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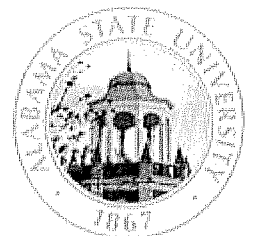
## Annual Meeting “Race, Politics, and Economics in Society”

April 3-4, 2009  
Alabama State University  
Montgomery, Alabama



Alabama State Capitol, Montgomery

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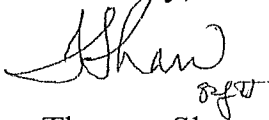
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**ALABAMA POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION  
37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING  
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**

Dear AlaPSA Participants,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Montgomery and the 2009 Alabama Political Science Association Meeting. I would also like to thank you for choosing the Alabama Political Science Meeting. Particularly in the current economic climate and with the erosion of travel funds, we know that travel and meeting decisions become much more limited. We would like you to know that we very much appreciate your choice to attend and contribute to the Alabama meeting. Also, to all of the students involved, I am very excited to have you here and I know we are all eager to hear the contributions that you will be making as the next generation of researchers. I look forward to listening to as many panels as possible. Have a great conference and please continue to support the Alabama Political Science Association in the future.

Sincerely,

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Thomas Shaw, President AlaPSA



# ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT


Dear Colleagues and Friends;

Greetings! It gives me great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to Alabama State University to all who are attending the *Alabama Political Science Association Conference*. We are pleased that you have chosen our campus, in the historic Capital City of Montgomery, known as the birthplace of the modern Civil Rights Movement, for the site of your deliberations and for the excitement and dissemination of new knowledge that results from intellectual gatherings such as this.

I hope that your stay in our city and on our campus will provide time for you to visit various sites on the campus and to see and contemplate upon some of the internationally recognized icons of the Civil Rights Movement, including Dexter Avenue Baptist Church where the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. served as pastor, the State Capitol where the Selma to Montgomery March concluded, and the Ralph David Abernathy Home where this distinguished alumnus and civil rights leader resided while he pastored here. That house, as is the childhood home of Nat King Cole, is being restored and preserved on the ASU campus as part of our commitment to preserve and memorialize the historic sites of our heritage, under the direction of the university's National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African American Culture.

I do so much hope that your Conference will prove instructive and productive. I know that your colleagues on the faculty and staff here have worked hard to make it so. Accordingly, I wish the *Alabama Political Science Association* a hearty welcome and a pleasant and rewarding stay at Alabama State University.

Sincere best wishes,

  
William H. Harris



OFFICE OF THE  
VICE PRESIDENT  
FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Welcome: Members of the Alabama Political Science Association

Greetings from the Office of the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs. We are delighted to have you visit our campus.

Hosting the Alabama Political Science Association Conference could not be more fitting for Alabama State University. While you are here in the heart of Alabama's political arena, we challenge you to explore Alabama State University and the City of Montgomery's rich political heritage, which includes its Civil War and Civil Rights history and numerous historical sites.

At Alabama State University, we take pride in our heritage and our devotion to providing a quality education to our students and to an expansion of our public service programs to local and state political leaders. We do this by providing them with research-based guidance on policy and program approaches and initiatives that address community problems.

Again, welcome to Alabama State University and the City of Montgomery.

Sincerely,

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Karyn Scissum Gunn  
Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs

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DEAN,  
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March 17, 2009

Greetings, Participants and Guests,

On behalf of the College of Arts and Sciences at Alabama State University, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you to our campus for the 2009 Alabama Political Science Association Conference. Because of our location in Alabama's capital city, we at ASU are especially aware of the importance of understanding our political systems and learning how they function and how they are influenced. Your theme, *Race, Economics and Politics in Society*, should serve as a useful basis upon which to build presentations that are relevant to current issues facing our state and nation. We encourage students, faculty and staff to support the conference and to provide assistance where needed to your members while they are on our campus.

We are honored to have you at Alabama State University. Best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely yours,

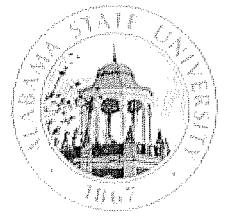
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Thelma C. Ivery, Ph.D.  
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

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**Agenda**  
**ALaPSA Conference**  
**Alabama State University**  
**April 3-4, 2009**

