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ISPP Junior Scholars Committee

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The ISPP Junior Scholars Committee (JSC) gives voice and visibility to the needs and interests of graduate students, junior faculty, and other early career scholars within ISPP. A Junior Scholar is defined as a graduate student or person within eight years of having earned their degree. The JSC's goals include providing information and assistance to junior scholars' efforts to conduct political psychology research, helping them to develop their careers, and supporting their attendance at the ISPP annual meetings.

2012 - 2013 JSC

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*We'd love to hear from
you!*

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Chair's Address

Hello Junior Scholars!

The Junior Scholars Committee (JSC) has been hard at work. In this newsletter you will find information on what we have in store for you at the **ISPP annual meeting** this summer. We are happy that we can award 13 **Travel Awards** of up to 500 USD to assist Junior Scholars who will be presenting at the annual conference. Read below how you can apply for this award. You will also find information on how to sign up for the **Mentoring Tea** program, what we are planning for this year's **JSC Roundtables** as well as more information about the **Summer Academy**. And of course, at the annual meeting the **Junior Scholars Social Hour** is not forgotten! The Social Hour is the opportunity for networking among peers in a relaxed atmosphere. Always well-attended, it is a great place to meet old friends and make new ones!

Apart from conference activities, the JSC is active on the web. Perhaps you have seen that the **JSC Blog** now regularly solicits contributions from Junior Scholars on particular themes. Read in this newsletter what has been written so far, what will be our next theme and how *you* can contribute.

Furthermore, we are happy to announce that we are accepting **(self-)nominations for the 2013-**

2014 JSC, taking office after the annual meeting. Serving on the JSC provides you with the opportunity to get in touch and work with junior and established scholars throughout the world, it gives you the experience of working in an international and academic society such as the ISPP, and it will help to ensure that the ISPP will take into account the unique needs of Junior Scholars. We strongly encourage you to become involved and join the JSC!

Are you curious how past and current JSC members look back at being involved with the JSC? Read some of their **experiences** in this newsletter!

As always, we appreciate any comments, advice or feedback on how we can best serve you. You can reach us at **jsc@ispp.org**.

From the Junior Scholars Committee, we wish you a productive semester and we are excited to see you in Herzliya!!

Jolanda van der Noll
JSC Chair 2012-2013



2013 ISPP Annual Meeting

Herzliya, Israel

ISPP Junior Scholars Travel Awards

The International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) Junior Scholars Committee is pleased to announce the **2013 Junior Scholar Travel Award Competition**. Up to thirteen (13) awards of a maximum of 500 USD each will be awarded to Junior Scholars for travel to the ISPP annual meeting in Herzliya, Israel, July 8-11, 2013.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. The applicant must be a paid ISPP member as of 30 April 2013.
2. The applicant must be a Junior Scholar (i.e., graduate student or person within 8 years of having earned their degree).
3. The applicant must be first or sole author on an accepted poster or symposium presentation.
4. The applicant must attend the 2013 ISPP meeting to receive the award.

Application Procedure and Deadline:

To be considered for a travel award, the following materials must be submitted via email:

1. A completed Travel Award Application (can be found [here](#)).
2. A detailed budget plan.
3. A non-identifying copy of the submitted abstract (only one abstract per applicant).

Application Deadline: 30 April 2013

Please note: The Travel Awards are intended to assist junior scholars to attend the conference. Unfortunately, we are not able to cover all expenses and strongly encourage applicants to search for additional sources of funding.

Email the completed application form, budget plan, and your submitted abstract to jsc@ispp.org. Please omit all personally identifying information (e.g., authors, affiliation) from the contents of the abstract.

Decision Process and Notification:

Applications will be blind-reviewed by the Travel Award Committee. Decisions will be based on the excellence of the submitted conference abstract and financial needs of the applicant. Winners will be notified by e-mail no later than 15 May 2013.

Award Disbursement:

Awards will be given as reimbursements to recipients after the conference. Recipients should be prepared to submit receipts for travel costs incurred (e.g., airline tickets, hotel accommodations). Recipients will receive the amount equivalent to their travel costs, up to 500 USD (if travel costs are less than 500 USD, the recipient will receive an amount equal to his/her travel expenses).

Please address inquiries to the JSC Travel Award Committee at jsc@ispp.org

Sign up for the Mentoring Tea!

