



51ST ANNUAL NPSA—HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA

THE HOTEL

The **Wyndham Philadelphia Historic District Hotel** (400 Arch St.) is a lovely venue with great facilities for our conference, located at 4th and Arch Street - smack dab in the historic district. The hotel has an onsite, self-park garage right next door, a roof top pool (which probably won't be open in November, but ...) and a bar/restaurant on the first floor directly off the entrance to the hotel. The conference facilities are all also located on the first floor across the lobby from the bar/restaurant and just inside the front door making lunch all the easier for those who want to eat in and those who decide to jet out into Philly for a quick bite to eat during lunch breaks. The hotel offers free Wi-Fi in the guest rooms and meeting areas.

Attractions

The hotel is right in the historic district, walking distance from the Liberty Bell, the National Constitution Center, Independence Hall, Congress Hall, the Museum of the American Revolution, the African American Museum, the National Museum of American Jewish History, Betsy Ross House, Franklin Square, Christ Church and Burial Ground, Penns Landing, the Delaware Riverfront Walk, and the Independence Seaport Museum to name just a few. A cab/Uber/Lyft ride will get you to the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Pennsylvania Museum of Fine Art, City Hall, the Philadelphia Zoo, and Rittenhouse Square.

Transportation

The airport is about a 20 minute drive depending on traffic and construction. There is a hotel shuttle bus, as well as taxis, Ubers, and Lyfts. The 30th Street Station is 1.75 miles away and there is a metro stop at 5th and Market – about 2 blocks or 3 minutes from the Wyndham.

Food

There are too many choices to list, but we are not far from the Reading Terminal Market, which has lots of food choices, is less than a mile away (about a 10-15 minute walk) and Chinatown (about ½ mile). If you want to stay a little closer to home, here are some of the places our Treasurer, John O'Rorke explored – all rated \$\$ and all with good food. On 3rd between Market and Chestnut there is National Mechanics – a fun pub with a wonderfully grand old façade (a former bank, I think); in the same block is Farmica, a farm to table restaurant; at 200 Market St is the Revolution House with casual fare; 246 Market - Karma Restaurant and bar, Indian cuisine; 10 S. 2nd St – Cuba Libra Restaurant and Rum Bar; 212 Walnut St (2nd floor) – Poitano Coast by Aldo Lamberti – Italian Seafood based cuisine. Between Market and Walnut (south of the hotel) and 2nd and 5th there are so many places to eat, drink, and be merry that not even he could try them all!

KEEP US UPDATED

NPSA wants to know about our members. Please share your stories and successes in our newsletter. To submit a story or blurb for possible inclusion contact our Director of Member Engagement, Koop Berry at kberry@walsh.edu



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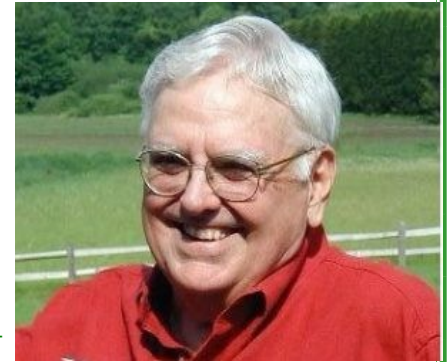
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NEW NPSA PAPER AWARDS

The Jerry Mileur Award for Best Paper in American Politics

Jerome M. Mileur was a Political Science Professor at UMass, Amherst, an avid baseball fan, a good friend to all, and important mentor to many. NPSA conference attendance was mandatory for those in Jerry's world since he loved this meeting for its strong sense of collegiality and encouragement, and as a result he rarely missed a gathering. He was the editor of *Polity* for many years, another indication of his commitment to the Northeast Political Science Association. Jerry's teaching and research focused on U.S. political parties and elections, but he was an advisor to students and editor of colleagues who wrote about a wide variety of topics within American Political Development. He was a strong believer in the power of American institutions, the value of the parties, and the possibility of "too much democracy." Jerry Mileur's wisdom was matched only by his generosity of time and attention. Perhaps his greatest legacy is the number of graduate students he helped into academia and beyond, and their continued dedication and love for him. In honor of his commitment to his students, colleagues, and the Northeast Political Science Association, NPSA has created an award for the best paper in American Politics.



The Franco Mattei Best Graduate Student Paper in American Politics, Political Parties, and Elections – \$500

The Northeastern Political Science Association (NPSA) and Friends of NPSA are proud to announce the Franco Mattei Best Graduate Student Paper in American Politics, Political Parties and Elections. This \$500 prize is named in honor of the late Dr. Franco Mattei, an emeritus associate professor of political science, and former director of graduate studies, at the University at Buffalo (SUNY). Dr. Mattei graduated cum laude in political science from the University of Florence in 1982. He then received his M.A. in political Science from the Ohio State University in 1986 and his Ph.D. in political science from the University of Florence in 1987. He joined the UB faculty in 1992 after serving as a postdoctoral teaching fellow at the University of Rochester and a senior cultural specialist in the Cultural Affairs Office of the American Embassy in Rome. Franco is remembered by his colleagues and students as a rigorous scholar with a passion for political science and a gift for mentoring graduate students. Dr. Mattei published a book, some 20 articles in refereed journals, several book chapters, and presented more than three dozen conference papers and presentations in the field of American Politics before his untimely passing in 2013. This prize is a tribute to his academic legacy offered in support of the next generation of scholars.



