



Political Geography
Specialty Group

2013 PGSG PRECONFERENCE SCHEDULE

University of California Los
Angeles, Monday April 8 2013

8:00 – 8:30 Check-in, registration, and continental breakfast (Faculty Center)
8:30 – 8:45 Welcoming remarks (Sequoia Room)
8:45 – 10:45 Sessions I and II
10:45 – 11:00 Coffee break
11:00 – 12:45 Sessions III and IV
12:45 – 2:00 Lunch
2:00 – 4:00 Sessions V and VI
4:00 – 4:15 Break
4:15 – 6:00 Session VII and VIII
6:00 – 6:30 Reception (Bunche Hall 1261)
6:30 – 7:30 Plenary panel
8:00 – PGSG Annual Dinner (details TBD)

8:00-8:30 Check-in and registration

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

Room and bldg details, link to map @

<http://www.politicalgeography.org/aagannounce.html>

8:30-8:45 Welcoming remarks

Sequoia Room

Mat Coleman, Department of Geography, Ohio State University

Adam Moore, Department of Geography, UCLA

8:45 – 10:45 Sessions I and II

Session I: Violence and security - Redwood Room

Chair: Shannon O’Lear, Department of Geography, University of Kansas

1) Operating in the margins: USAID, (alternative) development, and the (counter)insurgent geographies of the Cold War

Wes Attewell

Department of Geography, University of British Columbia

2) Mechanisms explaining the spatio-temporal diffusion of violence in sub-Saharan Africa

Andrew M. Linke

Department of Geography, University of Colorado

3) Transecting security and space in Phnom Penh

James D Sidaway, Till F Paasche and Chih Yuan Woon

Department of Geography, National University of Singapore

4) Salvadoran security and the convergence of public and private protection

Peter D. A. Wood

Department of Geography

Florida State University

5) The travels of a tactic: where will international accompaniment for peace go next?

Sara Koopman,

Balsillie School of International Affairs, Wilfrid Laurier University

Session II: Borders - Sequoia Room

Chair: Mat Coleman, Department of Geography, Ohio State University

1) Settler colonialism on the Arizona/Sonora border: queer theory, indigenous geographies, and the nation-state

Carrie Mott

Department of Geography, University of Kentucky

2) Deepening the dialectical landscape: narco tunnels and the political economy of the subterranean U.S.-Mexico border

Cynthia Sorrensen

Department of Geography and Geosciences, Texas Tech University.

3) Behind the smoke and mirrors: post-deportation interviews about apprehension, detention and deportation procedures

Jeremy Slack

School of Geography and Development, University of Arizona

4) The (neo)liberal subject of contemporary U.S. border enforcement

Geoffrey Boyce

School of Geography and Development, University of Arizona

5) The geopolitical meaning of a contemporary visual art upsurge on the Canada-U.S. border

Anne-Laure Amilhat Szary

Institut de Géographie Alpine, Université Joseph Fourier

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:45 Sessions III and IV

Session III: Rethinking nation and place - Redwood Room

Chair: Reece Jones, Department of Geography, University of Hawai'i Manoa

1) Synecdoche and the city: state, citizen, and spectacle in Kazakhstan

Natalie Koch

Department of Geography, The Maxwell School, Syracuse University

2) The resilience of the “territorial trap”: state-led representations and ordinary performances in producing Taiwanese and North Korean national spaces

Alessandro Tiberio

Department of Geography, University of California, Berkeley

3) Negotiating language borders and linguistic borderlands

Virginie Mamadouh

Department of Geography, Planning and International Development Studies, University of Amsterdam

4) Rethinking Bosnian postcoloniality: challenges of the Europeanization discourse

Danijela Majstorović

Center for European and Eurasian Studies, International Institute, UCLA

Session IV: Affect, agency, and aliens - Sequoia Room

Chair: Jason Dittmer, Department of Geography, University College London

1) Action theory after the practice turn: assembling the future

Huib Ernste

Human Geography, Radboud University

2) Locating agency: reading against the grain

Cheryl Gilge

College of Built Environments, University of Washington

3) David Foster Wallace and radical democracy

Mark Purcell

Department of Urban Design & Planning, University of Washington

4) Sovereign alien says "What?": sovereignty in *The Avengers*, *Avatar*, and *District 9*

