

Political Geography Specialty Group



2018 PGSG PRECONFERENCE SCHEDULE

University of New Orleans
Oliver St. Pé Center
(TRAC)

New Orleans, LA

Monday, April 9, 2018

Schedule overview

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*Sunday, April 8, 7-9pm: Unofficial PGSG social hour for early arrivals at **Backspace Bar and Kitchen** 139 Chartres St., directly across the street from the Marriott*

- 7:45 – 8:30 Registration [1st Floor] \$20 registration (cash/check); students free
- 8:15 – 8:30 Opening Comments [room 101] Posters should be displayed 8:00a–4:15p
- 8:30 – 9:45 Sessions I, II [rooms 101,103]**
- 9:45 – 10:00 Break & Visit Posters
- 10:00 – 11:30 Sessions III, IV [rooms 101, 103] (session IV ends 11:45)**
- 11:30 – 1:00 Lunch Break
- 1:00 – 2:00 Plenary [room 101]**
- 2:00 – 2:15 Break
- 2:15 – 3:45 Sessions VIII, IX [rooms 101, 103]**
- 3:45 – 4:00 Break [lower level Concourse]
- 4:00 – 5:30 Sessions X, XI, XII [rooms 101, 103]**
- 5:35 – 5:40 Closing Comments [room 101]
- 6:00 – PGSG Dinner – Sassafras Creole Kitchen, 2501 Leon C Simon Dr.

BUSINESS MEETING - Thursday, April 12, 11:50a–1:10p, Marriott (2nd Floor, Galerie 3).

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Backspace (Sunday evening social hour) <http://www.backspacenola.com/> 139 Chartres St.

TRAC Center <http://www.uno.edu/trac/>

UNO is accessible from the AAG venues in New Orleans via the Regional Transit Authority (RTA). <http://www.norta.com/Getting-Around/Overview> With the French Quarter Marriott (555 Canal St., New Orleans, LA) as your "leaving from" address you have two "arriving at" options:

1955 Leon C. Simon Dr., New Orleans, LA

- 12 min. walk to Elk Place at Tulane

- bus #52, 43 stops (22 min.); 7:35a departure is best, 8:15a will miss part of Session I

<http://www.norta.com/Maps-Schedules/System-Map/Line.aspx?ID=10840>

- 4 min. walk across Leon C. Simon Dr. to the northwest to TRAC Center

2200 Leon C. Simon Dr., New Orleans, LA

- 3 min. walk to Canal at N. Peters

- bus #55, 36 stops (22 min.); 7:00a departure is best, 7:45a may miss Opening Comments

<http://www.norta.com/Maps-Schedules/System-Map/Line.aspx?ID=10841>

- 10 min. walk west along Leon C. Simon Dr. to TRAC Center

If you take the RTA you can pay using their GoMobile App (\$3 for 1 day)

<http://www.norta.com/Getting-Around/GoMobile-App>

Other transportation options include Uber, Lyft, and taxi. If using a ride-share you may want to pre-order your return trip to the French Quarter to avoid a long wait.

Limited parking on-campus is available advance request via the PGSG organizers.

Sassafras Creole Kitchen (Monday evening dinner) <https://www.sassafrascrolekitchen.com/>
0.8 miles (17 min. walk) straight east on Leon C. Simon Drive (north side of street)

