

ISPP JUNIOR SCHOLARS COMMITTEE

The ISPP Junior Scholars Committee (JSC) gives voice and visibility to the needs and interests of graduate students, junior faculty, and other junior and non-tenured academic life forms within ISPP. The JSC's goals include providing information and assistance to junior scholars' efforts to conduct political-psychological research, helping them develop their careers, and supporting their attendance at the ISPP annual meetings.

Chair's Message...

Welcome to the winter issue of the JSC News!

As Chair of the Junior Scholars Committee (JSC), I want to congratulate us all on a successful conference in Lund, Sweden last summer and share with you my excitement about the events we have planned for Toronto, Canada this summer. Last summer we had a number of activities in the program geared toward junior scholars, including the junior Scholars Social Hour, the publishing workshop, professional issues roundtable, and mentoring roundtable. In Toronto, we will continue these programs as well as add a few new ones including a new Junior/Senior mentoring event. As always, you will be able to submit or nominate a paper for the Roberta Sigel Award. In Lund, we held a raffle and raised \$220 to help support junior scholar activities. In Toronto, we will have the opportunity to hold a second raffle and possibly raise even more. We are also reestablishing the roommate matching service for the Toronto meeting, which is a great way to make the conference more affordable.

In this issue of JSC News, there is information about the conference in Toronto, junior scholar awards, the Summer Institute in Political Psychology, and the new location of the ISPP Central Office. So, enjoy the News and please get in touch if you have any ideas or concerns of your own.

Hope to see you all in Toronto next summer!

Lauren Appelbaum, Chair
Junior Scholars Committee

Congratulations to the 2003 Sigel Award Winners!

James N. Druckman
and
Kjersten R. Nelson
University of Minnesota
for their paper
"Framing and Deliberation: How
Citizens' Conversations Limit
Elite Influence"*

Abstract:

Public opinion research demonstrates that citizens' opinions depend on elite rhetoric *and* interpersonal conversations. Yet, we continue to have little idea about how these two forces interact with one another. In this paper, we address this issue by experimentally examining how interpersonal conversations affect (prior) elite framing effects. We find that conversations that include only common perspectives have no effect on elite framing, but conversations that include conflicting perspectives eliminate elite framing effects. We also introduce a new individual level moderator of framing effects – called "need to evaluate" – and we show that framing effects, in general, tend to be short-lived phenomena. In the end, we clarify when elites can and cannot use framing to influence public opinion, and how interpersonal conversations affect this process.

*The 2003 Sigel Award was presented at the 2004 Meeting in Lund. For more information about the Sigel Award, and the 2005 call for submissions, see page 2...

Gearing up for Toronto

We hope you are planning to join us for ISPP's 28th Annual Scientific Meeting in Toronto, July 3-5, 2005.

The conference theme this year is "Political Psychology: Facing the Real World." Stay tuned for more information about Junior Scholars Committee activities at the meeting, including:

- Annual Junior Scholars Social Hour
- Junior Scholars Mentoring Activities
- Workshops of interest to Junior Scholars
- Roommate Matching Service
- And more...

For the latest information about the meeting, check the webpage at: <http://ispp.org/meet.html>.

Central Office Has Moved!

The ISPP Central Office has moved. As of February 1, 2005, the Daniel Patrick Moynihan Institute of Global Affairs at the Maxwell School of Syracuse University is the new headquarters for the International Society of Political Psychology.

If you have any trouble with the Junior Scholar web pages, please be patient while the transition takes place.

APSA Political Psychology Section Best Dissertation Prize

The Political Psychology section of the American Political Science Association will award an annual prize for the best dissertation in the field of political psychology. Nominations are currently being sought for dissertations completed in 2004.

To nominate a dissertation for this prize, send a hard copy of the dissertation to each of the committee members listed below by March 15, 2005. Self-nominations are invited, as well as nominations by dissertation committee members. All nominations should include a letter of support from the chair of the dissertation committee that addresses the contribution of the dissertation to the field of political psychology.

