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**GORDON SANDISON MEMORIAL LECTURE**

# *Guest Speaker*

# Joshua Dyck, PhD

**"Initiatives without Engagement: A Realistic Account of the Secondary Effects of Direct Democracy"**

# Tuesday, May 8, 2018

# 3:00 pm, SL 130

Joshua J. Dyck is a political scientist and survey researcher who frequently comments on elections and public opinion. He is Associate Professor of Political Science and Co-Director of the Center for Public Opinion at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell.

Professor Dyck studies American politics, with a focus on public opinion, voting behavior, elections, parties, political communication, and state politics. Much of his research is motivated by the interplay between public opinion and different social and institutional settings, examining the way that citizens react to democratic environments and political institutions.