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2025 GPSA Program Schedule

Wednesday, 5 November

GPSA Registration	2:00pm-4:00pm (Lobby)
GPSA Executive Meeting	4:00pm-6:00pm (Oak Room)

Thursday, 6 November

Limited breakfast items available	7:30-8:30am (Musgrove Room)
Panel A Session	8:30am-9:45am
Panel B Session	10:00am-11:15am
Lunch break	11:30am-12:30pm***
Panel C Session	12:30pm-1:45pm
Panel D Session	2:00pm-3:15pm
Coffee Break	3:30pm-4:00pm
Panel E Session	4:00pm-5:15pm
USG EU Studies meeting	4:00pm-5:15pm (Oak Room)
President's Reception	6:00pm-8:00pm (Musgrove Room)
	President's Reception and Awards Presentation
	Undergraduate Research Poster Session

***Lunch is not provided by the conference but can be ordered through Sago (Sea Palms' on-site restaurant)

Friday, 7 November

Limited breakfast items available	7:30am-8:30am (Musgrove Room)
Panel F Session	8:30am-9:45am
Panel G Session	10:00am-11:15am
Lunch break	11:30am-12:15pm***
Annual Business Meeting	12:15pm-2:00pm (Musgrove Room)

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Wednesday, 5 November

1. Title: GPSA Executive Board Meeting
 - a. Location: Oak Room
 - b. Time: 4-6pm

Thursday, 6 November

Panel A

1. Title: Foreign Policy in a Second Trump Administration
 - a. Location: Mackay
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Robert Harding**, rharding@valdosta.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Craig Greathouse**, *Abdication of Leadership and the Systemic Impacts of the Trump Administration*, craig.greathouse@ung.edu
 - ii. **Jonathan Miner, Alison Freligh, Sheila Ganley, Sara Gonzalez, and Meg Kelham**, *Foreign policy decision-making by the Trump administration during the first six months of 2025: Common patterns in decisions to engage the US overseas?*, jonathan.miner@ung.edu, alfrel4410@ung.edu, smgan15724@ung.edu, saravi.12@hotmail.com, makelh7577@ung.edu
 - iii. **Raluca Viman-Miller**, *U.S. Non-traditional Security Threats*, raluca.viman.miller@ung.edu
2. Title: Asian Politics
 - a. Location: Harrington
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Behrooz Kalantari**, kalantab@savannahstate.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Halim Abdul**, *Efforts to Promote Democracy in Bangladesh, 2008–2020: Empirical Analysis of the Impact of U.S. Actions*, ahalim2@student.gsu.edu
 - ii. **Huq Naznin**, *Women's Participation in Bangladesh's National and Local Government*, nhuq2@student.gsu.edu
 - iii. **Raikhan Primbetova**, *“ALZHIR” and the Politics of Memory: Historical Injustice and National Identity in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan*, rp1158@georgetown.edu
 - iv. **Joseph Robbins**, *Terrorism and Counter-terrorism in Central Asia*, jwrobbins@valdosta.edu
 - v. **Jerry Mark Silverman**, *MacArthur to Bremer: Iraq in the Age of Nation-Building*, jmsilverman5@comcast.net

3. Title: Judicial Politics
 - a. Location: Frederica
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Andrew Pieper**, apieper1@kennesaw.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Raisa Castro**, *The Second Judgment: Rape Sentencing and Victim Identity in Latin America*, rcaastro5@student.gsu.edu
 - ii. **Maddie Chauvin**, *Striking Out the Jury Pool: How the Batson Procedure Has Seen Changes Within States*, mchauvin@lagrange.edu
 - iii. **Benjamin Clark**, *"We the Peoples": Reconciling Popular Sovereignty, Federalism, and the Bill of Rights*, benjaminclark@gcsu.edu
 - iv. **Marc Pufong**, *Nomination Politics and Supreme Court Justices 1860s and 2000s: A Madisonian Premise Assessment*, mpufong@valdosta.edu