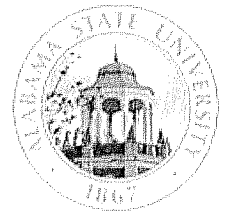


**Friday**  
**April 3, 2009**

- 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM      **Conference Registration**  
National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture at Alabama State University  
1345 Carter Hill Road  
Montgomery, AL 36106
- 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM      **Social Justice Tour of Downtown Montgomery**  
Tour leader Mr. Charles Varner, Consultant  
(Leaving from the National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture)
- 11:45 AM - 12:45 PM      **Reception**  
National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture
- 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM      **Conference Registration**  
Life Science Building Lobby
- 1:00 PM - 4:45 PM      **Paper Presentations and Panel Sessions**  
Life Science Building  
1627 Hall Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104
- 1:00 PM - 2:45 PM  
**Session 1**
- Life Science Building, Room 129  
**“The History of Social Justice and Southern Politics”**  
**Chair:**            Dr. Dorothy A. Autrey, Alabama State University
- Panelists:**        Dr. Dorothy A. Autrey, Alabama State University  
Dr. Howard Robinson, Alabama State University  
Professor Frank Moorer, Alabama State University
- Discussant:**      Dr. Derryn Moten, Alabama State University
- Session 2**
- Life Science Building, Room 130  
**“Issues in International Relations”**  
**Chair:**            Dr. Steven L. Taylor, Troy University
- Panelists:**        Jeff Daniel, Troy University  
“A Perspective on International Relations as a Science”  
Nicholas R. Smith, Troy University  
“The EU and Modern Russian Foreign Policy”  
Yao Wu, Troy University  
“Democracy and Prosperity”  
Bart Wallace, Troy University  
“U.S. Anti-Drug Policy in Latin America”  
Brian Hardman, Troy University



“The Process of Removal from the U.S. State Sponsors of Terrorism”



**Discussant:** Dr. William L. Dowdy, Alabama State University

**Session 3**

Life Science Building, Room 133

**“Examining the Influence of State Politics on the Actions of Citizens”**

**Chair:** Dr. Linda Dennard, Auburn University Montgomery

**Panelists:** Brett Remkus, Auburn University Montgomery  
“Exploring the Utility of Trust and Collaboration in Intergovernmental Relations: Homeland Security and Emergency Management in Alabama”  
Jessica LeeAnn England  
University of Central Oklahoma  
“Term Limits for State Offices”  
Atty. Robert White, Alabama State University  
“Alabama’s Dirty Little Secret”  
Dr. Josef Velazquez, Stonehill College  
“Leadership and Lying: Homer’s Odysseus and the Electoral Preference for Slick Willy and Related Character Types”  
Dr. Kern Craig, Troy University  
“Re-Humanize the Legal System: Making a Case for the Decriminalization of Victimless Crime”

**Discussant:** Dr. Jeffrey Blankenship, University of South Alabama

3:00 PM - 4:45 PM

**Session 4**

Life Science Building, Room 129

**“Real World Experiences in Government”**

Denise S. Baylor, Director and Small Business Recruiter (Gunter AFB)  
Gladys Johnson, Director Business Operations  
42<sup>nd</sup> Contracting Squadron (Maxwell AFB)  
Rosa Shannon, Director, Business Operations  
754<sup>th</sup> ELSG

**Session 5**

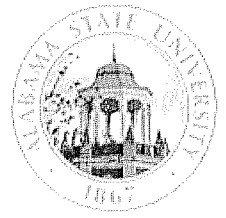
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**“Middle East Issues and the War on Terrorism”**

**Chair:** Dr. William L. Dowdy, Alabama State University

**Panelists:** Dr. Lori J. Owens, Jacksonville State University  
“Yemen: Prospects and Challenges”  
Zandra Stovall, Alabama State University  
“Israel’s Wall of Separation: Its Status Under International and Municipal Law”  
Dr. Evelyn Early, Air University Montgomery  
“Political Development, the Infotech Revolution, and Islamic Liberalism”  
Oscar Berry, III, Alabama State University  
“U.S. Detention of Terror Suspects at Guantanamo: Legal and Political Questions”

Dr. Mir Zohair Husain, University of Alabama  
“The Cold War: Major Causes and  
Consequences”



**Discussant:** Dr. Mir Zohair Husain, University of South  
Alabama

**Session 6**

Life Science Building, Room 133

**“Politics of Democracy and Location”**

**Chair:** Dr. Herbert Thomas, Alabama State University

**Panelists:** Dr. G. Doug Davis, Troy University  
“Democratic Governance and Preferential Trade  
Institutions”  
Dr. Paul Erhunmwunsee, Alabama State University  
“The Influence of Geography on Political  
Participation”

**Discussant:** Dr. Brydie Larkin, Alabama State University

4:45 PM - 5:30PM

**Executive Board Meeting**

Life Science Building, Room 130

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**Dinner**

Alabama Activity Center  
201 Dexter Avenue  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

**“Race, Economics, and Politics in Alabama”**

Panelists: Atty. Jere Beasley, Dr. Glen Browder, and Rep. John Knight

**Saturday  
April 4, 2009**

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

**Conference Registration**

Life Science Building Lobby

8:15 AM - 12:00 PM

**Paper Presentations and Panel Sessions**

8:15 AM - 10:00 AM

**Session 7**

Life Science Building, Room 129

**“Voting Rights and Elections”**

**Chair:** Dr. Brydie Larkin, Alabama State University

**Panelists:** Dr. Byrdie Larkin, Alabama State University  
“The Changing Contemporary American Electorate”  
Dr. Charles E. Mitchell, Troy University  
“Presidential Abuse: The Recess Appointment Process”  
Rahkia Poonia, Rutgers University  
“The Impact of Service Learning on Building Civic  
Engagement”  
Dr. Glen Browder, Jacksonville State University  
“The South’s New Racial Order: Inside the Race Game  
of Southern Political History”

