Interdisciplinary Studies of Political Behavior and the Use of ‘Big Data’

May 6-9, 2014, OSU Main Campus, Columbus OH

PROGRAM

CONFERENCE  Interdisciplinary Studies of Political Behavior: From Elections to Protests

May 6 – 7, 2014
Mershon Center for International Security Studies, 1501 Neil Ave, Columbus OH

Tuesday, May 6

10:00 – 10:15 - Opening of the Conference: J. Craig Jenkins, Director of Mershon Center

10:15 – 11:20 - KEYNOTE LECTURE: If Big Data Are the Answer, What Is the Question?
Russell Dalton, University of California-Irvine

11:20 - 11:30 - Break

11:30 - 12:15 – Special Session: Harmonization of Cross-National Survey Data on Political Behavior, Kazimierz M. Slomczynski, CONSIRT and Irina Tomescu-Dubrow, CONSIRT

12:15 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 Session I
Bread, Justice or Opportunity? Determinants of the Arab Awakening Protests,
J. Craig Jenkins, OSU, Matthew Costello, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, and Aly Hassan, OSU

Comparing Voters across Democracies, Old and New: The Comparative National Elections Project, Richard Gunther, OSU and Paul Beck, OSU

2:30-2:45 - Coffee Break

2:45 – 4:15 - Session II
Global Influences on National Conflict: A Comparative Analysis of Political Contention,
Edward Crenshaw, OSU and Kristopher Robison, University of Northern Illinois

Cross-national Patterns of ICT Use and Citizen Mobilization for Democracy,
Erik Nisbet, OSU

Wednesday, May 7

10:00 - 11:00 – KEYNOTE LECTURE: Women’s Political Representation and Democracy,
Pamela Paxton, University of Texas- Austin

11:00 – 11:10 Break
11:10 - 12:30 Session III
Representing Muslim Women in Western Countries, Melanie Hughes, University of Pittsburgh

Democratic Non-participation: The Case of Poland, Andrzej Rychard, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences

12:30 – 1:15 Lunch

1:15 – 2:45 - Session IV
Electoral Protest and Democracy in the Developing World, Emily Beaulieu, University of Kentucky

Weak States and the Problem of Political Legitimacy, Irfan Nooruddin, OSU

2:45 - 3:00 Coffee Break

3:00 – 3:50 - Session V

Getting Attention: Explaining Event Selection into National and International News Coverage, Thomas W. Maher, OSU and J. Craig Jenkins, OSU

Emily Beaulieu, University of Kentucky, Edward Crenshaw, OSU, Erik Nisbet, OSU, Pamela Paxton, University of Texas- Austin