4. Title: Democratic Transitions, Backsliding, and Impediments to Democratization in America, India, and Russia
 - a. Location: Cypress A
 - b. Panelists:
 - i. **Jack Moran**, *Aristocratic Democracy: Understanding Polarization as a Contradiction*, jmoran@kennesaw.edu
 - ii. **Tinaz Pavri**, *From Secular Democracy to Majoritarian Democracy in India*, tpavri@spelman.edu
 - iii. **Tom Rotnem**, *Lost in Transition: Impediments to Democratization in the Russian Federation*, trotnem@kennesaw.edu
 - iv. **Kerwin Swint**, *Democratic Transitions: Voter Registration and Partisanship in the United States*, kswint@kennesaw.edu

Panel B

1. Title: Presidency Studies
 - a. Location: Mackay
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Marc Pufong**, mpufong@valdosta.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Curt Bonner**, *From Blue To Red: The Critical Shift In The Midwest*", dbonner1@lagrange.edu
 - ii. **Matthew Corrigan**, *Executive Fiat or Historical Anomaly: the Trump Era and the American Presidency*, mcorrigan2@ju.edu
 - iii. **Andrew Pieper**, *Breaking Windows: Fractured Trust and the Decline of US Democratic Norms*, apieper1@kennesaw.edu
 - iv. **Chris Tecklenburg** and **Lara Wessel**, *An Updated Descriptive and Quantitative Analysis of Executive Orders: Examining Separation of Powers Effects*, htecklenburg@georgiasouthern.edu and lwessel@georgiasouthern.edu
2. Title: Security Studies
 - a. Location: Harrington
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Jonathan Miner**, jonathan.miner@ung.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Robert Harding**, *The Evolution of Terrorism in Latin America: From Revolutionary Movements to Transnational Crime Syndicates*, rharding@valdosta.edu
 - ii. **Scott McDonald**, *War Powers on Remote Control: The Illegality of the US Drone Campaign in Pakistan*, scott.mcdonald@ung.edu
 - iii. **Miroslav Plundrich**, *NATO's Strategic Transition and the Case of the Czech Republic*, plundrim@ff.zcu.cz
 - iv. **Nihad Yolchiyev**, *Beyond Neorealist Competition: Explaining Russia's Cooperative Arctic*, nyolchiyev1@student.gsu.edu
3. Title: EU Studies Panel
 - a. Location: Cypress B
 - b. Discussant: **Christopher Lawrence**, christopher.lawrence@mga.edu
 - c. Chair: **Michael Baun**, mbaun@valdosta.edu
 - d. Panelists:
 - i. **John-Michael Allan**, *Reassessing the Relationship: Consequences of the Trump Administration's Foreign Policy on EU and Czech Partnerships*, jallan@valdosta.edu
 - ii. **Liz Haley**, *The Rise and Impact of Right-Wing Populism in Hungary*, erhaley@vadosta.edu
 - iii. **Chase Williams**, *"Warsaw Oppression: A Case of Democratic Backsliding in Poland in 2015-2017*, cw00164@my.westga.edu

4. *Roundtable: Undergraduate Research Mentoring*
 - a. Location: Frederica
 - b. Moderator: **James LaPlant**, jlaplant@valdosta.edu
 - c. Participants:
 - i. **Kristina LaPlant**, klaplant@uwlax.edu
 - ii. **Keith Lee**, keilee@valdosta.edu
 - iii. **Joseph Robbins**, jwrobbins@valdosta.edu

5. *Roundtable: Graduate Program Recruitment*
 - a. Location: Cypress A
 - b. Participants:
 - i. **Julie Lester**, jlester@valdosta.edu
 - ii. **Andrew McGraw**, amcgraw@gatech.edu
 - iii. **Craig Greathouse**, craig.greathouse@ung.edu

Panel C

1. Title: Fulbright Partnership Panel: University of West Bohemia and Valdosta State University
 - a. Location: Mackay
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Petr Jurek**, pjurek@ff.zcu.cz and **Joseph Robbins**, jwrobbins@valdosta.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **John-Michael Allan**, *AI Deepfakes and American Policy Making: Addressing Disinformation in the Modern Digital Age*, jallan@valdosta.edu
 - ii. **Jakub Šulc**, *Nigel Farage and the Brexit Party: The Rise of Populist Single-Issue Party*, jakub-sulc@post.cz
 - iii. **Martin Růžička**, *Sino-Russian Partnership: Military and Informational Dimensions Against Unipolarity*, ruz2001@students.zcu.cz
 - iv. **Natalie Nová**, *How European Leaders Communicate about the War in Ukraine on Social Media*, natalienova.13@gmail.com
 - v. **Nataliya Mochernak**, *Voluntary Repatriation of Refugees During Conflict: The Case of Ukrainian Refugees After the Russian Invasion of Ukraine*, mochernn@ff.zcu.cz

