Chair & Discussant: Harvey L. Schantz, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, Harvey.Schantz@plattsburgh.edu

Colonial Controversy: Examining Critical Perspectives on the American Revolution in Undergraduate American Government Textbooks
Angela G. Narasimhan, Keuka College, anarasimhan@keuka.edu

The Politics of Greed: An Educator's Guide to Point of View and Bias in Historical Synthesis David Dwyer, Cairn University, dd954@cairn.edu

Anti-Immigrant Political Movements in New Jersey, 1830-1870 Harvey Strum, Excelsior College, strumh@hotmail.com



#### Panel AP-6 Undergraduate Panel on Political Issues Room 135

Chair and Discussant: Cyril Ghosh, Wagner College, Cyril.Ghosh@Wagner.edu

Gun Control: An Outlet for Government to Stop Gun Violence Shannon McCullough, Nazareth College, smccull0@mail.naz.edu

An Investigation of Local Level Fracking Politics in the Southern Tier Tyler Madell, SUNY Purchase College, tyler.madell@purchase.edu

Case Study of Thomas Drake: Increasing Retaliation toward Whistleblowers Matt Fuller, Siena College, mfuller143@gmail.com

The Impact of Community Supported Agriculture and Urban Farms on The Local Communities in Which They Reside,

Marion Weiss, SUNY College, Buffalo, weissm02@mail.buffalostate.edu

Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula: U.S. Foreign Policy, Yemini Politics, and Growing Instability, 2000-2014

Cherise Madigan, Nazareth College of Rochester, madigancherise@gmail.com

#### IR-6 Undergraduates Look at International Issues Room 143

Chair and Discussant, Kyeonghi Baek, SUNY Buffalo State, Baekk@Buffalostate.edu

Sovereignty and Universal Human Rights,

Erin Eckerd, Lebanon Valley College, eee001@lvc.edu, Genevieve Hugenbruch, Lebanon Valley College, Grh001@lvc.edu, and Sarah Meinhart, Lebanon Valley College, Sem007@lvc.edu

Big Bully or Good Influence

Rayshawn Jean, SUNY Buffalo State, rayshawn.jean@gmail.com

Power Sharing, Autonomy, and Conflict in Greater Kurdistan

Megan Connelly, SUNY Buffalo State, connma37@mail.buffalostate.edu and Dr. Kyeonghi Baek, SUNY Buffalo State

Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan: Through the Eyes of Offensive Realism Michael Kilcommons, St. John's University, mikeilcommons@gmail.com

The Impact of Islam in Shaping the Future of International Relations in U.S. Foreign Policy Bruna Reis, SUNY Buffalo State, brunareis64@gmail.com



#### JP/LS-2 Undergraduate Perspectives on the Law: Civil Rights and Liberties Room 137

Chair and Discussant: Raymond Carman, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, Raymond.Carman@Plattsburgh.edu

13 + 15 = 28: An Equation to Broaden Enfranchisement Andrew Lowy, Skidmore College, alowy@Skidmore.edu

Regarding the Crush Videos Law and Animal Protection as a Compelling Government Interest: SCOTUS Made the Right Decision in All the Wrong Ways Emily McCoy, Green Mountain College, McCoy.emily36@gmail.com

Faith in the Court: Using the Clause of Faith as an Argument in Favor of Same-Sex Marriage Samantha Vroman, Lycoming College, vrosma@lycoming.edu

#### PT-1 Bodies, Monsters, Cyborgs, and Animals Room 153D

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Talking Smack: Discourses on Drug Addiction, the "Opioid Epidemic," and U.S. Drug Control Policy in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

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Civil Society as a Biopolitical Sphere: "Islam vs. Homosexuality Debate" in Turkey as a Case Study Sumru Atuk, The Graduate Center, CUNY, satuk@gc.cuny.edu

Cyborgs, Inforgs, and the Limits of Biopolitics Frank Vander Valk, SUNY Empire State College, Saratoga Springs, Frank.vandervalk@esc.edu

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Democratic Education and Markets: Segmentation, Privatization and Commodification Brian Ford, New York City Department of Education, <a href="mailto:bpford1@gmail.com">bpford1@gmail.com</a>

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