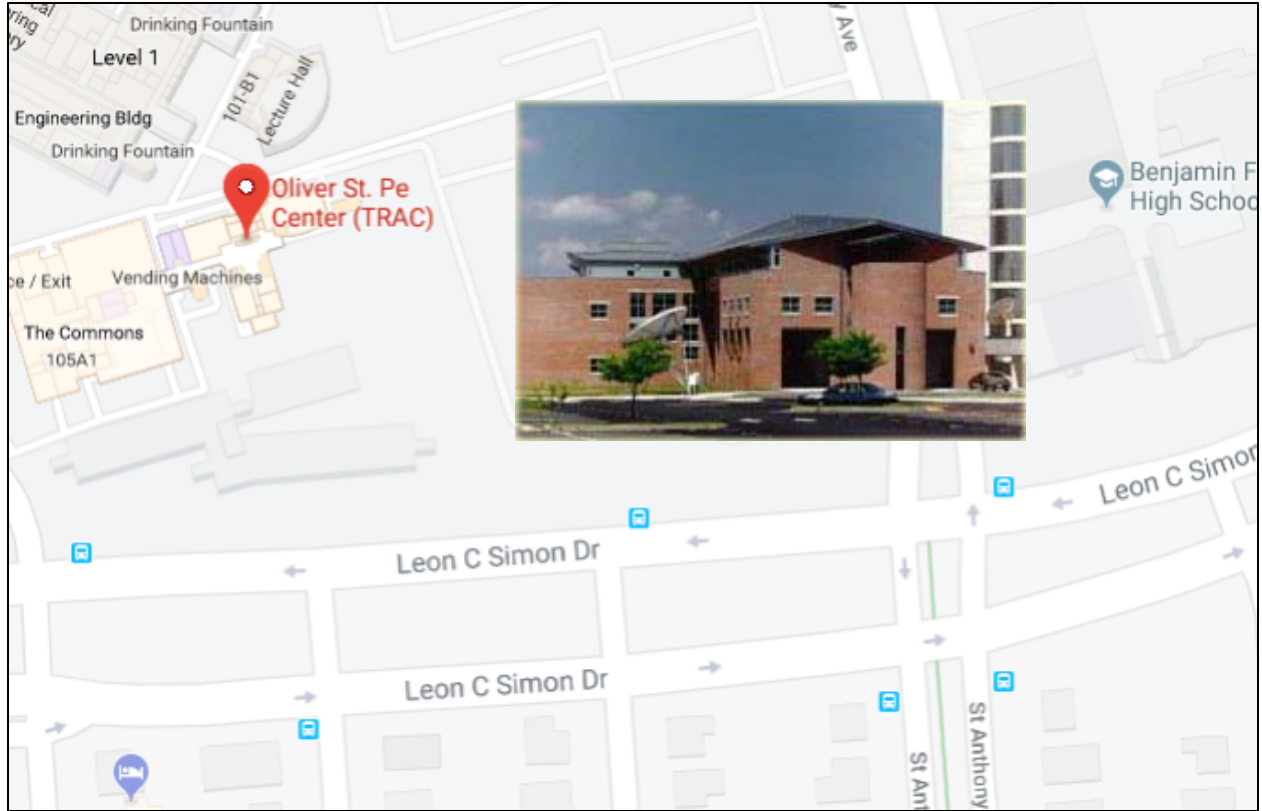
RTA bus back to Sheraton from restaurant:

- 9 min. walk to Elysian Fields at L C Simon

- bus #55, 34 stops (23 min.); 7:50p, 8:30p, & 9:05p departure options

- ride to the end of the bus and walk to Marriott or Sheraton

For additional directions and maps, visit <http://www.politicalgeography.org/>



Session Themes at a Glance

	Room 101	Room 103
8:15	Introductory Remarks	
8:30 – 9:45	I = Borders	II = Urban Spaces
10:00 – 11:30	III = New Views of Geopolitics	VI = Territory, Borders, Mobility, & the Environment (ends 11:45)
	Lunch	
1 – 2	PLENARY	
2:15 – 3:45	V = Places, Landscapes, Environments	VI = New Perspectives on the State
4:00 – 5:30	VII = Transnational Processes and Social Movements	VIII = Nationalism and Identity

NOTE: There are 18 minutes per speaker, including introduction, Q&A, and transition to the next person. Speaking time should be limited to 15 minutes. Signs will be given for 2, 1, and 0 minutes remaining.