This year's conference will once again host the popular **Junior Scholar Mentoring Tea**, which provides junior scholars with the opportunity to connect with leading researchers in their area of research. Through small-group discussions (usually 3 junior scholars per mentor), the event offers junior scholars the chance for mentorship beyond their advisors or committee members. After the annual meeting, mentors and mentees are encouraged to maintain communication with one another.

Please consider signing up as a mentor. We would be delighted to add your name to the list so that junior scholars may have the opportunity to meet with you and learn from your experience. Young scholars are welcome too.

If you agree to participate in the Mentoring Tea **as a Mentor**, then please fill out the short form at the following website: <http://tinyurl.com/ISPPmentor>

Junior Scholars interested in participating **as Mentees** can sign up through a two-step process:

1. Check off Junior Scholars Mentoring Tea in the registration menu on the conference registration website;
2. Email Monica Gerber and Jojanneke van der Toorn at ispp.mentoringtea@gmail.com.

You will then receive more information regarding the mentoring tea and be matched with a mentor as soon as the final list of mentors is available.

Feel free to contact us with questions or comments at ispp.mentoringtea@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

**Jojanneke
Monica**

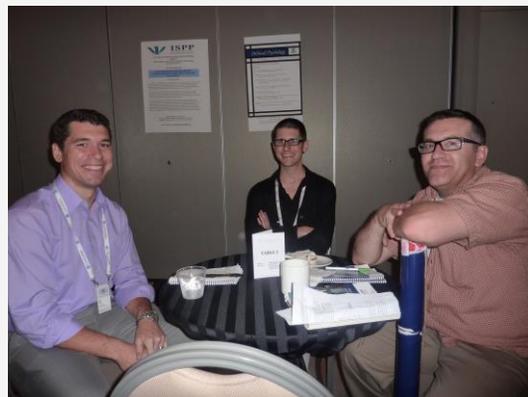
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JSC Mentorship Program

2012's Mentoring Tea (Chicago)



JSC Roundtables

Research and Public Policy & Teaching Political Psychology

At the annual meeting this year in Herzliya, Israel, the Junior Scholars Committee will host two roundtables. The themes of this year's roundtables are **Research and Public Policy** and **Teaching Political Psychology**. Both provide an excellent opportunity for junior scholars to pose questions to established scholars, talk about issues junior scholars face, and create a network to support their future work. We welcome all emerging academics (and other interested scholars) to join us in discussing these topics with our invited experts.

One roundtable will focus on **translational research and public policy**, addressing the integration of political psychology as a scientific discipline and putting knowledge gained by political psychologists into practice. Political psychology has a unique perspective to inform public policy and intervention programs in settings of intergroup conflict and political transition, among others. The goal of the roundtable is to go beyond merely understanding problems or discussing possible solutions and to discuss how this knowledge could be implemented into concrete policies or programs. In this roundtable, scholars who have been successful in designing and developing translational research, empirically-informed interventions, and influential policy advice for decision-makers will share their experiences and insights.

A second roundtable addresses issues concerning **teaching political psychology** to undergraduate and graduate students. The Junior Scholars Committee is organizing this roundtable to focus on teaching experiences, pedagogies, and strategies for emerging scholars interested in teaching political psychology classes. The goal is to generate awareness about resources, textbooks, and syllabi that do exist, as well as to brainstorm for solutions to unmet needs. The discussion will also focus on how to integrate political psychology into the existing curriculum and how to recruit students for these courses.

Various scholars will be invited speak and share their experiences in these roundtable discussions. We encourage all junior scholars to join and participate in these roundtables. Furthermore, to make the roundtables tailored to the interests of junior scholars we would

like to invite you to email your questions and concerns with regards to the themes of the roundtables you would like to see addressed during the meetings. You are welcome to send your email to JSC Professional Development Co-chairs Sanne Rijkhoff (sanne.rijkhoff@wsu.edu) and Laura Taylor (ltaylo12@nd.edu).

More information about the time and location of these roundtables will be available on [JSC page](#) of the ISPP website soon.

Sanne

Laura

JSC Professional Development

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Taylor



Applications for the **ISPP 2013 Summer Academy (ISPP-SA)**, Herzliya, Israel are now closed. The ISPP – SA Committee is currently reviewing all applications and will notify applicants **by April 22, 2013.**

We received a very large number of strong applications, from undergraduate and

postgraduate students as well as post-doctoral fellows and practitioners. Our prospective Summer Academy fellows will travel from Australia, Belgium, Georgia, Germany, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Liberia, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Poland, Switzerland, Uganda, UK and USA, and meet in Herzliya, Israel to form a truly multi-disciplinary group, spanning across sister disciplines: Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, and History.

