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## HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA

### The Northeastern Political Science Association's 2019 Meeting in Philadelphia, PA

The Northeastern Political Science Association's 51st Annual Conference was held in Philadelphia on November 7-9th at the Wyndham in the Historical District. The meeting brought together more than 450 scholars representing a broad array of topics and subfields in political science. Researchers of all categories (faculty and graduate and undergraduate) were able to share and receive feedback on scholarship at the cutting-edge of the field. In addition to taking part in 107 panels and roundtables, participants came together for a keynote address by Dr. Paula D. McClain, president of the American Political Science Association (APSA) and a Pi Sigma Alpha Lecture delivered by Julia Terruso, a political reporter for the Philadelphia Inquirer. Also, our Executive Director, Jeff Kraus, was recognized for his 30 years of service to NPSA (story inside). Awards were given for a variety of "best of" papers from last years' conference. In between panels, luncheons, and receptions, our guests enjoyed the sites of the beautiful historic district of Philadelphia, including nearby Independence Hall, the National Constitution Center, and the Museum of the American Revolution, and a group Constitution Walk – all of which make Philadelphia the perfect setting for the contemplation of the state of current political events and disciplinary studies.

The conference was a success thanks to the hard work of our many section chairs who helped to curate the program and the many volunteers who served as panel chairs and discussants. As always, we are grateful to all of our participants and volunteers who lend their time and professionalism to making the NPSA conference a welcoming and worthwhile event. We thank all who attended and hope to see all of you in Boston, Massachusetts in 2020.

A photo gallery of the conference is on our website. Check it out as you might have been captured unaware by our Webmaster Azzedine Layachi.



### 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 inclusions contact our Director of Member Engagement, Koop Berry

### IDEAS FOR Boston?

Please share your ideas for NPSA group events in Boston with Koop Berry at [kberry@walsh.edu](mailto:kberry@walsh.edu)

### 52ST ANNUAL NPSA—BOSTON, MA

Conference Dates: November 5-7, 2020

Omni Parker House Hotel  
60 School St, Boston, MA 02108



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## 30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO NPSA



Jeff Kraus is a fixture at NPSA. He first came as a participant in 1984. He became Section Chair of the Interest Groups, Parties, and Elections in 1998, the same year he became the 3rd Vice President. He was Program Chair in 2000 and President in 2001. Since 2001 he has been

the Executive Director of NPSA. The Executive Director is a behind the scenes, nonpaid, almost full-time position that is at times pretty thankless, sometimes dull, sometimes way too much. Jeff Kraus has been there in all of those situations. He was recognized for his gracious,

humorous, and faithful service to NPSA in Philadelphia. Standing from left to right is John O'Rorke (treasurer), Jeff Kraus (executive director), Farida Jalalzai (immediate past president) and Lisa Parshall (president). In another event Jeff received a bobble head—one for his collection.

## Success!

In 2019, Friends of NPSA successfully completed its first fundraiser, 51 in the 51st. The goal was to raise \$5,100 in honor of the NPSA's 51st year as an organization. Many thanks to those who participated, especially those who contributed to the funding for our two new awards – the Franco Mattei Best Graduate Student Paper in American Politics, Political Parties, & Elections, & the Jerry Mileur Award for the Best Paper in American Politics. But let's not forget those of you who contributed to the McWilliams awards (faculty and graduate student) in political theory, the graduate student travel grant fund, & the general fund for all awards. A special shout out goes to

## FRIENDS OF NPSA

the following for their generous contributions:

Anonymous	Paul Adams
Lonce Bailey	John C Berg
Thomas Brogan	Eric Budd
Bruce Caswell	Alison Dagnes
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We raised over \$1,000 beyond our goal – which is a great start, especially for our first year. Remember, no matter how big or small the amount, we appreciate your financial support. You can always contribute by going to our website and clicking on Friends of NPSA.