8:30-9:45 Session I Room 101 Borders

Chair: Reece Jones (Geography, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa)

Bodies, borders and violence. How pornography narrates the US/Mexico boundary

Anna Casaglia, Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland

Border violence in the urban space of Melilla

Dina Krichker, Geography, National University of Singapore

Understanding Pre-Modern Political Geographies through Contemporary Theory: The Case of the First ‘Border’ War and the Bordering of the Ancient World

Joshua Hagen, Arts and Sciences, Northern State University

International border management in South Sudan: a subaltern geopolitics perspective

Julian Hollstegge, Political Geography, University of Bayreuth (Germany)

8:30-9:45 Session II Room 103 Urban Spaces

Chair: Kevin Grove (Global and Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University)

The changing role of cities in supranational and global governance: A political geography of the Urban Agenda for the European Union

Virginie Mamadouh, Geography, University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

The political stakes of becoming a “capital city of dance”: the case of Lyon (France)

Alan Magali Chatelain, UFR Temps et Territoires, Lyon 2 and Grenoble Alpes Universities (France)

Wild Turkey: The Tavern as Regulatory Target in Late Ottoman and Republican Cities

Emine Ö. Evered, History, Michigan State University

Kyle T. Evered, Geography, Michigan State University

Territory, Exception, and State Territorial Mode of Production in the Russian Imperial Urban Periphery

Vera Smirnova, Public and International Affairs, Virginia Tech

10:00-11:30 Session III Room 101 New Views of Geopolitics

Chair: Ted Holland (Geography, University of Arkansas)

Does Critical Geopolitics Need to Become More Multi-Perspectival? Lessons from Central Asia Alexander B. Murphy, Geography, University of Oregon

Tourism scholarship as a geopolitical instrument: A case study of Australian-Chinese Collaboration

Ian Rowen, Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University (Singapore)

Towards a Constructive Critical Geopolitics

Veit Bachmann, Department of Human Geography, Goethe-University Frankfurt

Sami Moisio, Department of Geosciences and Geography, University of Helsinki

Jumping Scale in the Arctic Council: Indigenous Permanent Participants and Asian Observer States Mia M. Bennett, Geography (also Modern Languages & Cultures), The University of Hong Kong

Tourism and the Geopolitical Imaginary: Territory, Temporality and the Socio-Ecological Fix in the People's Republic of China and Myanmar

Mary Mostafanezhad, Geography, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

10:00-11:45 Session IV Room 103 Territory, Borders, Mobility, & the Environment

Chair: Orhon Myadar (Geography and Development, The University of Arizona)

"Greenwashing" the Occupation: The role of environmental governance and the discourse of sustainability in sustaining the Israeli occupation of Palestine

Sara Hughes, Geology and Geography, Mount Holyoke College

River borders and securitizing infrastructures in South Asia

Kimberley Thomas, Geography, Penn State University

Redefining the "border between two worlds": waterscapes of dependency, development, and devotion along the Panj River in the Pamir Mountains of Tajikistan

Sohrob Aslamy, Geography, Syracuse University

Fossil capital, anti-fragility, and grand strategy: The geopolitics of solar geoengineering

Kevin Surprise, Environmental Studies, Mount Holyoke College

Greening the Gulf? Conspicuous sustainability and the technopolitics of 'post-oil' futures in the Arabian Peninsula

Natalie Koch, Geography, Syracuse University

1:00-2:00 Room 101 Plenary
**Practicing Political Geography in Turbulent Times:
Reflections from Recent PGSG Award Winners**

The past two years have been characterized by a series of upheavals in the geopolitical order, including the success of populist and nationalist movements in western democracies, challenges to the project of European integration, and geopolitical shifts in East Asia based on a newly assertive foreign policy from the People's Republic of China. In this panel a cross section of our recent award winners will reflect on the challenges of practicing political geography during this period of realignment. We emphasize that this period presents a challenge both in terms of the object of study for the sub-discipline of political geography, but also challenges in terms of the practice of conducting political geography scholarship.