Ben Schrager

Department of Geography, University of Hawai'i Manoa

12:45 – 2:00 Lunch

2:00 – 4:00 Sessions V and VI

Session V: Encounters and memory - Redwood Room

Chair: Adam Moore, Department of Geography, UCLA

1) Human geography's polymorphous spaces of interaction

Veit Bachmann, Department of Human Geography, Goethe-University

Frankfurt

2) Summer in the Soviet Union: the Artek youth delegations of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship and the spatial regulation of encounter

Ulrich Best

Canadian Center for German and European Studies & Department of Geography, York University

3) Koza as a borderland: memories of the anti-US riot and place-based identities

Takashi Yamazaki

Graduate School of Literature and Human Sciences, Osaka City University

4) On affective heritage: posthumanism and the Australian War Memorial

Jason Dittmer, Department of Geography, University College London

Emma Waterton

Institute for Culture and Society, University of Western Sydney

5) Where's the state? Memory, identity & power in the Lebanese capital

Ali Hamdan

Department of Geography, UCLA

Session VI: Law and Policy - Sequoia Room

Chair: Fred Shelley, Department of Geography, University of Oklahoma

1) Enactments of foreign policy expertise: insights from Ukrainian think tanks

Ievgenii Rovnyi

Department of Human Geography, Goethe University of Frankfurt am Main

2) Intra-party gerrymandering and the shape of congressional districts

Kenneth C. Martis

Professor Emeritus of Geography, West Virginia University

3) 'Counting' at home or in the big house: prisoners and the decennial census in the U.S.A.

Matthew L. Mitchelson

Department of Geography and Anthropology, Kennesaw State University

4) The hybrid legal geographies of war crimes trials

Alex Jeffrey

Department of Geography, University of Cambridge

Michaelina Jakala

School of Geography, Politics and Sociology, Newcastle University

5) Targeting military lawyers

Craig Jones

Department of Geography, University of British Columbia

4:00 – 4:15 Break

4:15 – 6:00 Session VII and VIII

Session VII: Environmental and medical geographies - Redwood Room

Chair: Corey Johnson, University of North Carolina - Greensboro

1) The (not so) phantom menace: reviewing Kaplan's *Revenge of Geography*

Shannon O'Lear, John Biersack, David J. Trimbach, Nathaniel Ray Pickett,
Department of Geography, University of Kansas

2) Virtual climate justice: assessing regional effects of climate engineering technologies

Thilo Wiertz

IASS, Heidelberg University

3) Cape York's world heritage dilemma: power dynamics on the environmental frontier

Nick Skilton

Department of Geography, University of Wollongong

4) The mapping of provinces and populations: socio-medical geographies of the early Turkish republic

Kyle T. Evered

Department of Geography, Michigan State University

Emine Ö. Evered

Department of History, Michigan State University

5) **TBD**

Michael Webb, OSU

Session VIII: Law, maps, transnationalism ... and anarchy! - Sequoia Room

Chair: Anne-Laure Amilhat Szary, Institut de Géographie Alpine, Université

Joseph Fourier

1) **Islamic activism in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia's Sandžak of Novi Pazar: transnational networks and territorial strategies**

Mahmood Khan

Department of Geography, UCLA

2) **Placing Palestine: maps, territories, & imaginaries**

Karen Culcasi

Department of Geology and Geography, West Virginia University

3) **Somewhere between law and implementation: the politics of immigration statuses between occupied territories**

Brittany Cook

Department of Geography, University of Kentucky

4) **Locating resistance in multi-level migration governance regimes: a US/EU comparison**

Michael Collyer

Department of Geography, University of Sussex

5) **Why a radical geography must be anarchist**

Simon Springer, Department of Geography, University of Victoria

6:00 – 6:30 Reception

UCLA Department of Geography, Bunche Hall 1261

6:30 – 7:30 Plenary panel: Current controversies and future directions in political geography

Chair: Mat Coleman, Department of Geography, Ohio State University

Panelists:

John Agnew, Department of Geography, UCLA

Joanne Sharp, School of Geographical and Earth Sciences, University of Glasgow

Simon Dalby, Balsillie School of International Affairs , Wilfrid Laurier University

Natalie Koch, The Maxwell School, Syracuse University

Sara Koopman, Balsillie School of International Affairs , Wilfrid Laurier University