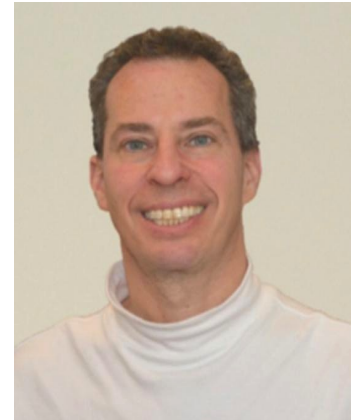
## NPSA PROFILE— ERIC BUDD

Eric Budd is not a stranger to NPSA. He is a professor of Political Science at Fitchburg State University, where he has taught since 1994. He received his doctorate in Political Science from the University of Chicago in 1993, his Masters from Chicago in 1989, and a BA in Politics from Brandeis University in 1985. Eric is the former Chair of the Economics, History and Political Science Department.

He is the author of *Democratization, Development, and the Patriarchal State in the Age of Globalization* and *Conflicted are the Peacemakers: Israeli and Palestinian Moderates and the Death of Oslo*. His current research is on how historical memories can prevent reconciliation in post-conflict societies.

Eric started with NPSA in 1996 as a presenter. He soon began volunteering as chair and discussant on panels in the

Comparative and International Sections. He was Section Chair for Comparative Politics Section from 2001 – 2009. He served as Program Chair for the NPSA's conference in 2010, and then the President of the NPSA 2010-2011. Eric served as Second Vice Chair last year and will now prepare our 52nd Conference.



## A Special Request for Graduate Students and Junior Faculty

Calling all grad students and junior faculty! We know finances are tight and donating to NPSA is not a high priority, but we depend on your participation for successful conferences, and now we are offering you a special deal on the contributions front in the “*Climb the Ladder Campaign!*”

Here's how it works - give us a \$1 donation in 2020 (or more if you can afford it), double that in 2021, double that in 2022 ... so that by 2025 you are up to \$36 and will have earned a *Climbers* badge for your name tag (if you are able to attend the conference that year; and a special shout out and thanks in the newsletter.

Your giving schedule will look something like this:

2020 = \$1  
2021 = \$2  
2022 = \$4  
2023 = \$8  
2024 = \$16  
2025 = \$36

This campaign is open to all, not just graduate students and junior faculty, and we encourage everyone to consider participating at whatever financial level you can afford!

## 2019-2020 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive Director: Jeff Kraus, Wagner University  
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Membership in NPSA runs from November to November. This means that your membership is good until it is time to register for our 52st Conference in Boston, November 5-7, 2020 .



## 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](http://www.northeasternpsa.com). You can also contact Koop Berry, Director of Member Engagement for help.





# 2020 CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

## 52nd Annual Meeting

November 5-7, 2020

Boston, MA

## Program Chair

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The Northeastern Political Science Association will hold its 52nd Annual Meeting in Boston, MA from November 5 - 7, 2020. It will be at the historic Omni Parker House Hotel. Submissions for papers, panels, and roundtables will be accepted beginning in March 1. **The deadline for submitting a proposal is June 15, 2020.**

As always, we need volunteers to serve as panel chairs and discussants and we encourage graduate and undergraduate students to submit proposals. Please volunteer using the All Academic site where you will create your account to submit a paper proposal and volunteer.

All questions should be directed to the appropriate Section Chair (see conference information on the website) or to the conference Program Chair, Eric Budd (ebudd@fitchburgstate.edu). Please visit NPSA conference webpage at [www.northeasternpsa.com](http://www.northeasternpsa.com) where all conference information will be regularly updated beginning mid-February. 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.

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.

We look forward to seeing you in Boston!

## Travel Grant Awardees

One of the signs of NPSA's commitment to our graduate student colleagues is to award grant money to two students who present and whose names were drawn in a lottery. This year's recipients are Maura Avington from St. John's University (featured on the right) and Gaunjie Niu from New York University. Your contribution to NPSA Friends makes the grants possible. We would like to provide more travel money for our graduate students. Please consider donating to NPSA Friends so that we can continue this.



## Check out our Website—



Our website contains a lot of information. You can find information on the upcoming conference, the Call for Papers, the list of section chairs, NPSA officers, and awards. We have history via the Presidents Memory booklet, copies of our newsletter, and a photo gallery from the past three conferences. We also have listed our new Anti-Harassment Policy and Professional Code of Conduct. Check it out at: <https://www.northeasternpsa.com>

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