The 2013 Fellows will be invited to attend the [six research-led courses](#):

- Political action, motivation and the socio-political context of felt emotions (offered by **Bettina Davou**),
- Multiculturalism, Conflict and Integration (**Catarina Kinnvall**),
- Studying Political Decision Making (**Richard R. Lau**),
- Multicultural Identities and Citizenship (**Paul Nesbitt-Larking**),
- Intergroup politics: The tension between general psychological theories and specific historical contexts (**David O. Sears**)
- Theory of Gendered Prejudice (**Jim Sidanius**),
- Introduction to Political Psychology (**Leonie Huddy** and **Stanley Feldman**).

The six thematic courses will cover theoretical and methodological advancements in the instructors' specific areas of research, and the introductory session will provide a survey of the field focusing on specific theoretical and methodological approaches. In addition to attending courses, the 2013 Summer Academy Fellows will participate in activities aiming to enhance their understanding of the taught material and promote the application of core principles from the field of Political Psychology in their own research. Fellows will engage with the instructors in breakout group discussions where they will develop new research projects and ideas. Fellows and instructors will also participate in a research exhibition, where they will engage in informal conversations and presentations about their own research, with the aim to build future research collaborations.

For further information on the 2013 ISPP-SA, visit our [website](#).

Missed your change this year? Information on the 2014 ISPP Summer Academy will be available soon.

For any questions, please contact [Dr. Tereza Capelos](#) or [Miss Stavroula Chrona](#).

We are looking forward to seeing you in Israel!

Tereza Capelos

Director of the ISPP Summer Academy

Stavroula Chrona

Administrative Assistant of the ISPP Summer Academy

Junior Scholars on the Internet

News from the Junior Scholars Blog

Hopefully you have noticed some new developments at the [Junior Scholars Blog](#) in recent months. We have begun to accept submissions on various themes of interest to junior scholars. Our first theme was **Identity** and on this we received and posted three pieces from junior scholars. Yasemin Acar contributed a personal [exploration](#) of the notion of hyphenated identities; Yashpal Jogdand provided an [account](#) of the emotional consequences associated with the caste system in India; and Angel Saavedra Cisneros's [piece](#) discussed the issue of multiple identities, with a specific focus on Latino identities in the USA.

Our second theme was **Psychological consequences of the economic recession**. So far we have posted one piece on this theme – Rosalie D. Clarke's [consideration](#) of the potentially positive outcomes of economic recession.

We hope you have enjoyed the pieces so far and will continue to watch this space for future features and developments.

Please get in touch at s.chrona@surrey.ac.uk or eodwyer01@qub.ac.uk if you have suggestions on how the blog can be improved, or if you have ideas about potential themes or pieces.

Stavroula Chrona

Emma O' Dwyer

JSC Blog Editors

Call for submissions: "Applying for Research Grants"

Deadline: 14 June, 2013

We are pleased to announce our next call for submissions for the [ISPP—Junior Scholars Blog](#). This call inaugurates a new cycle of topics around themes related to professional development targeting junior scholars. The first topic is ***Applying for Research Grants***.

Considering the multi-disciplinary approach that almost all international organisations offering funding opportunities to junior scholars, have taken during the last years, we have decided to focus on this by looking specifically at the process of applying for research grants. Taken into account that research funding per se is one of the main forces that drives research, it is important to share advices and lessons learnt from those who have been involved in writing applications in order to obtain research grants.

With the aim to exchange ideas, tips but also advices for those who are planning to submit a research grant in the near future, we are inviting for short pieces on this topic. The maximum words limit is between 600- 800 words.

If you would like to make a submission, or ask any questions about submitting your piece, please contact us at s.chrona@surrey.ac.uk or eodwyer01@qub.ac.uk. **The deadline for submissions on the theme of 'Applying for Research Grants' is on 14 June, 2013.** We strongly encourage early submissions (even if it is much

before the closing date), so please feel free to send us your piece as soon as you complete it.

As a final note, we would like to invite you to keep an eye on our blog and take part in the open dialogue by sharing your ideas and comments on the pieces that have been already uploaded and also on those we will be uploading in due time.