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For more information see:
<http://www.apsanet.org/about/sections/section28.cfm>

Congratulations also to the 2004 APSA Best Dissertation in Political Psychology Winner

Cindy Kam
University of California, Davis

Dissertation Title:
"Thinking More or Less:
Cognitive Effort in the
Formation of Public Opinion"

Roberta Sigel Junior Scholar Paper Award

The Sigel Award has been dedicated to support Junior Scholars by honoring up to two exceptional papers presented at the ISPP meeting each year. Junior Scholars who present a paper at the Toronto conference are eligible to be considered for this award in 2005. Junior Scholars are all students (graduate or undergraduate) and untenured faculty who received their Ph.D. within the last five years.

ISPP Junior Scholars Email Listserve

Make sure you're included in the new JSC listserve! If you are an undergraduate or graduate student, or received your Ph.D. within the last 5 years then you are a Junior Scholar. Please make sure that the ISPP office has your email on file for the Junior Scholar listserve to receive announcements about topics of special interest to you.

To join the list, make sure you check off the box indicating your junior scholar status, when you renew your ISPP membership.

The 2004-2005 Junior Scholars Committee is...

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Raffle, Raffle, Raffle!

Last summer in Lund the Junior Scholars Committee held a raffle in support of junior scholar activities. The raffle was a great success and we earned \$220. This year we will be able to hold a second raffle to help contribute to the ISPP Junior Scholar activities and conference programs. Through the generosity of Herb Kelman and Dana Ward, we are able to give away an almost complete set of Political Psychology Journals (dating back to the journal's inception). The raffle proceeds will go to support the junior scholars, but the raffle is open to anyone at the conference. Tickets will be available at the registration table and in the book exhibit area. Please support ISPP's junior scholars and buy a raffle ticket at the conference in Toronto. Thanks! Lauren Appelbaum, Chair, Junior Scholars Committee.

Mentorship Program

The JSC Mentorship Program is designed to facilitate contact between junior scholars and senior faculty who share similar research interests or who may provide methodological guidance to the junior scholars. Through the mentorship program, the JSC will help you to establish contacts with senior faculty during the upcoming Annual Meeting, or anytime throughout the year. For more information, please contact: Jeff Martinson, martinson.3@osu.edu.

Teaching a Political Psychology Course?

Check out the collection of syllabi for political psychology and related courses on the ISPP website at: <http://ispp.org/ppsyl.html>.

ANNOUNCING THE 2005 SUMMER INSTITUTE IN POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY at Stanford University July 10-29, 2005

Stanford University is very pleased to announce that it will host the 2005 Summer Institute in Political Psychology, reviving a tradition that was created by Margaret Hermann and carried out at Ohio State University each summer from 1991 through 2002.

This year's Institute is sponsored by the National Science Foundation, Stanford's new Institute for Research in the Social Sciences (IRISS), the Office of the Dean of Stanford's School of Humanities & Sciences, the International Society of Political Psychology, and the American Political Science Association.

The Summer Institute this year will offer 3 weeks of training in political psychology to up to 60 participants, including graduate students, faculty, professionals, and advanced undergraduates. The activity schedule will include, lectures by world-class faculty, discussion groups, research/interest group meetings, group projects, and an array of social activities.

Applications from interested participants will be accepted beginning on February 1 and are due by April 1, 2005, at the latest. Qualified applicants will be admitted on a first come, first served basis, and all admissions decisions will be finalized by April 7.

For more information on the 2005 Summer Institute, please visit <http://www.stanford.edu/group/sipp> or email: sippstanford@stanford.edu.

Roommate Matching Service

We will be reestablishing the roommate matching service for the conference in Toronto. This service, available through the ISPP website, will allow you to send messages or respond to posts in order to find a suitable roommate to share a hotel room with at the annual meeting. Keep checking on the website for more information about this valuable service.

Suggestions? Ideas? Get Involved!

If you are interested in becoming involved with the Junior Scholars Committee, or have ideas about how we can better serve your needs, please contact Lauren Appelbaum! lauren.appelbaum@claremontmckenna.edu

Introducing... Mentorship Corner!

In future issues of the newsletter, we would like to present short bits of advice from senior scholars in the field on issues of concern to YOU! To help get the process started, please send us questions that you would like to see addressed.

For example... How can I market myself as a "Political Psychologist" when there are so few explicitly interdisciplinary jobs out there? Or, what does the interdisciplinary study of "political psychology" add to the separate fields of political science and psychology?

Send your questions to Melinda Jackson, JSC Newsletter Editor, mjackson@polisci.umn.edu. You may just see an answer here next time around!