



Message from the President

Welcome to the first NZPSA quarterly newsletter for 2020. For many of us, teaching is about to begin and in this regard I wish you all well. As this is my first newsletter as President, I would like to thank outgoing-President Kate McMillan for her contribution to the life of the Association over the past two years. I look forward to working with Peter Skilling and Jack Vowles who are both continuing as Secretary and Treasurer. Welcome also to our new Administrative Assistant, Peyton Bond. We produce this newsletter as a way of supporting the study and teaching of politics in New Zealand, so if you have any information on these topics you would like included in future newsletters, please email us at admin@nzpsa.co.nz. – Patrick Barrett, *NZPSA President*

2019 NZPSA Annual Conference – Thank you!

New Zealand political life in 2019 was marked by the March 15 terror attack in Christchurch, and the NZPSA's response was led powerfully by members from the Political Science and International Relations programme at the University of Canterbury in the annual conference last November.

The conference theme, “Community, Security, Humanity,” brought focus upon local, national, and international politics in the wake of the terror attack. A number of excellent keynote speakers, including Lianne Dalziel, Aliya Danzeisen, Golriz Ghahraman, and Katharine Gelber, illuminated different dimensions of the political factors preceding and following on from the attack. Members of the Christchurch Muslim community, including Imam of Masjid Al-Noor, Gamal Fouda, also contributed compelling and emotional accounts of the events of March 15 and the political environment surrounding them.

The conference was attended by around 120 scholars from New Zealand and abroad, more than half of whom were working toward their postgraduate degrees. The main conference was also preceded by a highly successful Local Government Symposium and postgraduate workshop. The 2019 conference website can be accessed [here](#), and the full programme, including abstracts, can be found [here](#).

Notably, every effort was made to ensure the conference was run on sustainable grounds, including the elimination of single-use plastics, and provision of plant-based catering. Our thanks to the team from Canterbury, and particularly to Jeremy Moses and Pascale Hatcher. The 2020 NZPSA Conference will be hosted by the Auckland University of Technology on 30 November-2 December, so put those dates in your diary now. More information soon.

Biannual Grant Information

A bi-annual grant of up to \$2,000 is available for a project that will benefit NZPSA collectively or a significant part of it such as a Network, the Women's Caucus or the Postgraduate Body. New Networks can be formed for the purpose of applying for funding by gathering ten NZPSA members together and contacting the Executive.

NZPSA collectives and individual members are therefore invited to submit applications for project funding by 5pm on the 15th of July 2018 to the President at patrick.barrett@waikato.ac.nz, who will establish a committee to assess them. Further details of the grant and how to apply may be found on the NZPSA website [here](#).

NZ APIKS Survey of New Zealand University Academics

Claire Timperley from the School of History, Philosophy, Political Science and International Relations at Victoria University invites members of the NZPSA to participate in an online survey as part of an international research project on the Academic Profession in the Knowledge Society (APIKS). All academics in New Zealand universities are invited to participate. The survey examines the experiences, satisfaction, and wellbeing of the varied people who teach and research in New Zealand universities, with a view to understanding better what might attract academic staff to come and stay in New Zealand universities, and what university workplaces might do to better alleviate the stress levels of their employees.

Please consider completing the survey. For more information on the research and the research team, click [here](#). To go directly to the survey, please click [here](#). You can contact the research team by email at nzapiks@vuw.ac.nz the lead researcher, Associate Professor Kathryn Sutherland, by email at Kathryn.Sutherland@vuw.ac.nz.

Upcoming Conferences

24th Annual International Research Society for Public Management (IRSPM) 2020 Conference

22-24 April 2020

Tampere, Finland

The theme of the IRSPM 2020 conference is *Smart Public Services?* Smart public services make life easier for their service users, involving as they do the application of technologies and effectively designed service systems to solve problems that users cannot solve alone. Opportunities vary between locales and sets of users, and over time the processes and goals of public services, too, vary and are in constant need of discourse around relevance and appropriateness. Smart public service addresses a number of themes, such as smart cities, smart service design and service processes, evidence-based public services and the use of smart technology to deliver public services. We envisage research presentations on leading public service design being rooted in practice, while heralding debates beyond NPM, beyond governances, emergent hybrid organising, and beyond the management of networks focusing on advances in co-creation and public value. More information can be found at the event website [here](#).

26th Annual International Political Science Association (IPSA) World Congress of Political Science

25-29 July 2020

Lisbon, Portugal

The theme of the IPSA 2020 is *New Nationalisms in an Open World*. The World Congress seeks an understanding of the following questions: What is new nationalism, who are the new nationalist leaders and what are the similarities and differences between the new nationalisms and its predecessors? How can we interpret and classify new nationalisms taking populism, authoritarianism and ethnicism into consideration together with new nationalism? Finally, what are the potential ramifications of new nationalism on political mobilization, electoral behaviour, political systems as well as on global governance and international relations? The diverse program is coordinated by Program Co-Chairs Prof. Bertrand Badie and Professor Hasret Dikici Bilgin.