2. Title: Road to Progress: Transportation Policy Developments
 - a. Location: Frederica
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **James LaPlant**, jlaplant@valdosta.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Tim Golden**, *Pavement Politics in Georgia: The History of the Georgia Department of Transportation*, timgolden@bellsouth.net
 - ii. **Jing He**, *Policy Instruments Selection and the Development of Bike Share Programs in China*, jing.he@ung.edu

3. Title: Political Movements
 - a. Location: Cypress A
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Kimberly Gill** and **Paul Showray**, gill_kimberly1@columbusstate.edu and spaul2@memphis.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Alicia Barnes**, *College Students as Poll Workers? Insights on Recruitment and Retention*, abarn146@kennesaw.edu
 - ii. **Drew Gaither**, *Revolutionizing Economic Dynamics: Exploring the Implications of Worker Self-Direction on Quality of Life Outcomes*, rgaither1@students.kennesaw.edu
 - iii. **April Johnson** and **Joshua Johnson**, *Social Capital and Disability Politics*, ajohn551@kennesaw.edu and jjohn767@kennesaw.edu
 - iv. **Julie Lester**, *Local Governments and Youth Engagement in Georgia*, jlester@valdosta.edu
 - v. **Cimaya McCreary** and **April Johnson**, *Social Capital and Sense of Belonging: Investigating the Foundations of Youth Political Engagement*, cmccrea8@students.kennesaw.edu and Ajohn551@kennesaw.edu

4. Roundtable: *Emergency Management Issues in Public Administration: Contemporary Challenges and Innovations*
 - a. Location: Cypress B
 - b. Moderators: **Lance Y. Hunter** and **Wesley Meares**, LAHUNTER@augusta.edu and WMEARES@augusta.edu
 - c. Participants:
 - i. **Jennifer Neal**, JHORNER99@augusta.edu
 - ii. **Jean John**, JOJEAN@augusta.edu
 - iii. **Anthony Washington**, AWASHINGTON1@augusta.edu
 - iv. **Kathryn Clark**, KCLARK11@augusta.edu
 - v. **Jakob Miller**, JAKMILLER@augusta.edu

Panel D

1. Title: How Popular Are the Populists?
 - a. Location: Mackay
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Toby Bolsen**, tbolsen@gsu.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Ryan Carlin and Gregory Love**, *Populist Popularity: Baselines, Dynamics & Policy Performance*, rcarlin@gsu.edu and gjlove@olemiss.edu
 - ii. **Daniel Skidmore-Hess**, *Has Globalization Stumbled or has it Fallen (and can't get up)?*, danielskidmorehess@georgiasouthern.edu
 - iii. **Ellis Davis, Kristina LaPlant, James LaPlant, and Keith Lee**, *Endorsing the Big Lie and Candidate Success: An Analysis of the 2022 GOP Primaries in Six Key Battleground States*, klaplant@uwlax.edu, jlaplant@valdosta.edu, and keilee@valdosta.edu
2. Title: Comparative Politics
 - a. Location: Harrington
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Craig Greathouse**, craig.greathouse@ung.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Yu Nong**, *Exploring climate effects on the interplay of inequality and political conflict*, ynong1@student.gsu.edu
 - ii. **Paul Showrav**, *Mobilization or Demobilization? How the Accessibility of the Internet and Social/Digital Media Matters*, spaul2@memphis.edu
 - iii. **Shareef Huda**, *Duality of Threat and Political Integration*, hmohamedshareef1@gsu.edu
 - iv. **Liz Haley**, *Children of War, Agents of Peace: Assessing the UN's Response to Child Soldiers in Sierra Leone*, erhaley@valdosta.edu
 - v. **Clark Webber**, *Alliance, Ideology, and Hegemony: The Russian Abandonment of Armenia*, cwebber2@student.gsu.edu
3. Title: Democratization Studies
 - a. Location: Frederica
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Miroslav Plundrich**, plundrim@ff.zcu.cz
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Rabia Sadiq**, *Global Democratic Recession: Social and Political Factors Behind Pakistan's Struggle for Consolidation*, rsadiq1@student.gsu.edu
 - ii. **Larry Taulbee**, *American Civic Identify: Myths, Models, and Challenges*, psjt@emory.edu
 - iii. **Christopher Lawrence**, *Group Decision-Making in Open Source Development: Ranked-Choice Voting in Practice*, christopher.lawrence@mga.edu
 - iv. **Carol Strong**, *Machiavelli and Corruption: Applying Machiavellian Theory to Both Non-Democracies and Democratic Republics*, strong@uamont.edu

