

**What We Know and What We Need to Know:
Voter Registration and Turnout in the U.S.
American University Washington College of Law
4801 Massachusetts Ave NW, Room 603
Sponsored by AU School of Public Affairs and Project Vote**

November 16, 2016

Program

- 8:30 to 9:00 Registration and Coffee
- 9:00 to 9:15 Welcome and Introductions
- 9:15 to 10:45 Panel I. Voter Registration and Election Policies
- Which Matter When—and For Whom?
 - How Will Universal Registration Impact Who Votes?
- Panelists: **Christopher Mann, Skidmore College**
Michael Hanmer, U of Maryland
Robert Stein, Rice University
Michael Slater, Project Vote
Janelle Wong, University of Maryland
- Chair: **Jan Leighley, American University**
- 10:45 to 11:00 Break
- 11:00 to 12:30 Panel II. Registration, Mobilization and Turnout
- Mobilization: What Works?
 - Turnout: Costs and Benefits
 - Information and Attitudes
- Panelists: **Donald Green, Columbia University**
Jonathan Nagler, New York University
Yanna Krupnikov, Stonybrook University
Maggie Bush, League of Women Voters
Janet Hernandez, National Council of La Raza
- Chair: **Michael Hanmer, U of Maryland**
- 12:30 to 1:30 Lunch

1:30 to 2:45

Panel III. Social Media, Social Pressure

- Social Media vs. Face-to-Face: Does it Matter?
- Social Pressure and Elections
- Online Registration/Voting

Panelists: **Marisa Abrajano, U of California, San Diego**
Josh Tucker, New York University
Kevin Collins, Analyst Institute
Michael McDonald, University of Florida
Gabi Porter, State Voices

Chair: **Christopher Mann, Skidmore College**

2:45 to 3:00

Break

3:00 to 4:15

Panel IV. Political Engagement: A Broader, Longer View

- Political Activism
- Ambition, Attitudes and Political Dis-Engagement
- Turnout in Presidential Elections . . . and Beyond

Panelists: **Jennifer Lawless, American University**
Yanna Krupnikov, Stonybrook University
David Becker, Pew Charitable Trusts
Gregory T. Moore, NAACP National Voter

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Chair: **Robert Stein, Rice University**

4:15 to 5:00
Answer

Discussion: What Do We Need to Know Now? And How Do We
Those Questions?

Proposals: Panel I/Twitter/Mann and Slater
Panel II/Twitter/Hanmer and Krupnikov
Panel III/Twitter/ Abrajano and Collins
Panel IV/Twitter/Stein and Tucker

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5:00 to 6:30

Reception