

Political Geography
Specialty Group



**2017 PGSG
PRECONFERENCE
SCHEDULE**

Harvard University
Cambridge, MA

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

Venue: Harvard University, Center for Government and International Studies (CGIS)
CGIS South Building, 1730 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

Schedule overview

updated: 3/31/17

Monday, April 3: Unofficial PGSG social hour for early arrivals! Gather in Copley Marriott lobby around 8pm to walk over to Clery's (<http://www.clerysboston.com/>) or meet people there.

7:45 – 8:30 Registration [lower level Concourse]

8:15 – 8:20 Opening Comments [room S030]

8:30 – 9:45 Sessions I, II, III, IV [rooms S020, S030, S050, S250]

9:30 – 4:15 Posters [lower level Concourse]

9:45 – 10:10 Break [lower level Concourse]

10:10 – 11:40 Sessions V, VI, VII [rooms S030, S050, S250]

11:40 – 1:00 Lunch Break (*optional working groups on political action themes*)

1:00 – 2:05 Plenary [room S030]

2:05 – 2:25 Break [lower level Concourse]

2:25 – 3:55 Sessions VIII, IX [rooms S030, S250]

3:55 – 4:10 Break [lower level Concourse]

4:10 – 5:05 Sessions X, XI, XII [rooms S020, S030, S250]

5:15 – 5:20 Closing Comments [room S030]

6:00 – PGSG Dinner at Border Café, 32 Church Street (½ mile/11 min. walk) <http://www.bordercafe.com/>

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Friday, April 7: PGSG Business Meeting, 11:50a–1:10p, Marriott (3rd Floor, Clarendon Rm).

7:45-8:20 Registration**CGIS South Lower Level Concourse**

\$20 registration for faculty
(cash/check); no fee for students.

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PGSG President
Syracuse University

Kenneth D. Madsen
PGSG Secretary/Treasurer
The Ohio State University at Newark

For additional maps, to go
<http://www.politicalgeography.org/>

**9:30-4:15 Posters****CGIS South Concourse [lower level]**

Why did Pioneering Local Governments Adopt Sustainability plans: An Analysis of Policy Innovation Using Geographic Information System Mark Anthony Ayure-Inga Agana, Environmental Dynamics Program, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Hegemony is in the details: viewing global political transitions from the Island Pacific
Sasha Davis, Geography, Keene State College

Values and Effectiveness Reflected in Environmental Activism by Email {afternoon only}
William Forbes, Anthropology, Geography, Sociology, Stephen F. Austin State University

Where Women Stand: Local and Party Determinants of Women Candidates in Canada
Benjamin Forest, Geography and Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, McGill University;
Mike Medeiros [non-attending], Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, McGill University; &
Christopher Erl [non-attending], Geography, McGill University

Could Kurdistan become a part of European Energy Security: Challenges and Opportunity?
Hemin Ismael, Geography, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Is nationalism just for nationals? Civic nationalism for noncitizens and celebrating National Day in Qatar and the UAE Natalie Koch, Geography, Syracuse University

The Impact of International Development Assistance Projects on Violent Conflict in Scale-Sensitive Geographic Analysis Andrew M. Linke, Geography, University of Utah & Karsten Donnay [non-attending], Politics, University of Konstanz (Germany)

Legal Geographies of Arizona Border Barriers
Kenneth D. Madsen, Geography, The Ohio State University at Newark

The geography of same-sex marriage vote in Slovenia and Croatia

Jurij Toplak, Political Science and Law, U. of Maribor (Slovenia) & Alma Mater Europaea (Austria)

Circuits of Chinese birth tourism: geopolitical marketing and cross-strait segmentation

Sean H. Wang, Geography, Syracuse University

Session Themes at a Glance

	S020 Belfer	S030 Doris/Ted Lee	S050	S250
8:20 – 9:50	I = INDIGENOUS PEOPLES & COLONIALISM	II = COLD WAR LEGACIES	III = MILITARISM, TERRORISM, PEACE	IV = GEOPOLITICS OF FINANCE & NARCOTICS
10:10 – 11:40		V = BORDERS	VI = IMAGINING TERRITORY, NARRATING SECURITY	VII = METHODOLOGY & THEORY
1 – 2		PLENARY		
2:15 – 3:45		VIII = BORDERING & MIGRATION		IX = CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT
4:00 – 5:12	X = HUMAN RIGHTS	XI = MIGRATION & DIASPORA		XII = URBANISM & DEMOCRACY

