

Ralph Bunche Summer Institute Participants Present Work at Annual Meeting

Ten outstanding students from the 2007 Ralph Bunche Summer Institute (RBSI) presented their research at the American Politics II and Teaching and Learning Poster Session at this year's Annual Meeting in Chicago. This year's class of RBSI students and the research they presented at this year's meeting:



Carolyn Yvette Barnes, Virginia Tech
"Welfare Reform: Elite Politics or Public Opinion"

Andy Canales, Pepperdine University
"Latino Support for the Iraq War: Exploring the Dynamics of Public Opinion Between U.S. born Latinos and foreign-born Latinos"

Makdyanet Cedeño, The University of Vermont
"Residential Segregation: Why Do Whites, Latinos, and Asians see African Americans as Undesirable Neighbors?"

Rachel M. Gillum, University of Washington
"Lebanese Political Dynamics: Power versus Opinion"

Mai Omer Hassan, University of Virginia
"Motivations for Political Participation in Sub-Saharan Africa"
Institutional Affiliation:

Leslee Brooke Mcknight, University of Connecticut
"The Influence of Hurricane Katrina on Levels of Public Trust in Government"

Jessica Morales, Rosemont College
"Not On Our Watch: Political Knowledge, Public Opinion, and Genocide"

Giselle Sedano, Cornell University
"Women in Peru and the Development of the Informal Sector of Political Participation: Effects and Possibilities"

Christopher C. Towler, University of Colorado, Boulder
"Black Educated' & 'Educated Blacks': A Discussion on Political Participation"

Lawrence Walker, University of Maryland at College Park
"Black Nationalism and Political Participation"

APSA's Ralph Bunche Summer Institute is a five-week program for minority undergraduate students interested in pursuing a doctoral degree in political science. The Institute is hosted by Duke University and is supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation. The program is directed by Paula McClain, professor of political science and director of the Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity, and Gender in Social Studies, at Duke University. For more information or to download an application for next summer's Institute, visit the APSA web site at www.apsanet.org/section_397.cfm.

Pictured above: First row: Jessica Carew, Makdyanet Cedeño, Lauren McKenzie, Mai Omer Hassan, Giselle Sedano, Kierra Freeman, Leslee McKnight, Jessica Morales, Camille D. Burge. Second row: Monique Lyle, Daniel Lee, Brandon Lunsford, Carolyn Barnes, Rachel Gillum, Emily Alvarez, Porschea Lewis, and Kathleen Faust. Third row: Gerald F. Lackey, Jr., Michael Brady, Clyde Ledbetter, Jr., Justin Scurlock, Christopher Towler, Andy Canales, and Eugene Walton. Fourth row: Lawrence Walker, Dr. Paula McClain, Doris C. Cross, Nyron Crawford, and Efen Perez.