

## Interim Editors of PS: Political Science and Politics Announced

**P**hillip Ardoin, professor of political science at Appalachian State University (left), and Paul Gronke, professor of political science at Reed College, and Daniel B. German Distinguished Visiting Professor, Appalachian State University (right), have been appointed interim coeditors of PS: Political Science and Politics (PS). The editorial search committee,

Frances Lee, University of Maryland, and Lara Brown, George Washington University, and Steven Rathgeb Smith, executive director of APSA, made the appointment August 4, 2014, after a months-long search and selection process.

The team takes over for retiring Robert J-P Hauck, who has served as editor for more than 25 years. During Hauck's editorship, PS grew from a quarterly journal of essays and association news, to a journal of peer-reviewed feature articles, articles about the profession, and teaching. It continues to be the only professional news and commentary journal in political science.

"We are excited about the opportunity to assume the editorial leadership of PS and work with the Association to position this vital outlet for political science scholarship, pedagogy, and association news in the new

environment of academic publishing," said Ardoin and Gronke about their appointment. Their one-year term began August 31, 2014.

Their task as an interim editorial team will

be to maintain PS over the next year, helping to inform APSA as it moves to a permanent editorial team starting in 2015. In announcing the appointment, the committee remarked, "We are very enthusiastic about your potential leadership of the journal, especially given this important transition time."

"There is no reason to make major changes in the short term to what is a successful formula. Robert Hauck has served with distinction as editor for a quarter century, and has left PS in an enviable position to navigate the transition to a possible new model of academic publishing," explained Ardoin and Gronke.



APSA sponsored "And the Winner Will Be... An APSA Congressional Briefing" on presidential election forecasting. Current research published in the PS: Political Science and Politics symposium edited by Michael Lewis-Beck (standing, on left) (University of Iowa) and Mary Stegmaier (seated, on far right) (University of Missouri) was presented on Capitol Hill to members of Congress and their staff and other interested policy makers, journalists, academics, and the public. Mark Blumenthal (Huffington Post), Matthew Dickinson (Middlebury College) (seated, center), Drew Linzer (Daily Kos), and Lynn Vavreck (University of California, Los Angeles), delivered their findings on the hows, whens, and whys of election forecasting in a lively discussion before a standing-room-only crowd. More than 70 attended the May 28, 2014, event.

## Coming in the NEXT ISSUE



A preview of some of the articles in the January 2015 issue:

### SYMPOSIA

Recap on the 2014 Midterm Elections, *James E. Campbell, guest editor*

Research and Undergraduate Teaching: A False Divide  
*James N. Druckman, guest editor*

### FEATURES

Race and the Tea Party in the Old Dominion: Split-Ticket Voting in the 2013 Virginia Elections  
*M.V. Hood*

*Argo* and *Zero Dark Thirty*: Film, Government, and Audiences  
*Michelle C. Pautz*

### THE PROFESSION

Will Open Access Get Me Cited? An Analysis of the Efficacy of Open Access Publishing in Political Science  
*Amy L. Atchison*

When Winning is Really Losing and Timothy Kersey

### THE TEACHER

Teaching Theory, Writing Policy: Integrating Lessons from Foggy Bottom into the Classroom  
*Bidisha Biswas*

The Democratic Syllabus  
*Susan Jane McWilliams*

Using Tablet Devices and Social Media in a Course about the 2012 US Election Campaign  
*Paul R. Brewer*

### ASSOCIATION NEWS

Executive Director's Report  
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