APSA Annual Meeting

Chicago 2007 "Political Science and Beyond"

APSA is excited to once again return to Chicago for the 103rd Annual Meeting, which will be held from August 30–September 2, 2007. There is no place more fitting than the Windy City, home of the ground-breaking social science innovation of the various Chicago Schools of the mid-twentieth century, to celebrate the diversity of the political science profession and this year's program theme, "Political Science and Beyond." The program committee, chaired by Elisabeth R. Gerber (University of Michigan) and David A. Lake (University of California, San Diego) has put together an impressive program, consisting of over 800 panels in 46 Thematic Divisions. Panels and plenary sessions will focus on the idea of interdisciplinarity and will feature discussions and presentations from some of the most respected social scientists of our time. In addition, the program chairs have put together several theme panels which will address topics directly related to the meeting's theme, as well as current issues and hot topics in today's society.

This year's Annual Meeting will be headquartered at the Chicago's Hyatt Regency (located just off Michigan Avenue in the heart of the Magnificient Mile) and the Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers (located on the banks of the Chicago River). Both are within walking distance of the Navy Pier, Millennium Park, the Loop business district, the Art Institute, and more. In addition, there will be over 100 receptions and events planned especially for attendees during the course of the four-day Annual Meeting.

The 2007 APSA Annual Meeting will bring together over 6,000 political scientists from all over the world and will offer something for everyone, from students to senior scholars. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to network with fellow political scientists in one of America's most exciting cities. We look forward to seeing you in Chicago!

"Political Science and Beyond"

For a sneak peak at the plenary sessions, panels, and events scheduled for the 2007 Annual Meeting, **visit us online at www.apsanet.org/2007.**



Above: Chicago's trademark skyscrapers frame the Chicago River (Photo: Istockphoto/ Steve Geer).

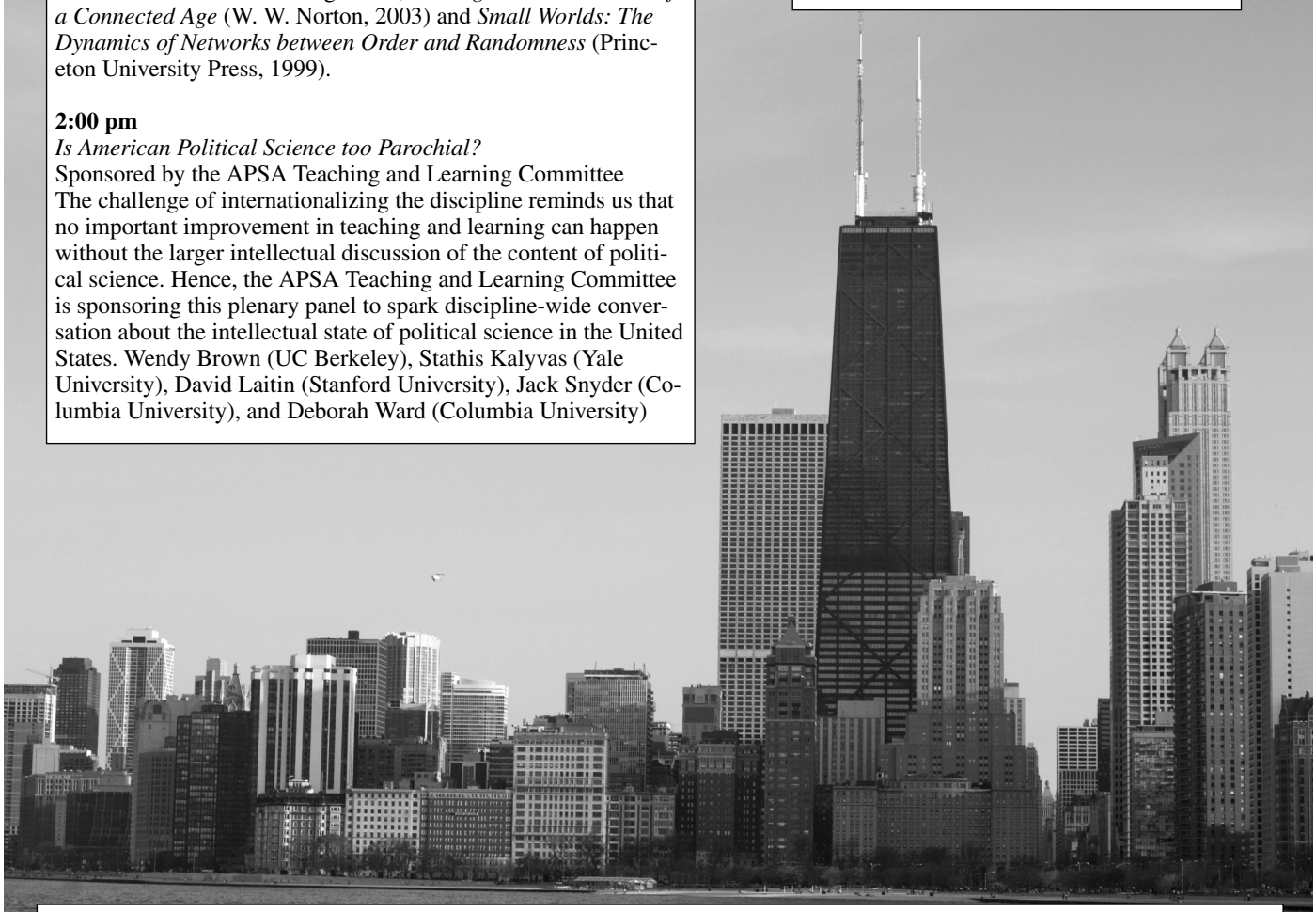
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Friday, August 31

10:30 am
Six Degrees: The Science of a Connected Age
Featuring Duncan Watts, Columbia University
Duncan Watts, professor of sociology at Columbia University, will address the foundations of social network theory and update research from his best-selling books, *Six Degrees: The Science of a Connected Age* (W. W. Norton, 2003) and *Small Worlds: The Dynamics of Networks between Order and Randomness* (Princeton University Press, 1999).

2:00 pm
Is American Political Science too Parochial?
Sponsored by the APSA Teaching and Learning Committee
The challenge of internationalizing the discipline reminds us that no important improvement in teaching and learning can happen without the larger intellectual discussion of the content of political science. Hence, the APSA Teaching and Learning Committee is sponsoring this plenary panel to spark discipline-wide conversation about the intellectual state of political science in the United States. Wendy Brown (UC Berkeley), Stathis Kalyvas (Yale University), David Laitin (Stanford University), Jack Snyder (Columbia University), and Deborah Ward (Columbia University)

Saturday, September 1

12:30 pm
Chimpanzee Politics: 25th Anniversary of a Machiavellian Exposé
Frans de Waal holds joint appointments at the Psychology Department of Emory University and the Yerkes National Primate Research Center, both in Atlanta. He will focus on new research on politics among primates in the 25 years since the publication of his path-breaking study, *Chimpanzee Politics* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 1982).

6:00 pm
Finding Democracy in the American Ghetto
Sudhir Alladi Venkatesh, Professor of Sociology and African-American Studies at Columbia University, is author of *Living Underground: The Underground Economy of the Urban Poor* (forthcoming, Harvard University Press, 2006), His current research includes a longitudinal study of vice and drug economies in Chicago and New York (with economist Steven Levitt), a comparative project on French and U.S. public housing, and an ethnographic study of the revitalization of Chicago in the 1990s.

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