More information can be found at the event website [here](#).

Mark your calendars: 2020 Journalism, Media, and Democracy (JMAD) Conference at AUT

The theme of this conference is focused on the deepening symbiosis between capitalism and communication. As new technologies and subsequent corporations have emerged, so have concerns about regulation, cultural expression, ideological obfuscation, monitoring/privacy, and communication rights. This conference aims to re-analyse the principles and practices of journalism under these new and different settings.

Conference call for papers: September 10-11, 2020

Abstracts due: June 1, 2020 to wayne.hope@aut.ac.nz and/or merja.myllylahti@aut.ac.nz

Registration opens: June 1, 2020

Event website [here](#).

Note, too, the post-election conference will be in Parliament on the 9th of December.

Call for Papers + Scholarship Opportunities

Call for papers: Australian Political Studies Association (APSA)

The Organising Committee in conjunction with the Australian Political Studies Association (APSA) are pleased to invite abstract submissions for the APSA Annual Conference 2020, which will be held at Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia from the 21st to 23rd September 2020 (PhD workshop to be held on 20th September 2020).

The overall theme of APSA 2020 is 'Politics in the Age of Disruption and Realignment'. The theme recognises the rapidly changing nature of contemporary politics, and invites an explicit focus on the causes, manifestations and consequences of the new political, technological and ideological constellations of our time. Submissions relating to political studies generally, and especially addressing the theme, are encouraged and can be made via **the Conference Website** [here](#).

We welcome innovative proposals for panels and roundtables and submissions from individual presenters in the following broad thematic areas:

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| 1. Australian Politics. | 6. Policy and Governance | 11. Religion and Politics |
| 2. International Relations | 7. Comparative Politics | 12. Innovation and Industrial Governance |
| 3. Regional Studies | 8. Environmental Politics | |
| 4. Indigenous Politics | 9. Media Politics | |
| 5. Gender and Sexuality | 10. Political Theory | |

All abstracts must be submitted online through the conference website **by midnight AEST Monday 3 May 2020, 11:59pm AEST**. Please note that the closing date for abstract submission will not be extended and abstracts will only be accepted if the presenting author has registered and paid by the presenter registration deadline of **Friday 10 July 2020**. All enquiries regarding abstracts for APSA 2020 should be emailed to: jessicam@icmsaust.com.au

The University of Auckland PhD Scholarship in Gender, Ethnicity and Politics

The University of Auckland invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to undertake a fully-funded PhD in the topic area of 'Ethnic Women, Politics and Leadership in Aotearoa New Zealand.' Ethnic here is defined as non-Māori, non-Pākehā, non-Pasifika population groups in New Zealand, and commonly refers to peoples coming from Asia, Africa, the Middle East, South and Latin America, and continental/Eastern Europe. Suitable candidates will have a strong background in feminist political theory, intersectionality scholarship, and New Zealand politics. Students must have past experience of undertaking qualitative and/or quantitative research. It is advantageous to have familiarity with and/or prior work experience in ethnic minority communities. The deadline to express interest in the project is 14 May 2020. For more information click [here](#) or contact Assoc. Professor Rachel Simon-Kumar: r.simon-kumar@auckland.ac.nz

2019 Prize Winners

Congratulations to the following NZPSA prize winners:

Prize for best undergraduate essay on Maori Politics

Te Karuoterangi Tuteao (Waikato-Tainui / Ngaati Mahuta ki te tai hauaauru)

“Indigenous Challenges to Mainstream Environmental Governance”

Prize for best undergraduate essay on New Zealand politics

Chloe Jackman (AUT)

“Should Participatory Budgeting be Implemented by the 2019 Auckland Council?”

Prize for best postgraduate paper on Environmental Policy and Politics presented at the NZPSA

Shaaliny Jaufar (University of Waikato)

“Sustainable Citizenship among young people in the Maldives and New Zealand: Context, conditions, and experiences”

Prize for best postgraduate essay in New Zealand politics presented at NZPSA

Joshua Ferrer (University of Otago)

“The Effects of Proportional Representation on Election Law-Making in New Zealand”

Prize for best postgraduate paper presented at NZPSA on any other topic

Esme Hall (University of Otago)

“Uncovering silences in collective memory: how France deals with challenges to republican nationalism from memories of Algeria”

PhD Page

The PhD page features the profiles of recently completed doctoral scholars, in recognition of their achievement. If you have completed yours, or know of someone from the NZPSA community who has recently completed theirs, please contact us with the details so that we may share your success.



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