**Discussant:** Dr. Thomas Vocino, Auburn University Montgomery

**Session 8**

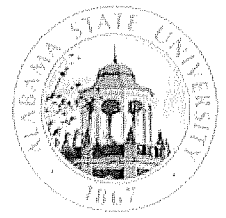
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**“Politics of Education”**

**Chair:** Dr. Bertis English, Alabama State University

**Panelists:** Dr. Sidney L. Brown, Alabama State University  
“Is the High School Principal the Single Agent of Drop-out Prevention as Suggested by the SBE?”  
Dr. Jewel Winlock-Henderson, C & J Enterprises  
“Training New Educational Administrators”  
Dr. Sam Shelton, Troy University  
“Important Characteristics for Higher Education Chief Administrators”  
Dr. Bertis English, Alabama State University  
“Hardly an Uncle Tom: Booker T. Washington and the Politics of Race and Economics in the Development of Tuskegee Institute, 1881-1901”  
Dr. Derryn Moten, Alabama State University  
“Faculty Diversity in Dixie”

**Discussant:** Dr. Derryn Moten, Alabama State University



**Session 9**

Life Science Building, Room 133

**“The Challenges Facing State of Alabama Budget”**

**Chair:** Dr. Ellen Rosell, Troy University

**Panelists:** Alfredo Ulloa, Wesley Allen, Rachel Gable, and Ruoyi Wang, Troy University  
“The Alabama State Budget: Improving Allocation of Funds”  
Gabrielle Barnett, Jia Jing, Andris Jenkins, and Korneel Warlop, Troy University  
“The Alabama State Budget”  
Ursula Bryant, Meryem Boulale, Piet Coopman, Beverly Daniels-Hamilton, and Joe Zhao, Troy University  
“A General Overview of the FY 2009 State of Alabama Budget”  
Brian Candler, Tullie Culverhouse, Kan Li, and Jennifer Thrash, Troy University  
“The Alabama Budget Crisis: How to Increase Revenue”

**Discussant:** Dr. Thomas Shaw, University of South Alabama

10:15 AM - 12:00 PM

**Session 10**

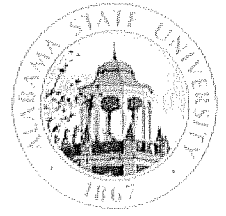
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**“Money, Taxes, and Power as Economic Stimuli”**

**Chair:** Dr. Thomas Shaw, University of South Alabama

**Panelists:** Dr. Hua Xu, Auburn University Montgomery  
“The Political Economy of Economic Stimulus Plans: A Comparative Perspective”  
Dr. William Voorhees, University of North Florida  
“Do Bulls Consume More Than Bears: The Wealth Effect on State Sales Tax Collections”

Dr. Timothy J. Barnett  
Jacksonville State University  
“The Politics and Religion of Money:  
Does Value-Neutral Monetary Policy Serve  
the Public Interest?”



**Discussant:** Dr. Paul Erhunmwunsee, Alabama State University

**Session 11**

Life Science Building, Room 130

**“International Economic and Environmental Issues”**

**Chair:** Kevin Walker, Alabama State University

**Panelists:** Dr. Emmanuel Obuah, Alabama A&M University  
“Assessing the Impact of China’s Foreign Direct  
Investment in Africa”  
Patrick Tandoh-Offin, Clemson University  
“Environmental Entrepreneurship as Rural  
Development Strategy: How Ghana Is Doing”  
Kweku Ainuson, Clemson University  
“Belief Systems and Policy-Oriented Learning  
in Water Policy Change in Ghana”  
Dr. Erecia Hepburn, Clemson University  
“Agritourism: An Economic and Natural Resource  
strategy for the Bahamas”  
Dr. Amit Gupta, U.S. Air War College Maxwell AFB  
“The Impact of Globalization on International Sporting  
Events”

**Discussant:** Dr. Steven L. Taylor, Troy University

**Session 12**

Life Science Building, Room 133

**“Politics of Health Care”**

**Chair:** Dr. Sharron Y. Herron, Alabama State University

**Panelists:** Daniel Inzinga and Jacquelyn Cully  
Duquesne University  
“Antitrust Legislation and Market Definition in the  
Healthcare Industry: Case Study Pittsburgh”  
Dr. Jarralynne Fletcher Agee, Miles College  
Dr. Robert Agee, Lemak Sports Medicine  
Dr. Senobia Crawford, Alabama State University

**Discussant:** Dr. Senobia Crawford, Alabama State University

12:15 PM - 2:30 PM

**Luncheon and Business Meeting**

ASU Acadome Banquet Room

**“Social Justice and Civil Rights”**

Speaker: Atty. John Tanner, Alabama Law Institute and Former Section  
Chief of United States Justice Department Voting Rights Division