We are looking forward to receiving your contributions and hearing your ideas on this hot topic!

Best wishes,
Emma O' Dwyer
Stavroula Chrona
JSC Blog Editors

JSC Web resources

Together with our **Blog**, the JSC **Twitter** account ([@ISPP_JSC](#)) and **Facebook** page ([/ISPPJuniorScholars](#)) are the places to find up to date information on conferences, publications, open positions, and discussions of interest to (junior) scholars in political psychology. And be sure to check and contribute to our **wiki-page**, which gives an overview of the [upcoming conferences](#) in our thriving field.

Become involved and join the JSC!

Call for nominations for the 2013-2014 JSC

The JSC serves the needs of ISPP's students and early career scholars, and is an integral part of the ISPP by working with members of the ISPP, organizing events at the annual meeting, and maintaining several online sites that facilitate communication across the discipline. Serving on the JSC is an excellent opportunity to meet and work with other members of the ISPP, guide the JSC in meeting the needs of Junior Scholars, experience a "behind the scenes" of an academic society, and boost your curriculum vitae with international committee experience.

We are now accepting nominations for the 2013-2014 term of the JSC for the following positions:

Chair-elect (1)

Working under the current chair, the Chair-elect is responsible for learning the ins and outs of the JSC in preparation for taking the lead as JSC Chair the following year. To ensure sufficient experience with the JSC the chair-elect will simultaneously hold either one of the other positions in the JSC.

Duties as the **JSC Chair** include writing reports to the Governing Council, overseeing the JSC budget, and representing the interests of Junior Scholars in the ISPP. The JSC Chair is encouraged to attend the Governing Council (twice a year, one of which takes place during the annual meeting) and receives some financial support from ISPP to cover travel costs for attending these meetings.

The position of Chair-elect anticipates a three-year term of service to the JSC, one year as chair-elect (combined with another position in the JSC), one year as chair, and the third year in capacity of chair ex-officio.

Mentorship program coordinator (1)

The Mentoring Tea is organized during the annual meeting of the ISPP to facilitate one-to-

one meetings between junior scholars and leading researchers in their area. While enjoying tea and cookies, small groups of junior scholars meet their mentor and discuss their research interests and projects. After the annual meeting, mentors and mentees are encouraged to maintain communication with one another.

The Mentorship Program Coordinators are in charge of inviting mentors and mentees to sign-up for the Mentroship Tea, inform them about their assigned mentor/mentees, and make sure that the Tea runs smoothly during the conference.

Professional development coordinator (1)

At the annual meeting of the ISPP, the JSC hosts typically two roundtables focussing on aspects of professional development for students and early career researchers in Political Psychology. The Professional development coordinators are in charge of organizing the roundtables at the annual meeting, by setting the theme and inviting scholars to participate in these roundtables.

Newsletter editor (1)

The newsletter of the JSC is published twice a year to inform ISPP's students and early career researchers about what is going on in the ISPP, the JSC, and the field of Political Psychology. The Newsletter Editors are in charge of collecting contributions for the newsletter from other people both within and outside the JSC and to compile the newsletter.

How to apply:

To apply for a position in the Junior Scholars Committee submit the following materials to jsc@ispp.org:

- A **brief statement** in which you elaborate on your interest in the JSC and political psychology, how you would like to contribute to the JSC, your

experiences relevant to the JSC, and which position is of most interest to you and why. *If you apply for the position of chair-elect, please also indicate with which other position you would prefer to combine this.*

- An **abbreviated curriculum vitae** (max. 2 pages including **(a)** Your name, **(b)** your country and affiliation, **(c)** your discipline, **(d)** your educational background, **(e)** your current status (e.g., graduate student, postdoctoral researcher, faculty member, ...) and **(f)** your organizational and committee experiences in ISPP or elsewhere).

Deadline: 30 April 2013

All members of the JSC serve a **two-year term**, except the chair-elect (which is a three year commitment). To make our committee more representative of ISPP's membership, we are looking for representatives from every continent and both disciplines. All JSC members are encouraged - but not required - to attend ISPP's annual meeting.

Decision process and notification

A selection committee comprised of JSC members and Governing Council members will review the applications. The 2013-2014 JSC will be announced by the end of May with the new term beginning after the annual meeting in July.

Feel free to email us with any questions - jsc@ispp.org - the current JSC members are happy to assist you in any way possible.

Thank you for your interest and good luck!