4. Title: Political Economy
 - a. Location: Cypress A
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Michael Baun**, mbaun@valdosta.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Ryan Avin, Curt Bonner, Maddie Chauvin, and John Tures**, *Developing A Smarter Financial Literacy Tool Designed To Boost Savings Among Younger People*, rvin@lagrange.edu, dbonner1@lagrange.edu, mchauvin@lagrange.edu, and jtures@lagrange.edu
 - ii. **Nam Aerang**, *Expressing Belief in Conflict: A Network Analysis of U.S. Energy Discourse*, nama@savannahstate.edu
 - iii. **Drew Gaither**, *Shared Burden or Personal Duty? Public Views on Paying for Medical Care*, rgaithel@students.kennesaw.edu
 - iv. **Zhu Yulei**, *The Resource Trap: When Does Economic Statecraft Succeed?*, yzhu30@student.gsu.edu

5. Roundtable: “Democracy in Transition” from the Perspective of Plato, Montesquieu, Shakespeare, Tolstoy, and Tocqueville
 - a. Location: Cypress B
 - b. Participants:
 - i. **Jack Moran**, jmoran@kennesaw.edu
 - ii. **Jerry Herbel**, jherbel@kennesaw.edu
 - iii. **Mark Kremer**, mkremer@kennesaw.edu
 - iv. **Richard Buckwalter**, r.a.buckwalter@gmail.com

Panel E

1. Title: Pajari Panel on Distinguished Undergraduate Research
 - a. Location: Mackay
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Joseph Robbins**, jwrobbins@valdosta.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Alyssa Archer**, *Dog Whistles and Dixie: Tracing the Nationalization of the Southern Strategy*, aarcher@valdosta.edu (Faculty mentor: Dr. Keith Lee)
 - ii. **Steven Covington**, *Democratization Across the Globe: Historical Context and Contemporary Factors*, secovington@valdosta.edu (Faculty mentor: Dr. James LaPlant)
 - iii. **Eli Polk**, *The Politics of Dealing with Difficult History: The Holocaust in the Baltic States* (Faculty mentor: Dr. Raluca Viman-Miller)
 - iv. **Olivia Holm**, *Communism and Reproductive Policies: Hungary and Romania* (Faculty Mentor: Dr. Raluca Viman-Miller)
 - v. **Emily Wright**, *The Impact of the Secure Fence Act on Births in the United States* (Faculty Mentor: Dr. Min Kim)

2. Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SOTL) Panel
 - a. Location: Harrington
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Hans Schmeisser**, hschmeisser@abac.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Michael Evans**, *Increasing Student Voting Confidence and Participation through Low-Cost Knowledge-Based Course Interventions*, michaelevans@gsu.edu
 - ii. **Kimberly Gill and Patrice Kerner**, *Making Political Science Relevant: Practitioners as Educators for a New Generation*, gill_kimberly1@columbusstate.edu and kerner_patrice@columbusstate.edu
 - iii. **Serri Seyed**, *A Survey of AI-Enabled Text Analysis Methods in Political Science: Background and Current State*, seyed.serri@ung.edu
 - iv. **John Tures**, *Command Decisions as a foreign policy simulation of the bureaucratic politics model*, jtures@lagrange.edu