CALL FOR NEW EDITOR—POLITY

Call for New Editor

The Northeastern Political Science Association (NPSA) invites applications from individuals or teams for the editorship of our distinguished, peer-reviewed journal, *Polity*. The initial period of the editorship will be between 1st July 2020 and 30th July 2025, with the option of renewal for a further period, subject to mutual consent.

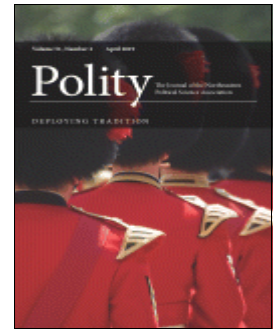
Now in its 51st year, *Polity* is a general political science journal that has been recognized by scholars across the discipline as among the 15 best-known journals. It publishes original research,

review essays, and occasional symposia organized by the editor. With electronic submission and review, the average time to decision on manuscripts is two to three months for the first round of review. Each year the journal receives about 120 submissions with an acceptance rate of around 15 percent.

The journal is published quarterly by the University of Chicago Press, which provides an editorial subsidy to help defray the costs associated with running a journal. Some support has been provided by the editor's home institution, including office space, released time, and graduate student assistance if available.

The editor serves as a member of the executive committee of the Northeastern Political Science Association and is expected to attend all Executive Committee meetings, to attend and actively engage with NPSA membership at the Annual Meeting of the NPSA, and to meet with the editorial board at the annual meeting of the APSA.

See the NPSA website for more information. The review of applications/nominations will begin on or about September 1, 2019. Applications should be emailed to Jeffrey Kraus, Executive Director, Northeastern Political Science Association, at jkraus@wagner.edu



Key Deadlines

Letter of Intent – Monday, June 3, 2019

Full Proposal – Monday, August 26, 2019

Membership in NPSA runs from November to November. This means that your membership is good until it is time to register for our 51st Conference in Philadelphia, November 7-9, 2019.

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- ☆☆ • Polity—Best Paper Award ☆☆☆
 - ☆☆ • Pi Sigma Alpha/NPSA Best Paper Award ☆☆☆
 - ☆☆ • McWilliams Best Graduate Student Paper in Theory ☆☆☆
 - ☆☆ • McWilliams Best Faculty Paper in Theory ☆☆☆
 - ☆☆ • Best Paper on Identity Politics ☆☆☆
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GRAD STUDENT TRAVEL GRANTS

The NPSA will award TRAVEL GRANTS by lottery to two graduate students who register for and participate in the annual meeting. Names will be selected at the conference; each student will receive a check for \$150 to help offset expenses associated with attending the conference.

For more photos from Montreal, please visit the gallery page of our website:
<https://www.northeasternpsa.com/photo-gallery/>

Help Support NPSA's awards and grants by donating to the Friends of NPSA, <https://www.northeasternpsa.com/donate-friends-npsa-2/>

HAVE A QUESTION?

If you have a question about the upcoming NPSA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, check out the NPSA website at www.northeasternpsa.com. You can also contact Koop Berry, Director of Member Engagement for help.





2019 CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

51ST ANNUAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 7-9, 2019
PHILADELPHIA, PA

The Northeastern Political Science Association will hold its 51st Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA from November 7 - 9, 2019. It will be at Wyndham Philadelphia Historic District Hotel in Philadelphia, PA. Submissions for papers, panels, and roundtables will be accepted beginning in March 1. **The deadline for submitting a proposal is June 15, 2019.**

As always, we need volunteers to serve as panel chairs and discussants and we encourage graduate and undergraduate students to submit proposals.

All questions should be directed to the appropriate Section Chair (see conference information on the website) or to the conference Program Chair, Lisa Parshall (lparshal@daemen.edu). Please visit NPSA conference webpage at www.northeasternpsa.com where all conference information will be regularly updated. Please note, **only one paper submission per person will be accepted.** However, a paper presenter may also serve as a chair or discussant on another panel or as a roundtable participant; faculty members may serve in the additional role of mentor for undergraduate research.

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We look forward to seeing you in historic Philadelphia!

Friends of NPSA - 51 in the 51st

The Northeastern Political Science Association just celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2019. One of the many things we did last year was create a stand-alone fund-raising organization called *Friends of NPSA*. The sole purpose of Friends of NPSA is to raise money to help support NPSA's *scholarly awards and travel grants*. These awards recognize academic excellence and help to defray travel costs for promising young scholars.

In that spirit, we are launching our first ever fund-raising campaign, **51 in the 51st**. The goal of this campaign is to raise \$5,100 in honor of NPSA's 51st year of operation. Friends of the NPSA is a registered 501 c 3 non-profit organization. It aims to raise money to fund the awards, grants, and prizes distributed annually to participants at the NPSA conference. Donations to Friends of the NPSA are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by US state and federal law. Friends of NPSA supports the faculty and student McWilliams Political Theory Paper Awards, the Jerry Mileur Award in American Politics, and an award for best paper in identity studies. NPSA additionally provides two modest travel grants for graduate students who attend the annual conference. Detail on the various awards and past award recipients may be found on our website.

NPSA provides a high-quality conference experience in great locations with affordable registration fees. We are a venue that welcomes individuals at all career stages. The awards and travel grants that we fund celebrate academic excellence, connect past and future generations of scholars, reinforce the expectations of the profession, and help to defray costs, particularly for new and upcoming scholars. If positive experiences at the NPSA Conferences have been part of your professional journey, we encourage you to consider giving back so that we may continue our mission in the 51st year and beyond. Even a modest contribution (\$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$51 for the 51st) will have a substantial impact.

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