Why they enjoy(ed) being a JSC member

As I remember, the formation of the JSC was driven by a number of us who knew each other from the Summer Institute's Ohio State days, and by the Governing Council. I can't understate how supportive the GC was of us and the idea that "new" scholars needed some institutional support to maintain the ties that brought us to ISPP (SIPP and our subsequent ISPP Annual Meeting attendance). I recall being at the GC meeting where we were first approved for \$75, to support a lunch meeting at the next annual conference. We used that to meet and launch our mentorship program and other initiatives. Since then, the GC has approved increasing amounts and now supports travel funds, graduate student paper awards, a dissertation award, a JSC reception, and a mentoring tea. It has been wonderful to see the JSC become such an essential part of ISPP and of the annual meeting!

Andrea Grove

Professor of Political Science

Channel Islands California State University

I have had a wonderful experience these past two years serving as the Web Resources Editor for the Junior Scholars Committee. Each day I wake up and spend about 30 to 40 minutes searching the web for information about conferences, journals and funding opportunities to share on the ISPP Facebook page and Twitter account (@ISPP_JSC). Each time I post something it is with that hope that it helps someone—an undergraduate searching for a topic to research in graduate school, a graduate student unsure about which conference to attend, or a junior scholar unaware of a funding opportunity to help get a research program off the ground—further his or her academic career. It is rewarding when something that is posted on Facebook or Twitter gets a response, either a comment or a retweet, and realizing that you are not only spreading awareness of ISPP, but also helping to build and maintain a strong community of political psychologists.

The skills that I have cultivated during my time as Web Resources Editor I have put to good use in my own research, specifically strategies related to the use of social media in spreading awareness of my own research as well as employing social media to recruit participants for online surveys. If you are a graduate student or a junior scholar, I strongly urge you to consider joining the Junior Scholars Committee and, if you are particularly interested in social media, becoming the next Web Resources Editor!

Andrew Pilecki

Web Resources

University of California, Santa Cruz

I don't think I can encourage people enough to participate and get involved with the JSC and ISPP. I started volunteering with the JSC during my first conference experience fresh into graduate school. On the JSC I was able to do a little bit of everything at one point or another (e.g., solicit syllabi for the teaching resources; organize the mentoring tea; even serve as JSC chair).

The wonderful thing about ISPP is that it is a smaller society, so as a junior member, it is not difficult to meet other more senior and well-respected members at the annual scientific meeting. But being a part of the JSC enabled me to learn first-hand about the organization and the extent to which it supports and encourages its junior members. Being on the JSC is a great opportunity to meet new people around the world who share similar scholarly interests, and to work closely with colleagues (both on the junior level and on the senior level). What better way to get to know people that you look up to and respect in the field?

Janice Adelman

In my fourth semester in graduate school I decided to apply for a position on the Junior Scholars Committee. Since June, I enjoyed the opportunity to work with Laura Taylor on organizing two roundtables for the upcoming annual meeting of the ISPP. Working on ideas to meet the needs and interests of junior scholars provided a welcome balance to the many hours I spend reading and writing. Since Laura and I both started this year as professional development coordinator we still needed to figure out most steps of the process of organizing these roundtables. Luckily our committee chair, Jolanda, was and is always very helpful, keeping us updated and informed and providing information and help where needed.

Even though Laura and I never met, we seem to work extremely well together. All of our contact is through email but we managed to exchange ideas, make decisions and keep regular contact with each other but also with other members of the JSC. Both of us are very pro-active which seems to be a necessary skill for this position. Laura took over when I was taking my preliminary exams and I could take over as well when her conferences and some JSC deadlines came at the same time.

Thus far, I have had a great time working for the JSC. If you like to meet (junior) scholars who have the same passion, build a network and work with political psychology in a more practical way, I highly recommend applying for a position on the JSC. It definitely gives you the experience and the opportunity to shape the field of political psychology for junior scholars.

Sanne A.M. Rijkhoff

Professional Development Coordinator

Washington State University

I have greatly benefited from serving as co-chair of the professional development section of the Junior Scholar's Committee (JSC) for the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) over the past year. There are three primary areas in which this role has helped to advance my professional goals.

First, my co-chair and I have developed a wonderful working partnership. Even though we have never met face-to-face, we can share openly, brainstorm to generate many ideas in a short period of time, edit each other's work to develop a clear message in our public communication, and balance the workload of the JSC with our own studies.