8:30-9:45 Session I

CGIS South S020 Belfer Case Study Room

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES & COLONIALISM

Chair: Lindsay Naylor, Geography, University of Delaware

Crop Booms at the Margin: Land Consolidation along Indonesia’s Indigenous Frontier

Micah Fisher, Geography, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

China to Catembe: Chinese Migration to Maputo for the Construction of Catembe Bridge and Resulting Racial Perceptions

Micah D. Petersen, Geography, University of Delaware

The ironies of militarized and colonial cartography: exploring the mythologies of the Minembwe map

Judith Verweijen, Conflict Research Group, Ghent University & Michiel van Meeteren [non-attending], Geography, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

A Changing Landscape: Territorial Name Changes In Hawai‘i

Kawēlauokealoha Wright, Geography, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

8:30-9:45 Session II

CGIS South S030 Doris and Ted Lee Gathering Room

COLD WAR LEGACIES

Chair: Alexander B. Murphy, Geography, University of Oregon

Targeting memories: Project Wringer, mass interrogation, and geographical intelligence in the cold war

Elliott Child, Geography, University of British Columbia

Nuclearity and the geopolitical event: polonium 210 and the killing of Alexander Litvinenko

Alan Ingram, Geography, University College London

To save a city: Urban-scale geopolitics in Slavutych, Ukraine

Nathaniel Ray Pickett, Geography and Atmospheric Science, University of Kansas

Blame Attribution Conspiracy Theories: The Case of MH-17

Gerard Toal, Government & International Affairs, Virginia Tech & John O'Loughlin, Geography, University of Colorado Boulder

8:30-9:45 Session III

CGIS South S050

MILITARISM, TERRORISM, PEACE

Chair: Andrew Linke, Geography, The University of Utah

Marketing Militainment: political spaces of spectacular consumption

Daniel Bos, Geography and the Environment, University of Oxford

Banal Terrorism and the Urban Geopolitics of Affect: Exploring the Emotional Mechanisms of Lockdown in Paris and Brussels

Sunčana Laketa, Geography, Universität Zürich & Sara Fregonese [non-attending] Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Birmingham

Feminist geopolitical visualizations: seeing and drawing state violence

Jenna Christian, Geography & Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, The Pennsylvania State University

Peace as plural: the differential approach in the Colombian peace accords

Sara Koopman, Tampere Peace Research Institute, University of Tampere

GEOPOLITICS OF FINANCE

Chair: Kara E. Dempsey, Geography and Planning, Appalachian State University

Kazakhstan's Intra-State Regional Economic Policy: Assessing Evolving Strategies of Post-Socialist Development

Alexander C. Diener, Geography and Atmospheric Sciences, University of Kansas

Philanthro-Capitalism in Asia: Singapore's State-Finance Nexus and the Global Spread of Financialized Philanthropy

Dennis Christoph Stolz, Geography, National University of Singapore

Recovering the Global East

Martin Müller, Geographisches Institut, Universität Zürich

Space and The Gift: Some Geographic Philosophy

Florence Twu, Architecture, School of the Art Institute of Chicago

BORDERS

Chair: Reece Jones, Geography, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Infrastructure Nationalism in Russia: Hard Borders and Soft Interiors

Mia Bennett, Geography, UCLA

Border Layers: peeling back the India-Bangladesh border

Edward Boyle, Asia Pacific Future Studies, Kyushu University

"A handshake across the Himalayas:" Chinese investment, hydropower development, and state formation in Nepal

Galen Murton, Geography, University of Colorado Boulder

Crime, Climate Change, and Hegemony: Military Interventions of the United States and Brazil on the Brazilian Border

Peter D. A. Wood, Demography, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (Brazil)

Mapping the Shatter-Zone, Interstitial Space, and Non-State Territorial Control at the China-Myanmar Borderland

Jasnea Sarma, Geography, National University of Singapore & Evan Centanni, Political Geography Now

IMAGINING TERRITORY, NARRATING SECURITY

Chair: Jason Dittmer, Geography, University College London

Terror and Territory: A new approach

Jaume Castan Pinos, Political Science and Public Management University of Southern Denmark
& Steven M. Radil, Geography, University of Idaho

The Politics of (non) Certified Organic Olive Oil Production in Jordan

Brittany Cook Barrineau, Geography, University of Kentucky

Stretched Thin: Transnational Governance in Syria's Opposition Territories

Ali Nehme Hamdan, Geography, UCLA

Unbounded Territoriality: Territorial control in the Occupied Palestinian Territories

