2018 Dissertation List

PSA is pleased to include here the names of individuals who have completed their doctoral dissertations at political science departments in the United States during the 2018 calendar year. In order to provide the most accurate information possible, this list is based on data reported directly from departments.

Shiran Victoria Shen, Stanford University

The Political Pollution Cycle: An Inconvenient Truth and How to Break It

Erika Masaki, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Institutional Dissonance and Reserved Cooperation: Theory and Evidence from International Environmental Agreements

Rebecca Eissler, The University of Texas at Austin

Prioritizer-in-Chief: The Role of the President in the Policy Process from Reagan to Obama

Dirk Horn, University of California, Irvine

Two Paths: A Comparative Analysis of the Narco-economies and Drug Control Policies in Latin America—The Case of Mexico, Colombia, Bolivia, and Uruguay

David Sollenberger, Catholic University of America

Walt Whitman's Personalist Political Theory

Juan Rodriguez, Walden University

The Green March Movement: Fighting Political Corruption in the Dominican Republic

Elizabeth De Young, University of Liverpool Girdwood Barracks: Power, Politics and Planning in the Post-Ceasefire City

Monica Lineberger, University of South Carolina

Judicial Power and Dynamic Environments

Meshack Simati, Georgia State University Semi-Independent Judiciaries and the Danger of Election Violence: An Analysis of African Elections

Luke Perez, University of Texas at Austin Liberating Faith: American Grand Strategy and the Origins of International Religious Fredom

Nikhar Gaikwad, Yale University

Identity Politics and Economic Policy

Mia Costa, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Communication is a Two Way Street: Race, Gender, and Elite Responsiveness in US Politics

Sara Guenther, University of California San Diego

Relaxing Federal Rules: Political Determinants of Targeted Leniency

Caitlin McMullin, University of Birmingham Co-Production and the Third Sector: A Comparative Study of England and France

Matthew Ward, University of Houston

Authoritarianism, Threat, and Declining Tolerance and Support for Democracy: Evidence from the Post-Arab Spring Middle East

Yi-Chun Chien, University of Toronto

Rights to Settle? Comparing Migrant Care Worker Policies in Taiwan and South Korea

Leah Rosenzweig, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Community Carrots and Social Sticks: Why the Poor Vote in a Dominant-Party System

Nicholas Micinski, The Graduate Center, City University of New York

Coordination, Collaboration, and Delegation in EU Migration Management

Aaron Rosenthal, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Locating the State: Dual Visibility in Contemporary American Government

Yaping Wang, University of Virginia

The Dog that Barks: Understanding Propaganda Campaigns on Territorial Disputes

Lindsay Dolan, Columbia University

The Politics of Classification in Global Development

Jacob Smith, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Chamber Competitiveness, Political Polarization, and the Battle for Legislative Majority Control

Anthony Chergosky, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Incivility in Congressional Communication

Sarah Dorr, University of Leeds

The Perception of the Arab Spring in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan: A Study of Political Change and Learning from 2005 to 2015

Max Margulies, University of Pennsylvania Patrons and Personnel: The Determinants

Patrons and Personnel: The Determinant of Military Recruitment Policies

Dawid Tatarczyk, Western Michigan University

The Catholic Church and Its Impact on Public Policy in Contemporary Democracies

Xinhui Jiang, University of Delaware

Where is the Half Sky? Women's Representation at the County People's Congress of China

Josh Franco, University of California, Merced

Judicial Pork: The Congressional Allocation of Districts, Seats, Meeting Places, and Courthouses to the U.S. District Courts

Yaping Wang, University of Virginia

The Dog that Barks: Understanding Propaganda Campaigns on Territorial Disputes

Alix Olson, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

The Promises of Resilience: Governance and Resistance in Complex Times

Abiodun Fatai, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

Eelctions and Democratic Consolidation In West Africa: Analysis of Nigeria and Senegal

Anwar Mhajne, University of Cincinnati Political Opportunities and Strategic Choices of the Muslim Sisterhood in Egypt

David Endicott, Indiana University
An Explanation of Volatility and Stalled
Legislation in India's Parliament

Christopher Colley, Indiana University
The Nexus of Naval Modernization:
Strategic Rivalry, the Evolution Of Maritime
Power, and the Cases of China and India

Katelyn Stauffer, Indiana University
Assessing the Concept of Representation:
Understanding How Descriptive
Considerations Influence Citizen
Evaluations of Representation.

Luke Wood, Indiana University Anti-Intellectualism in Advanced Industrialized Societies

Alex Antony, Indiana University
Piecing Together the Peaces:
Industrialization and the Rise of Zones
of Peace

Alex Badas, Indiana University

The Public's Motivated Response to Supreme Court Decision Making

Shelliann Israelsen, Indiana University Working Title: Insurgent Recruitment of Female Combatants

the Public, the Opposition and Institutions in Russia 2000–16

Nationalism in Authoritarian Regimes:

Thomas Wonder, Indiana University

Jason Stone, Indiana University
Reaching Beyond the Village: Civic
Activism and Insurgent Mobilization
in Deeply-Divided Societies

Justin Schon, Indiana University The Displacement Decisions of Civilians during Conflict

Matthew Kuchem, Indiana University
Retrieving Liberalism and the Good: The
Architecture of Goods and Communities

Prashant Hosur, Indiana University Explaining Asymmetric Rivalries: How Capability Offsets Prolong Rivalries

Hind Ahmet Zaki, University of Washington
In the Shadow of the State: Gender
Contestation and Legal Mobilization in

the Context of the Arab Spring in Egypt and Tunisia

Laura Back, University of Washington Rights, Care, and Democratic Ethics

Andreu Casas Salleras, University of Washington

Affective Action in Organizations: Social Media, Personalized Communication and Advocacy in the European Union

Javier Crespan Hidalgo, University of Washington

Undocumented Citizens in the Age of Legibility: Indifference, Exclusion, and the Limits of the State's Will to Know

Meredith Loken, University of Washington Women in War: Militancy, Legitimacy, and Rebel Success

Vanessa Quince, University of Washington Racism By Design: The Role of Race and Ethnicity in the Design of International Trade Agreements