



Political Geography
Specialty Group

2015 PGSG PRECONFERENCE SCHEDULE

DePaul University
Monday April 20 2015

8:00 – 8:15 Check-in & registration (*coffee & light snacks*)

8:15 – 8:30 Welcoming remarks (Student Center 325)

8:30 – 10:30 Sessions I and II

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 – 12:30 Sessions III and IV

12:30 – 2:00 Lunch

2:00 – 3:45 Sessions V and VI

3:45 – 4:00 Coffee break

4:00 – 6:00 Session VII and VIII

6:00 – PGSG Annual Dinner (*Noodles in the Pot, 2453 N. Halsted St.*)

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\$20 registration fee for faculty and postdocs, receipts provided; no fee for grads

Room and building details, link to map @

<http://www.politicalgeography.org/pre-conference/>

DePaul Geography: 773-325-7669

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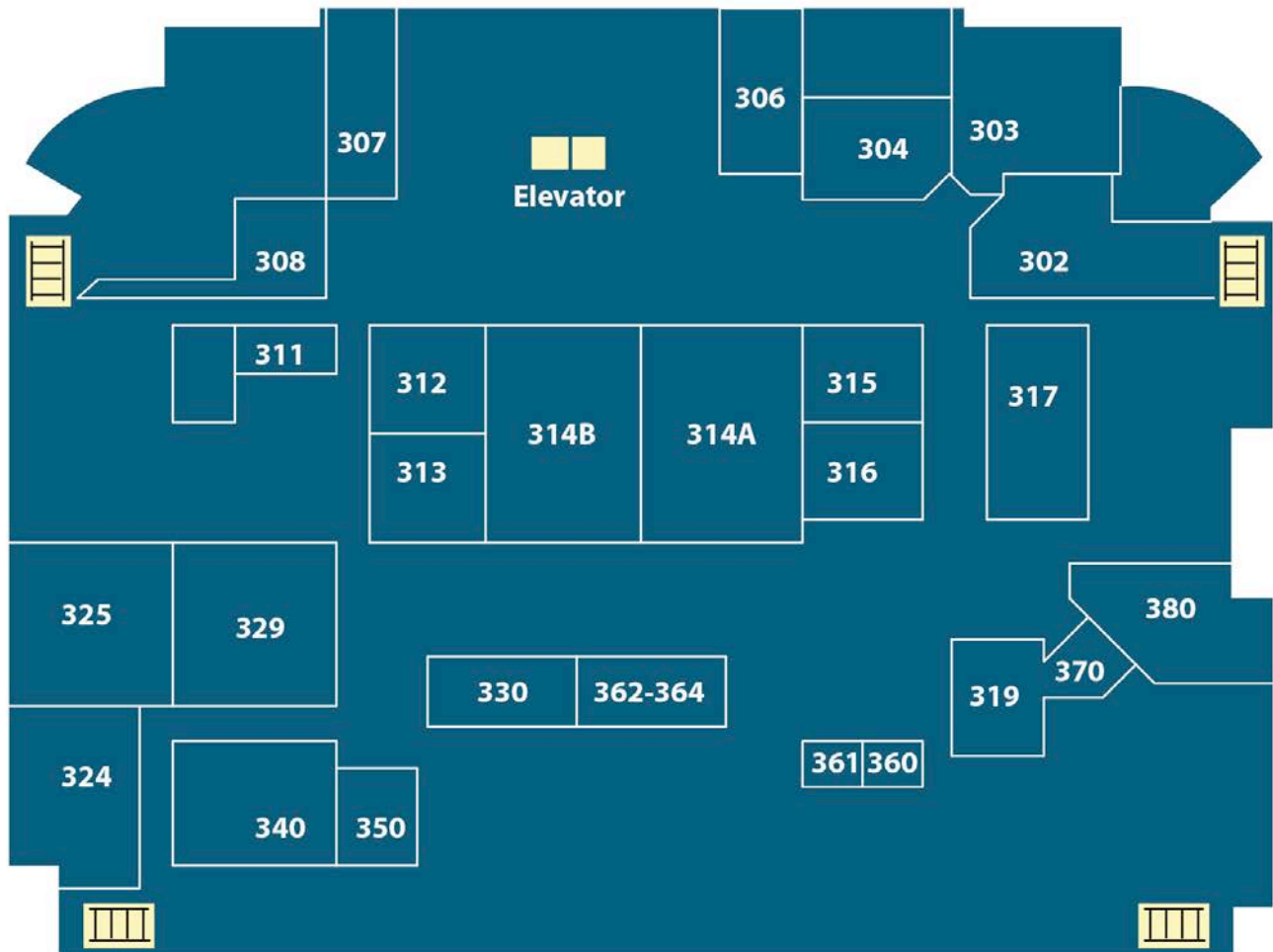
Student Center 325

Natalie Koch, Syracuse University

Kara Dempsey, DePaul University

Lincoln Park Student Center

3rd Floor • 2250 N. Sheffield Ave.



