



Achieving Diversity and Inclusion in Political Science

Diversity and Inclusion Programs

The American Political Science Association has several major programs aimed at enhancing diversity within the discipline and identifying and aiding students and faculty from under-represented backgrounds in the political science field. These programs include:

Ralph Bunche Summer Institute (RBSI) (Undergraduate Juniors)

The RBSI Program is an annual five-week program designed to introduce undergraduate students from under-represented racial/ethnic groups, or students interested in broadening participation in political science and pursuing scholarship on issues affecting under-represented groups, to the world of graduate study and to encourage application to PhD programs. Application deadline: January of each year. For more information, visit www.apsanet.org/rbsi.

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(Fall Cycle for seniors and MA Students, Spring Cycle for PhD students) MFP is a fellowship competition for those applying to graduate school, designed to increase the number of individuals from under-represented backgrounds with PhD's in political science. Application deadline: October and March of each year. For more information, visit www.apsanet.org/mfp.

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APSA Mentoring Program

The Mentoring Program connects undergraduate, graduate students, and junior faculty to experienced and senior members of the profession for professional development mentoring. APSA membership is required for mentors. To request a mentor or be a mentor, visit www.apsanet.org/mentor.

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For more information on all Diversity and Inclusion Programs, visit us online at www.apsanet.org/diversityprograms. Please contact Kimberly Mealy, PhD, Senior Director of Diversity and Inclusion Programs with any questions: kmealy@apsanet.org.

To contribute to an APSA Fund, such as the Ralph Bunche Endowment Fund or the Hanes Walton Jr. Fund, visit us at www.apsanet.org/donate.

Find a Mentor or Become a Mentor

As we prepare to re-launch the APSA Mentoring program in Fall 2017 with an updated format, APSA is seeking additional mentors to provide professional advice to undergraduates, graduate students, and junior faculty in the profession. The APSA Mentoring Program is an opportunity for all political scientists to network and share experience, advice and insights about career planning, scholarship, and a variety of professional issues such as:

- **Selecting a dissertation committee**
- **Publishing and research**
- **Non-academic careers**
- **Life as junior faculty member**
- **Balancing family and work**

The APSA mentoring database includes mentors with a wide variety of expertise and fields of interest. APSA is looking for additional mentors specifically in non-academic careers and international relations, and to mentor Ralph Bunche Scholars (RBSI) and/or APSA Minority Fellows (MFP).

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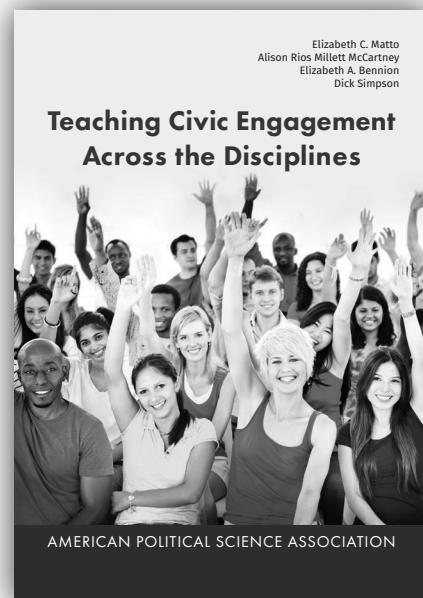
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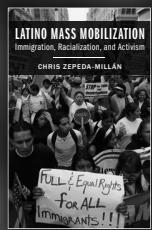
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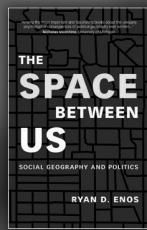
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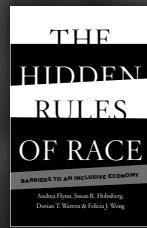
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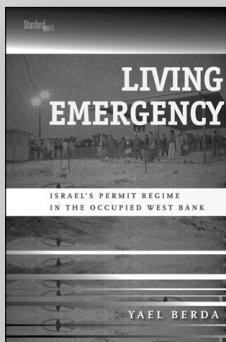
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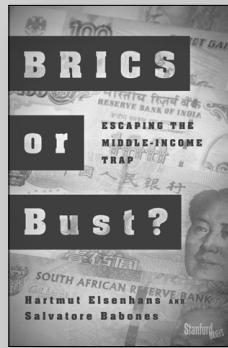