3. Title: Gender Politics
 - a. Location: Frederica
 - b. Chair & Discussant
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Catherine Funk**, *Male Candidates in Transition: Gender Ownership and the Male Political*, cfunk@abac.edu
 - ii. **Julianna Johnston**, *Erasure by Executive Order: A Look into Anti-Trans Rhetoric*, JJOHN111@augusta.edu
 - iii. **Jenna Pittman**, *Stonewall Was a Rebellion, Not a Rainbow: A Critical Race and Intersectionality Theory Analysis*, jpittmal@lagrange.edu
 - iv. **Brian Smith**, *The Curious Case of Laura Williams*, brian.smith@gsw.edu

4. Roundtable: *The Nature of Chaos in Politics in America*
 - a. Location: Cypress A
 - b. Moderator: **Robert Smith**, rsmit27@uis.edu
 - c. Participants:
 - i. **Benn Bongang**, bongang@savannahstate.edu
 - ii. **Tom Doleys**, tdoleys@kennesaw.edu

5. EU Studies Executive Committee Meeting
 - o Location: Oak Room

President's Reception and Poster Session at 6pm

Location: Musgrove

- a. Poster session participants:
 - i. **Sidney Burkhalter**, *What, Like it's Hard? Combating Gender Bias in American Courtrooms*, sidney.burkhalter06@gmail.com
 - ii. **Timiyah McIntosh**, *Sexual Violence Leading to Movements: A Worldwide Phenomenon*, tm26509@georgiasouthern.edu
 - iii. **Keely Shipe**, *Disinformation Adaptation: Russia's Evolving Tactics*, kashipe@valdosta.edu

Friday, 7 November

Panel F

1. Title: Comparative Identity Politics and Political Movements
 - a. Location: Mackay
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Rabia Sadiq**, rsadiq1@student.gsu.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Koresh Meidan**, *Democratic Accommodation under Ideological Rigidity*, meidan.koresh@biu.ac.il
 - ii. **Raikhan Primbetov**, “ALZHIR” and the Politics of Memory: Historical Injustice and National Identity, rp1158@georgetown.edu
 - iii. **Kalantari Behrooz**, *International Law in Crisis: The Case of U.S. Support for Israeli Violations of Legal and Humanitarian Norms*, kalantab@savannahstate.edu
 - iv. **Mohamed Hisham**, *Students and Politics: The Political Role of Students under Transitional Regimes – A Case Study of the Faculty of Economic and Political Science Student Union (2011–2015)*, hisham.mohamed2022@feps.edu.eg
 - v. **Christopher Brown and Jacek Lubecki**, *The Strategic Rise of Popularism: Legitimacy Deficits and Elite Capture in Democratic Purgatory Regimes*, cmbrown@georgiasouthern.edu and jlubecki@georgiasouthern.edu
2. Title: Politics of Policing and Violence
 - a. Location: Harrington
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Ben Taylor**, jtayl369@kennesaw.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Toby Bolsen, Raisa Castro, and Raelee Hunt**, *Do (Mis)Perceptions of Violent Crime Rates in the U.S. Influence Public Punitiveness?*, tbolsen@gsu.edu, rcaastro5@student.gsu.edu, and rhunt16@student.gsu.edu
 - ii. **Drew Cagle**, *Framing Norm Violations*, dcagle@ccga.edu
 - iii. **Rudy Prine**, *A Review of Tenure for Georgia Sheriffs*, rkprine@valdosta.edu
 - iv. **Emily Wright and Min Kim**, *County Law Enforcement Characteristics on Crime Rates in Georgia*, emily.wright4@bobcats.gcsu.edu and min.kim@gcsu.edu

3. Title: Challenges of AI
 - a. Location: Frederica
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Seyed Serri**, seyed.serri@ung.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Matthew Collins**, *Democracy in Transition: AI Electioneering in the State of Georgia*, matthew.collins@asurams.edu
 - ii. **Laurel Wei**, *Continuity and Contestation: U.S. AI Strategy Across Three Administrations and the Future of Global Tech Governance*, laurel.wei@ung.edu
 - iii. **Dwight Wilson**, *AI, Democracy, and the Alignment Problem*, Dwight.wilson@ung.edu