302	Student Leadership Institute	314A	Meeting Room
303	Student Centers Administration	314B	Meeting Room
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307	Dean of Students	317	Student Mail Center
	Office of Student Enhancement	319	Office of Diversity Education
	Office of International Studies	324	Meeting Room
	LGBTQA Student Services	325	Meeting Room
308	Student Legal Services	329	Muslim Life Center
311	University Ministry	330-332	CDM Media Center
312	Meeting Room	340	Jewish Life Center
313	Meeting Room	350	Counseling Services
		362-364	CDM Media Center
		370	Center for Students with Disabilities
		380	Meeting Room

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Session I: Violence, Governance, and Resistance – Student Center 325

Chair: Kara Dempsey, DePaul University

1) Reterritorializing the core: Geographies of police militarization in the US

Steven M. Radil and Raymond Dezanni, Department of Geography, University of Idaho

2) Regionalizing Refugee Governance in the Asia-Pacific: Australia's region building and securitization response to asylum seekers

Josh Watkins, Geography Graduate Group, UC Davis

3) Relative and absolute contextual explanations for Kenyan election violence: The incumbency incentive and regional demographic composition

Andrew M. Linke, University of Colorado, Boulder

4) Hegemonic Turning Points: Vietnam, Iraq and the All-Volunteer Force

Doug Foster, Department of Geography, University of Oregon

5) Film and the Politics of Resistance

Kenneth D. Madsen, Department of Geography, The Ohio State University

6) Geopolitics of Antisystem Movements in an Age of Decline Hegemony

Raymond Dezanni and Steven M. Radil, Department of Geography, University of Idaho

Session II. Resource Economies and Environmental Governance – Student Center 324

Chair: Benjamin Forest, McGill University

1) Fired Up: Wildland Firefighter Safety Policy in Perspective

Samuel Younger Lobby, Department of Geography, University of Kansas

2) Governance in Russia's Arctic Natural Resource Centers: Extending Norilsk's Migration Restrictions

Genevieve Parente, Department of Geography, University of British Columbia

3) Power and action: Environmental Governance and the Shouf Biosphere Reserve

Robert Greeley, Arabic, Middlebury College

4) The Right to Someone Else's City: trans-border representation in development planning in Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil

Peter Wood, Department of Geography, Florida State University

5) Want, Waste, or War?

Corey Johnson, Department of Geography, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

6) Afforestation and the Production of Political Charisma on the Korean Peninsula: Divided Visions, United Vista

Robert Winstanley-Chesters, School of Geography, University of Leeds and University of Cambridge

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 – 12:30 Sessions III and IV

Session III: Nation and Identity – Student Center 325

Chair: Shannon O'Lear, University of Kansas

1) The Land of Storms and the region “where the country’s heart beats”: discursive and material (re)productions of centre-periphery relations in Hungary

Péter Balogh, Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences

2) From rakı to ayran: regulating the place and practice of drinking in Turkey

Kyle T. Evered, Geography, and Emine Ö. Evered, History, Michigan State University

3) Fantasies of the nation: desiring Turkey in Azerbaijan

Elisabeth Militz, Department of Geography, University of Zurich

4) Nature and Nation in the Lanzhou's Yellow River Scenic Corridor

Afton Clarke-Sather, Department of Geography, The University of Delaware

5) Contiguity, Political Community, and the Problem of Minority Representation

Benjamin Forest, Department of Geography, and Mike Medeiros, Center for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, McGill University

Session IV: Militarism, Technology, and Logistics – Student Center 324

Chair: Corey Johnson, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

1) Transnational militarism: Everyday diplomacies of interoperability in NATO

Jason Dittmer, Department of Geography, University College, London

2) The means of war: Counterinsurgency and logistics in the humanitarian present

Wesley Attewell, Department of Geography, University of British Columbia

3) #Stacktivism: The political work of a technological imaginary

James Merricks White, NIRSA, Maynooth University

4) Redacted in the Interest of Public Security: a Statistical Methodology for Analysing Document Redactions and the Case of Frontex in the Central Mediterranean Sea, 2006-2014