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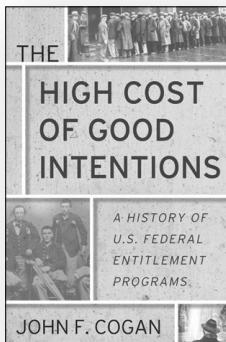
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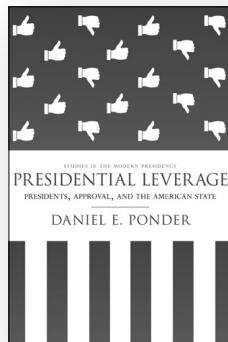
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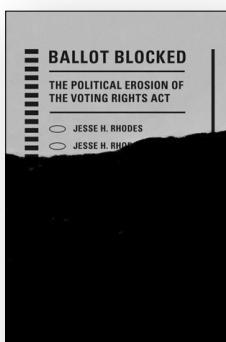
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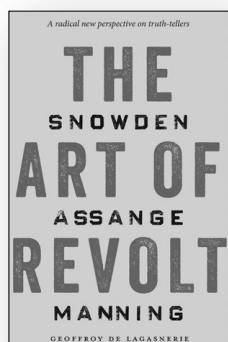
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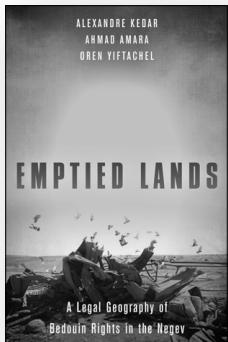
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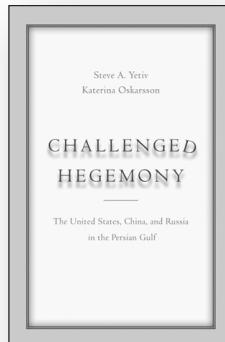
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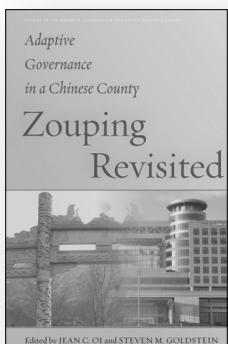
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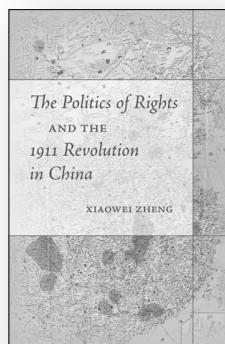
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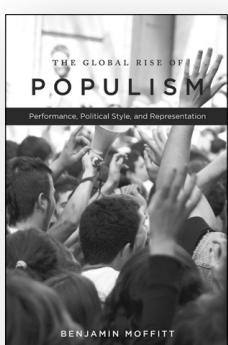
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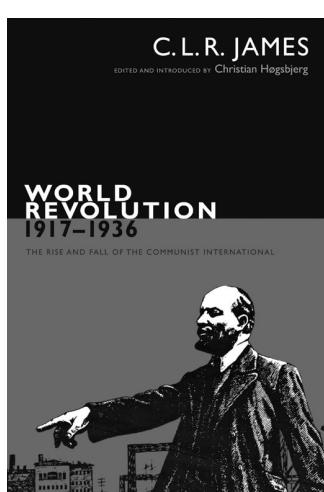
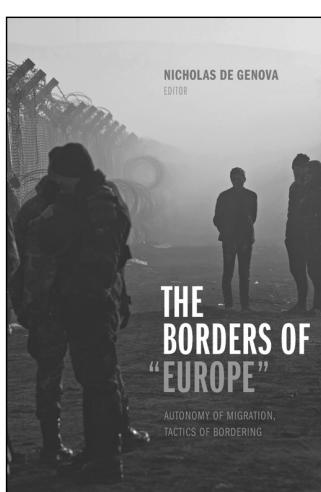
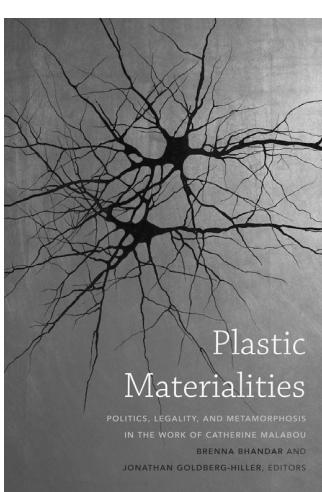