Second, this partnership extends beyond my co-chair, to include the wider JSC committee. For example, there is ample opportunity to contribute your opinions to affect decisions such as JSC travel funding, or to help to develop new types of awards or recognitions that may help to further the career goals of emerging scholars. It's an incredible opportunity to affect both short-term and long-term decision making within ISPP by having a voice in the decisions that affect our peers, and to have those messages passed along to the governing council.

Third, the professional development committee has been able to develop and form roundtable discussions on areas that are important to us (e.g., translational research and teaching of political psychology) at the annual meeting. Each of these aspects has helped connect me with my peers and senior scholars in the ISPP network.

Laura K. Taylor

Professional Development Co-Chair

University of Notre Dame

I first joined the JSC in 2002, when I was invited out to dinner with the committee members at that year's annual meeting in Berlin. I soon agreed to serve as the JSC Newsletter Co-editor, and was then elected JSC Chair in 2005. As JSC Chair, I began attending Governing Council meetings, which allowed me to gain a greater perspective on the activities of the society as a whole, and gave me the opportunity to advocate for greater opportunities and resources for junior scholars such as

travel grants and the Best Dissertation Award (which I am very proud to have helped establish!). My service experience on the JSC next helped me to be elected as a full Governing Council member in 2008, and then as ISPPNews Editor.

While there has been a lot of work involved in these various roles, I can honestly say that it has never felt like a burden. I have met so many fun and fascinating people through ISPP – it is the one meeting I attend where I know that I will learn something new and fascinating, and make at least one new friend every time! Being involved with the JSC also helped me to build my professional network early in my career – working with senior scholars on ISPP committees or fundraising projects often led to talking about our latest research ideas over dinner, which is a great way to get to know people in your field!

So if you love political psychology, meeting new people, and international travel, then I would definitely encourage you to consider serving on the ISPP Junior Scholars Committee. The nomination process has become a bit more formal over the years as the committee has grown and diversified, and you need to be willing to put in some work and bring new ideas to the table, but in my experience the rewards of this kind of service far outweigh the time and effort involved.

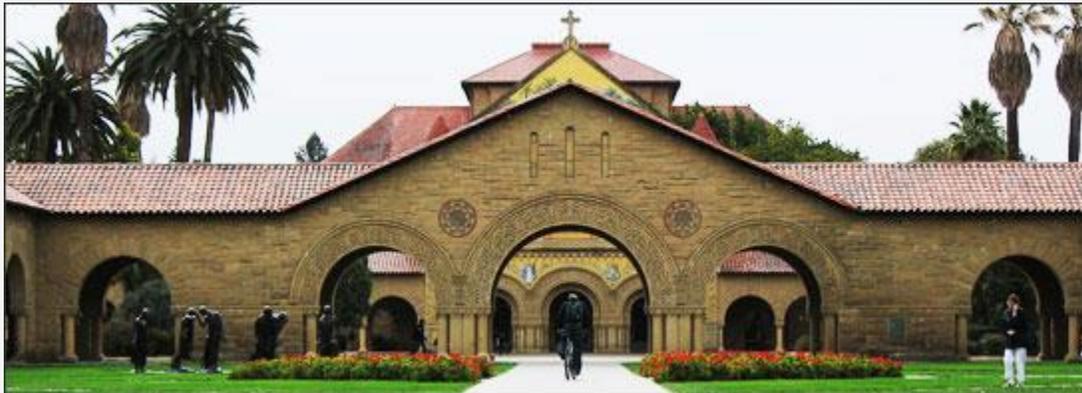
I hope that you will consider serving, and that I get a chance to meet you too at a future meeting!

Melinda Jackson

Associate Professor of Political Science

San Jose State University

San Jose, California



Summer Institute in Political Psychology

Stanford University, July 14 - August 3, 2013

The Summer Institute in Political Psychology (SIPP) is a three-week intensive training program that introduces graduate students, faculty members, and professionals to the world of political psychology. The curriculum is designed to produce skilled, creative, and effective scholarly researchers who will do more and better work in political psychology as the result of their attendance at SIPP.

More information can be found at [SIPP's website](#).

Did you move?

Please make sure that the ISPP has your up to date contact details so you won't miss out on any newsletters or other information of the ISPP and the Political Psychology journal. To review and update your contact details please login on the [ISPP website](#).

We'd love to hear from you!

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