

The 1995 Political Methodology Summer Conference was held in Bloomington, Indiana in July, 1995. This page provides the program and some additional background information.

## **Program Listing**

### **THURSDAY, July 27th**

#### **Morning Session: Qualitative and Cross-Level Analysis**

"A Solution to the Ecological Inference Problem"

Gary King, Harvard

Christopher Achen, Michigan (disc)

"Selection Bias in Qualitative Research"

David Collier, UC Berkeley

Philip Schrodtt, Kansas (disc)

#### **Afternoon Session: Estimation of Latent Variable Models**

"Genetic Optimization Using Derivatives: Theory and Application to Bootstrapping LISREL Models"

Walter Mebane, Cornell

Jas Sekhon, Cornell

Henry Brady, UC Berkeley (disc)

#### **Graduate Student Presentations**

### **FRIDAY, July 28th**

#### **Morning Session: Models of Persuasion and Choice**

"Who Can Persuade?: A Formal Theory, A Survey Experiment and Implications for Democracy"

Arthur Lupia, UC San Diego

James Stimson, Minnesota (disc)

"Specification and Estimation of Multi-Choice Models"

R. Michael Alvarez, Caltech  
Jonathan Nagler, UC Riverside

John Jackson, Michigan (disc)

**Afternoon Session: Empirical Models of Representation**

"Do Majority-Minority Districts Maximize Black Representation in Congress?"

David Epstein, Columbia  
Sharyn O'Halloran, Columbia

Elisabeth Gerber, UC San Diego (disc)

"Econometrics of the Swing Ratio"

Douglas Rivers, Stanford

Robert Erikson, Houston (disc)

**SATURDAY, July 29th**

**Morning Session: Time Series Analysis**

"A Markov-Mixing Model of Presidential Approval"

Simon Jackman, Chicago

Renee Smith, Rochester (disc)

"Equation Balance and Causal Inference"

Suzanna DeBoef, Penn State

Nathaniel Beck, UC San Diego (disc)

**Afternoon Session: Model Uncertainty and Missing Data**

"Specification Uncertainty and Model Mixing"

Larry Bartels, Princeton

John Freeman, Minnesota (disc)

"Missing Data and Political Analysis"

Charles Franklin, Wisconsin

Bradley Palmquist, Harvard (disc)

**SUNDAY, July 30th**

**Morning Session: Event Count Models**

"On Difference Equations, Probability Models and the 'Generalized Event Count' Distribution"

Timothy Amato, Iowa

John Londregan, Princeton (disc)

**General Discussion**

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