ANNUAL POLITICAL SCIENCE CONFERENCE

Tuesday, May 3, 2016
Conference Headquarters: Arntzen Hall 419 - Payne Lounge

MORNING PANELS  8:30-10:00 AM

Roundtable—Trade Policy Discussion
Arntzen Hall 421
Discussant: Cynthia Horne, WWU Political Science Faculty
- Robert Berman, Saybin Medler, Travis Greene, Gabe Moss
- The four student panel on trade politics engages directly with current debates on the pros and cons of trade raised by current political candidates. Between Bernie Sanders’ indictment of NAFTA and the TPP, Donald Trump’s lamenting our trade deficit with China, news of closing factories and new industries budding in the American economy, international trade is one of the hottest issues in United States politics. Presentations on: the American electoral landscape for trade policy, multinational corporations and development politics, and the political impacts of trade on women globally.

Justice, Gender, Race and the Body
Arntzen Hall 414
Discussant: Debra Salazar, WWU Political Science Faculty
- Nicolas Jensen, *Queer America’s Health: Navigating the U.S. Healthcare System as an LGTQ+ American*
- Grace Eichner, *Government Response (or Lack Thereof) to Disasters in Communities of Color*
- Abigail Ramos, *Farmworker Food Injustice*
- Frederica Kolwey, *Climate Change and Environmental Injustice: Contributions of the Global Food System*

Public Policy Issues
Arntzen Hall 414
Discussant: Sara Weir, WWU Political Science Faculty
- Paige Heine, *War on Drugs*
- Joe Coats, *Ending Cannabis Prohibition*
- Joel Jordan, *The Truth Behind Elections: Not All Are Equal*
- Emily Wangsness, *Earthquakes and Democratization in Mexico*

LUNCH BREAK  12:00 – 1:00 PM

PSA Luncheon – Faculty and Students invited for a pizza lunch
Viking Union 565 A/B

AFTERNOON PANELS  1:15-2:45 PM

Comparative Politics
Arntzen Hall 421
Discussant: Kristen Parris, WWU Political Science Faculty
- Sarah Allen, *Race and Democratization in Bolivia*
- Danil Vishniakov, *On the Integration of Ethnic German Re-Settlers After the Enactment of the Immigration and Integration Law of 2005*
- Paul Raines, *Canadian Supreme Court vs. United States Supreme Court*
- Alex Hastings, *Mujeres Libres: Lessons on Anarchism and Feminism from Spain's Free Women*

MORNING PANELS  10:15-11:45 AM

Decolonial and Post-Colonial Politics
Arntzen Hall 412
Discussant: Vicki Hsueh, WWU Political Science Faculty
- Seth Brickey-Smith, *A Tale of Two Sovereignties: Parallel Sovereignty as a New Paradigm for Post-Colonial Statehood*
- Jacob Hibbeln, *The Politics of Assimilation: The Struggle for Native American Cultural Rights*
- Alex Velimesis, *Military Waste and its Effects on Indigenous Peoples*

2016 SANDISON MEMORIAL LECTURE
Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., CF115

*Human Services and Political Violence: Why Should Political Scientists Care About “Social Work”?*

*Shawn Flanigan, Associate Professor of Public Administration, San Diego State University*

RECEPTION  5:00 – 7:00 PM

Boundary Bay Brewery & Bistro
Students and faculty are invited to relax and discuss the day’s events.