

Political Science

Capstone Presentations

Spring 2026 | George S. Dively Building

Room 202 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Kylie Farrell	Police Reform in Practice: Can Community-Oriented Policing Reduce Police Brutality?	Prof. Parris
Bryce Hodge	The Case for Affirmative Action	Prof. Parris
Timothy Ma	The IRA: A Climate Bill with an Inflation Name	Prof. Parris
Naomi Moneme	The Partisan Realignment of the Anti-Vaccination Movement and Integration of the Right-Wing Identity through Media	Prof. Parris

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Abigail Gilman	The Politics of the Federal Theatre Project	Prof. White
Calaya Jennings	Political Differences Between White and Black Evangelical Protestants	Prof. White
Maren Antee	Civic Threats to Democracy: U.S. Political Groups and Democratic Backsliding	Prof. McMann
Joyce Wu	Protest and Digital Platform Migration	Prof. McMann

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Anastasia Frank	Blocking the Sun? Local Control and the Future of Solar in Ohio	Prof. Hodgetts
Lauryn Hodge	Political Determinants of Maternal Mortality: Evidence from Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio, and Georgia	Prof. Hodgetts
Laerke Kristensen	Decentralizing the Drug War: Market Structure, Militarized Repression, and Subnational Criminal Governance in Colombia and Mexico	Prof. Hodgetts
Madelynn Melda	Policy Recommendations for Electric Vehicle Uptake in the United States	Prof. Hodgetts

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Noah Allemeier	The Trump-Kennedy Center: A Study in Executive Power and Artistic Censorship	Prof. Lacombe
Anna Marocco	The School to Prison Pipeline and Exclusionary Practices	Prof. Lacombe
Devanghi Misra	The Impacts of the Trump Administration's Economic Policy on the Middle Class	Prof. Lacombe
Ethan Richter	"The Body" Model: Jesse Ventura as a Model for Outsider Politicians	Prof. Lacombe

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Connor Beck	Cristina Kirchner's Influential Populist Rhetoric in Argentina	Prof. Tartakoff
Prabin Dahal	Monetary Punishment in the American Criminal Justice System	Prof. Tartakoff
Adiel Vazquez-Torres	The Role of Legislatures in Different Redistricting Processes	Prof. Tartakoff

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A.J. Curcio	Judicial Decisions and Environmental Lawmaking in Democracies	Prof. McMann
Amrita Saini	Paradise in Conflict: Sovereignty, Religious Nationalism, and Insurgency in Kashmir	Prof. Lavelle
Nafeh Ahsan	From Grievance to Jihad: Recruitment, Networks, and Mobilization in Al Qaeda's Afghan Origins	Prof. Moore
Tai Borchert-Isaacs	Puerto Rico: Effective Counter-Revolution in the Democratic Age	Prof. Moore