Sara Salazar Hughes, Geography, UCLA

The shifting spatial regime of post-Oslo East Jerusalem

Oren Shlomo, Urban Planning and Design, Harvard Graduate School of Design

METHODOLOGY & THEORY

Chair: Karen Culcasi, Geology and Geography, West Virginia University

The politics of potentiality: topological thought beyond resilience

Kevin Grove, Global and Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University

Performing diplomatic decorum

Fiona McConnell, Geography and the Environment, St. Catherine's College, Oxford

Derwent's Ghost: a History of Geography at Harvard University, 1929-1956

Alison Mountz, International Affairs, Geography and Environmental Studies, Wilfrid Laurier University
& Keegan Williams, Geography and Environmental Studies, Wilfrid Laurier University

Methodology in geopolitics: problems, examples and issues

De Leon Petta Gomes da Costa, University of São Paulo

Slow violence and emergency: articulating the temporalities of crises

Ruth Trumble, Geography, The University of Wisconsin–Madison

11:40-1:00 Lunch

If you are interested in joining a working group of political geographers to discuss contemporary political circumstances and/or possible political action, please take advantage of the lunch hour to do so. Groups will organize and depart from the lower level Concourse near Registration. Feel free to advertise a particular subject at Registration to generate interest.

Contextualizing the Trump vote: Methods and Approaches from Political Science and Political Geography

Chair: Colin Flint, Political Science, Utah State University

John O'Loughlin, Geography, University of Colorado Boulder
Andrew Linke, Geography, University of Utah
Ryan D. Enos, Government, Harvard University
Melissa Sands, Government, Harvard University

Join this group for a discussion of context in political geography. The basis is the debate in *Political Geography* twenty years ago, but will draw on my recent examples in the political life of the United States. In preparation you may want to re-visit some of the relevant articles:

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/09626298/15/2>

O'Loughlin, J. 1996. Editorial. *Political Geography* 15(2):127-128.

Agnew, J. 1996. Mapping politics: how context counts in electoral geography. *Political Geography* 15(2):129-146.

Flint, C. 1996. Whither the individual, whither the context? *Political Geography* 15(2):129-146:147-151.

Brunstein, W. 1996. Mapping politics: how mode of production counts in electoral geography. *Political Geography* 15(2):153-158.

King, G. 1996. Why context should not count. *Political Geography* 15(2):159-164.

Agnew, J. 1996. Maps and models in political studies: a reply to comments. *Political Geography* 15(2):165-167.

BORDERING & MIGRATION

Chair: Corey Johnson, Geography, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Good Fences, Good Neighbors? The Shifting Modalities and Mentalities of Borders in the Early Twenty-first Century

Joshua Hagen, Arts and Sciences, Northern State University

The border on a plate: Food, provenance, and the border in everyday life

Benjamin Schrag, Department of Geography, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Boundless Boundaries: Iconicity, Ideology, and Irish Nationalism

Joe Schult, Sociology, University College Dublin

Juridical Borders: Government Dysfunction, Neoliberal Governmentality and the U.S. Immigration Courts

Austin Kocher, Geography, The Ohio State University

Framing the European refugee crisis as a security problem

Boštjan Rogelj, Geography, University of Ljubljana

CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT

Chair: Afton Clark-Sather, Geography, University of Delaware

Adaptive Digital Governmentalities of the Anthropocene: Mapping, Sensing and Hacking

David Chandler, International Relations, Politics and International Relations, University of Westminster

The politics of 'just transition' away from fossil fuels: Uneven resource geographies and supply destruction strategies in the Anthropocene

Philippe Le Billon, Geography, University of British Columbia

Jump-starting the Blue Economy: Understanding the Logic behind Capital's new Spatial Fix

Felix Mallin, Geography, National University of Singapore & King's College London & Mads Barbesgaard, Human Geography, Lund University

Enflamed Livelihoods: The Environmental Geopolitics of Tourism and the Haze Crisis in Northern Thailand

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

The production of self-resistance through unequal access to urban green areas in Santiago, Chile

Felipe Muñoz, Geography and Urban Studies, Temple University

HUMAN RIGHTS

Chair: Austin Kocher, Geography, The Ohio State University

Alternatives between “shouting and shooting”: Scientific and technological constructions of so-called ‘non-lethal’ weapons

Samuel Henkin, Geography and Atmospheric Science, University of Kansas

Critical Legal Geography and Critical Cartography of Child Marriage Law: Mapping a New Conversation

Shannon O’Lear, Geography and Atmospheric Science, University of Kansas; Nicole Reiz, Liberal Arts & Sciences, University of Kansas; & Dory Tuininga [non-attending], Geography and Atmospheric Science, University of Kansas