4. *Roundtable: Greg Domin Roundtable on the Presidency: The Trump Administration's Second First Year: What happened, why it happened, and bold predictions for what it means for the American Political System*
 - a. Location: Cypress A
 - b. Moderator: **Hans Schmeisser**, hschmeisser@abac.edu
 - c. Participants:
 - i. **Lori Johnson**, johnson_la@mercerc.edu
 - ii. **Carl Cavalli**, carl.cavalli@ung.edu
 - iii. **Chris Grant**, grant_jc@mercerc.edu
 - iv. **Kristina LaPlant**, klaplant@uwlax.edu
 - v. **Kimberly Martin Tecklenburg**, kimberlymartin@georgiasouthern.edu
 - vi. **Andrew Smith**, Andrew.smith@abac.edu
 - vii. **Catherine Funk**, cfunk@abac.edu

Panel G

1. Title: Political Communication and Socialization
 - a. Location: Mackay
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Ryan Carlin**, rcarlin@gsu.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Thomas Ellington**, *Hidden in Plain Sight: The Phenomenon of Suburban News Deserts*, ellington.wesleyancollege@gmail.com
 - ii. **Kristina LaPlant and Kenyon Dalton**, *Examining Rhetorical and Linguistic Patterns at the 2024 National Party Conventions: A Linguistic Inquiry and Word Count (LIWC) Analysis*, klaplant@uwlax.edu and dltknyn@gmail.com
 - iii. **Judd Thornton and Raelee Hunt**, *Explaining Generational Patterns in Democratic Satisfaction*, jrthornton@gsu.edu and rhunt16@student.gsu.edu
 - iv. **Nicolas Williams**, *From Baby Boomers to Gen Z: A Correlational Analysis on Voter Turnout and Social Media Engagement in the 2020 U.S. General Election*, nwilliams170@student.gsu.edu

2. Title: American Politics: Polarization edition
 - a. Location: Harrington
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **Michael Evans**, michaelevans@gsu.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Karla Drenner**, *Polarization, Backsliding, and Public Accommodations: LGBTQ+ Rights and Democracy*, kdrenner@purdueglobal.edu
 - ii. **Joseph Gershtenson**, *The Loathing Continues: Trump's Reelection, Incivility, and Affective Polarization*, joseph.gershtenson@ung.edu
 - iii. **Behrooz Kalantari**, *What factors within the fractured U.S. political system hinder the emergence of strong political leadership*, kalantab@savannahstate.edu
 - iv. **Madison Lussier**, *Preventing Polarization: Limiting Unilateral Action*, mcluss0715@ung.edu
 - v. **Grace Pittman**, *Legislative Effectiveness, Procedural Advantage, and Intraparty Factions in the House*, gpittma1@ega.edu

3. Title: Public Administration and Local Politics
 - a. Location: Frederica
 - b. Chair & Discussant: **April Johnson**, ajohn551@kennesaw.edu
 - c. Panelists:
 - i. **Clint Backstrom**, *Assessment of the Town-Gown Relationship Amongst the University of West Georgia and Carrollton Georgia*, clintbackstrom@gmail.com
 - ii. **Jing He**, *Policy through a Neoclassical Realist Lens*, jing.he@ung.edu
 - iii. **Min Kim**, *Evaluating the Impact of Economic Development Initiatives on County-Level Outcomes in Georgia*, min.kim@gcsu.edu
 - iv. **Leah Pieper, David Pena, Lisa Holland-Davis, and Jason Davis**, *County political leaning and health-related predictors of social mobility in Georgia*, leahpieper@clayton.edu, davidpena@clayton.edu, lisaholland-davis@clayton.edu, and jasondavis@clayton.edu
 - v. **Ben Taylor, Kerwin Swint, and Charalampos Stathopoulos**, *Election Administration – A View from the Trenches*, jtayl369@kennesaw.edu, kswint@kennesaw.edu, and cstathop@students.kennesaw.edu

4. *Roundtable: Ethics of Dissent*
 - a. Location: Cypress A
 - b. Moderator: **Luisa Diaz-Kope**, luisa.diazkope@ung.edu
 - c. Participants:
 - i. **Joseph Gershtenson**, joseph.gershtenson@ung.edu
 - ii. **Jing He**, jing.he@ung.edu
 - iii. **Jaimie Kelly**, jaimie.kelly@ung.edu
 - iv. **Keith Lee**, keilee@valdosta.edu

GPSA Business Meeting, 12:15pm

Location: Musgrove Room