Chair:

Afton Clarke-Sather, Geography, Urban, Environment & Sustainability Studies
University of Minnesota Duluth

Panelists:

Reece Jones, Geography

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Julian Minghi Distinguished Book Award (2017)

Natalie Koch, Geography

Syracuse University

PGSG Past President (2016-2017)

[also Stanley D. Brunn Junior Scholar Award (2014)]

Sara Hughes, Geography and Geology

Mount Holyoke College

PhD Student Paper Award (2017)

Shona Loong, Geography and the Environment

Oxford University

PhD Student Paper Award (2018)

2:15-3:45 Session V Room 101 Places, Landscapes, Environments

Chair: Mary Mostafanezhad (Geography, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa)

Ethnic Politics of Place amidst China's Drive for a Civilized City

Andrew Grant, Geography, Colorado University, Boulder

Hawai'i's Territorial Homesteads on Maui: An Attempt at an American Colony in 1911

M. Kawēlauokealoha Wright, Geography, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Materiality, Sustainability, and the Politics of Namibia's Marine Extractive Frontier

Meredith J. DeBoom, Geography, University of Colorado-Boulder

Sharing "Miyazaki Jitokko" on Youtube: Social media as a medium for collaborative ethnography

Benjamin Schrager *University of Hawai'i at Mānoa*

Wider questions of sustainability: The impacts of New England electric conservation and renewables on hydropower, rivers and communities

Eve Vogel, Geosciences, UMass Amherst

2:15-3:45 Session VI Room 103 New Perspectives on the State

Chair: Lindsay Naylor (Geography, University of Delaware)

Landscape transformation and state effect: Everyday social relationships of mining, resource access, and nature's materiality in Intag, Ecuador

Emily Billo, Environmental Studies (also Center for Geographies of Justice), Goucher College

Governing Alongside: Lateral State Spatiality and Unmet Expectations in Senegalese Mining Negotiations

Ashley Fent, Geography, University of California, Los Angeles

Opening spaces of dissent: The politics of information control in the aftermath of the Chernobyl disaster on Ukraine

Nathan Ray Pickett, Geography and Atmospheric Sciences, University of Kansas

Securing the Tiger: The Tbilisi Zoo tragedy and the post-Soviet bio-social

Jesse Swann-Quinn, Department of Geography, Syracuse University

Expulsion, Eviction, and Getting Kicked Out of Places: Methods, Strategies, and Sensibilities for Conducting Fieldwork in Authoritarian Spaces

Galen Murton, Geographic Science, James Madison University

4:00-5:30 Session VII Room 101 Transnational Processes and Social Movements

Chair: Natalie Koch (Geography, Syracuse University)

Conditioning to host: politics of becoming hosts in homestay programs in Okinawa, Japan
Sayaka Sakuma, Department, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Preparing Healthy Chinese Pilgrims for the Hajj: The Hui, Local Medical Configurations, and Transnational Imaginations of the Global Ummah in Urban Muslim Communities in China
Yang Yang, Geography, University of Colorado – Boulder

The Ghana job: Opening Hungary to the “developing world”
Zoltán Ginelli, Earth Sciences, Eötvös Loránd University

German Support for the Caliphate- Political Geographies of Syrian Rebel Groups' Networks, Logistics and Supply Chains
Sarah Klosterkamp, Geography, University of Muenster

Religion Beyond Borders: The Transnational Sufi Community of Medina Gounass
David Glovsky, History Michigan State University

4:00-5:30 Session VIII Room 103 Nationalism and Identity

Chair: Fred Shelley (Geography, the University of Oklahoma)

Civic Nationalism in Kazakhstan: Results from 2017 Fieldwork
Alexander C. Diener, Geography and Atmospheric Sciences, University of Kansas

The Paul Robeson Party: Political Affiliation and Memorialization in Wales
Mark Alan Rhodes II, Geography, Kent State University

Politicising East-West Difference in the European Union: Patterns of Identity Bordering
James W. Scott, Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland

Scalar Citizenships and Belonging: Global Islam and Lived Experience in Northwest China
Sarah Tynen, Geography, University of Colorado-Boulder

The Spatial Turn in Social Movement Studies: Mapping the Multiple Spatialities of Contentious Politics
Jens Kaae Fisker, Danish Centre for Rural Research, University of Southern Denmark