Keegan Williams, Geography and Environmental Studies, Wilfrid Laurier University

5) Mulberry Harbours, D-Day and the Creation of the 'Anglo-American' Orbit: Towards the idea of Geopolitical Constructs

Colin Flint, Department of Political Science, Utah State University

12:30 – 2:00 Lunch

Session V: Theorizing Political Geography: Key Topics & Debates – Student Center 325

Chair: Jason Dittmer, University College, London

1) Rethinking political geography through aesthetics

Alan Ingram, Department of Geography, University College London

2) Science and Technology Studies and Political Geography: Theory and Applications

Nathaniel Ray Pickett and Shannon O’Lear, Department of Geography, University of Kansas

3) Shards and Splinters: Power and Space viewed from Doha, Qatar

Robina Mohammad, Institute of Asian Studies, Universiti Brunei Darussalam
James Sidaway, Department of Geography, National University of Singapore

4) We entrepreneurial academics: Creating spatial hierarchies and interpreting diasporic academics’ motives to work at Gulf Arab institutes of higher education

Natalie Koch, Department of Geography, Syracuse University

5) Writing Political Geography for the General Public

Alexander B. Murphy, Department of Geography, University of Oregon

Session VI. Borders: Theory and Practice – Student Center 313

Chair: Afton Clarke-Sather, University of Delaware

1) Drawing Borders to Dispossess and Placing Dakota People in the Present: Alternative Territorialities in *Mni Sota Makoce*

Kelsey Carlson, Department of Geography, Syracuse University

2) Converging and Diverging Narratives: The Role of Identity, Self-determination, and Economic Development in the New Caledonian Independence Debate

Cadey Korson, Department of Geography, Kent State University

3) Badges, Batman, and Baseball Cards: Or, How Sheriff's Offices Conceptualize Immigration Enforcement in the Nuevo South

Austin Kocher, Department of Geography, The Ohio State University

4) Practicing Globalisation: Passengers' Spatial Praxis in International Airports

Yvonne Rinkart, Department of International Politics, Aberystwyth University

5) Borders and Boundaries, Nodes and Networks, Systems and Assemblages: Past and Present Perspectives on the Political Organization of Space and Place

Joshua Hagen, Department of Geography, Marshall University

3:45 – 4:00 Break

4:00 – 6:00 Session VII and VIII

Session VII. Borders and geopolitics in the Middle East – Student Center 325

Chair: Kenneth Madsen, Ohio State University, Newark

1) Breaker of Barriers? Syria's Borders in the Shadow of Sykes-Picot

Ali Nehmé Hamdan, Department of Geography, UCLA

2) The Question of Israel and the Geopolitics of Solidarity

Gerry Kearns, Department of Geography, Maynooth University

3) Map-Making for Palestinian State-Making

Christine Leuenberger, Department of Science and Technology Studies, Cornell University

4) Construction as Commemoration: Memorializing Violence through West Bank Settlement Construction

Sara Hughes, Department of Geography, UCLA

5) Blood Borders and a Better Middle East and North Africa?

Luke Struckman, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, Carleton University

6) Iran and the Security of the Gulf Cooperation Council States

Ibrahim Alshalan, Department of Geography, Imam Mohammad ibn Saud University

Session VIII. Borders and geopolitics in Asia – Student Center 313

Chair: Alexander B. Murphy, University of Oregon

1) The Iron Barley Bowl: The Politics of Seeking Chinese Government Posts

Andrew Grant, Department of Geography, UCLA

2) The Power of Individuals: Falun Gong Follower's Geopolitical Practices and Their Challenge to the Chinese Communist Party

Weihuan Lin, Geography Department, University of Ireland, Maynooth,

3) Challenging Citizenship in Xinjiang: Coercion and Consent of Cultural Hegemony in Uyghur Society

Sarah Tynen, Department of Geography, University of Colorado-Boulder

4) Towards apparatuses of liberation and solidarity in the islands of East Asia

Sasha Davis, Department of Geography, University of Hawaii-Hilo

5) The Frontier Economy of Eastern Shan State, Myanmar

Borislav Nikoltchev and Fred M. Shelley, Department of Geography and Environmental Sustainability, University of Oklahoma

6) In the Soviet shadow: Soviet Hegemony and Mongolia's Quest for Communist Utopia

Orhon Myadar, School of Geography and Development, University of Arizona

6:00 PGSG Annual Dinner: Noodles in the Pot, 2453 N. Halsted St. Chicago, IL 60614