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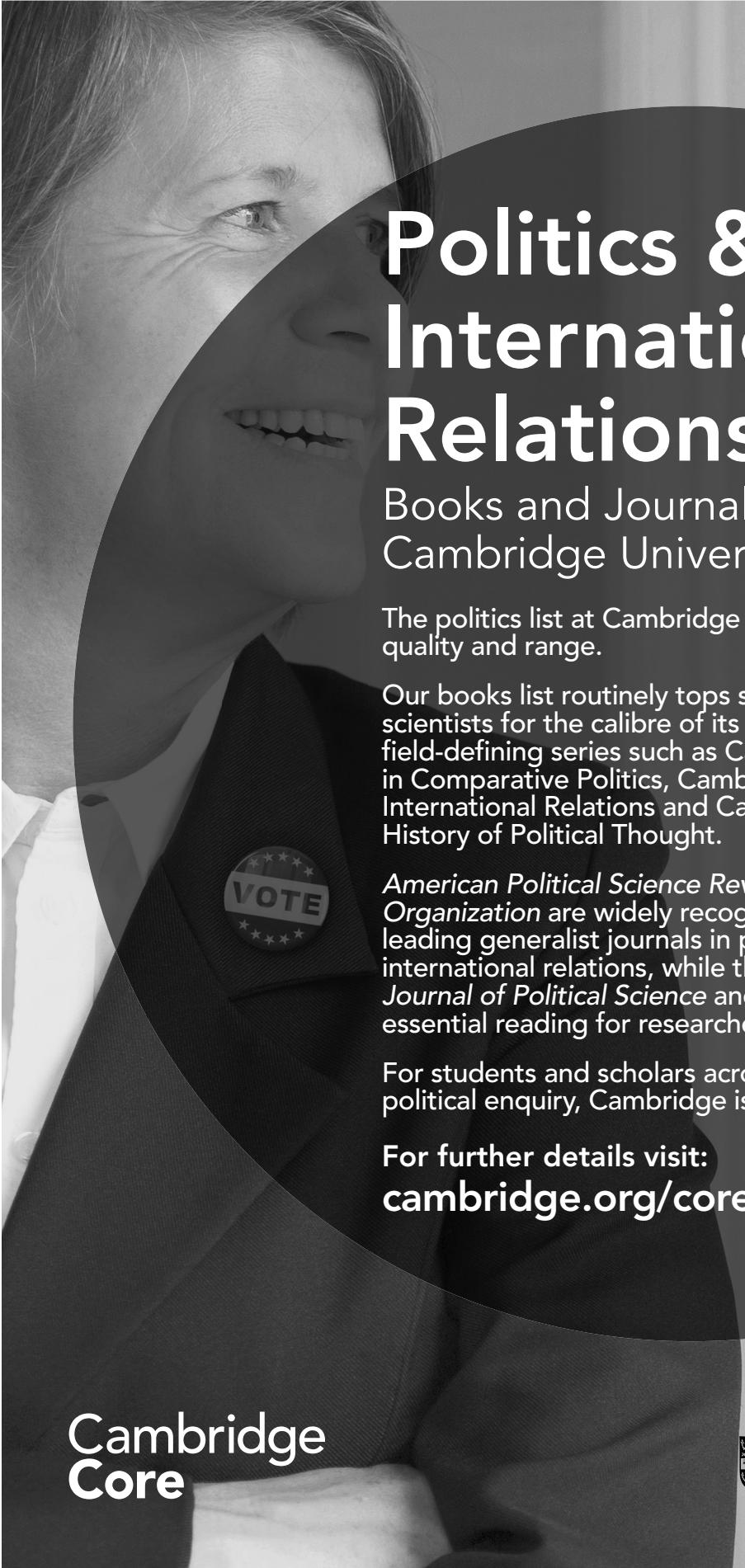
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