An extra-regional solution: Australia’s use of humanitarian aid and border security support to immobilize asylum seekers in South Asia, the Middle East, and North Africa

Josh Watkins, Geography, University of California, Davis

MIGRATION & DIASPORA

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

Migrant Struggles, Violence, and the European Migration “Crisis”

Kara E. Dempsey, Geography and Planning, Appalachian State University

The Integration Struggle in Europe

Alexander B. Murphy, Geography, University of Oregon

Ukraine’s Internally Displaced Crimeans and the Question of Diaspora

Austin Charron, Geography and Atmospheric Science, University of Kansas

URBANISM & DEMOCRACY

Chair: Jurij Toplak, Political Science and Law, U. of Maribor (Slovenia) & Alma Mater Europaea (Austria)

Deliberative Democracy Derailed?: Scale, State Power, and Public Participation in Minnesota’s Bonanza Valley Groundwater Management Area

Afton Clarke-Sather, Geography, University of Delaware

Manure Politics: Messy Interventions in a Landscape of Order

Christopher M. Neubert, Geography, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Politics of Hope: Affective Politics and the Corbyn Phenomenon

Isabel Airas, Government and International Affairs, University of Durham

History of PGSG Preconferences

- 2017 – Harvard University – Cambridge, MA (AAG in Boston)
- 2016 – Nikko Hotel – San Francisco, CA (AAG in San Francisco)
- 2015 – DePaul University – Chicago, IL (AAG in Chicago)
- 2014 – University of South Florida – Tampa, FL (AAG in Tampa)
- 2013 – UCLA – Los Angeles, CA (AAG in Los Angeles)
- 2012 – Vassar College – Poughkeepsie, NY (AAG in New York City)
- 2011 – University of Washington – Tacoma, WA (AAG in Seattle)
- 2010 – Virginia Tech – Alexandria, VA (AAG in Washington, DC)
- 2009 – Plaza Hotel – Las Vegas, NV (AAG in Las Vegas)
- 2008 – Worcester, MA (AAG in Boston)
- 2007 – University of California – Berkeley, CA (AAG in San Francisco)
- 2006 – University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign, IL (AAG in Chicago)
- 2005 – Boulder, CO (AAG in Denver)
- 2004 – Atlantic City, NJ (AAG in Philadelphia)
- 2003 – Tallahassee, FL (AAG in New Orleans)
- 2002 – San Diego, CA (AAG in Los Angeles)
- 2001 – West Point, NY (AAG in New York City)
- 2000 – Morgantown, WV (AAG in Pittsburgh)
- 1999 – Maui, HI (AAG in Honolulu)
- 1998 – Cambridge, MA (AAG in Boston)
- 1997 – San Marcos, TX (AAG in Fort Worth)
- 1996 – Athens, GA and Columbia, SC (AAG in Charlotte)
- 1995 – Iowa City, IA (AAG in Chicago)
- 1994 – Eugene, OR (AAG in San Francisco)
- 1993 – Blacksburg, GA (AAG in Atlanta)
- 1992 – University Inn, Boulder, CO (AAG in San Diego)
- 1991 – Tallahassee, FL (AAG in Miami)
- 1990 – Toronto, Canada (AAG in Toronto)
- 1989 – Baltimore, MD (AAG in Baltimore)
- 1988 – Los Angeles, CA (AAG in Phoenix)



If you have details on institutions/hotels for early preconferences, please e-mail to madsen.34@osu.edu.

Remembering 1988

(based on <http://www.onthisday.com/date/1988> & <http://www.thepeoplehistory.com/1988.html>)

- Feb. 4** – Manuel Noriega of Panama indicted by US federal jury for drug trafficking and racketeering
- May 15** – USSR begins withdrawing 115,000 troops from Afghanistan
- May 24** – U.K. law prohibiting the promotion of homosexuality passed (repealed 2001/2004)
- Aug. 8** – Ceasefire between Iran & Iraq takes effect after 8 years of war
- Oct. 1** – Mikhail Gorbachev ascends to leadership of the Soviet Union
- Nov. 15** – PLO proclaims State of Palestine, recognizes Israeli existence
- Dec. 1** – Benazir Bhutto named 1st female Prime Minister of a Muslim country (Pakistan)
- Dec. 21** – Suspected Libyan terrorist bomb explodes on Pan Am jet over Lockerbie, Scotland

movies: Rainman, Who Framed Roger Rabbit, Die Hard, Beetlejuice, A Fish Called Wanda

technology: S. Hawking “A Brief History of Time,” Hubble Space Telescope, US Stealth Bomber, Prozac