Latino Politics Workshop
Committee on the Status of Latin@s in the Profession
Western Political Science Association Latino Caucus
Marriott Waterfront, Portland, Oregon
March 21, 2012 - 1:00pm ➔ 5:45pm

1:00-1:15 Welcome and Introductions
Gabriel Sanchez, University of New Mexico
Cristina Beltran, New York University

1:15-2:45 2012 Elections: Presidential, Congressional, and State/Local
Moderator: Gabriel Sanchez, University of New Mexico
Panelists:
Gary Segura, Stanford University: Drawing from Latino Decisions Data to make predictions regarding the 2012 Elections
Stephen Nuno, Northern Arizona University: The Role of Latinos in Arizona’s Election Process
Gabriel Sanchez, University of New Mexico: Latino Candidates in 2012-The Case of New Mexico

2:45-3:00 Break

3:00-4:00 Graduate Student Research
Moderator: Regina Branton, University of North Texas
Panelists:
“Congressional Debate and the Issue of Immigration”
Niki Kalaf-Hughes, UC-Davis
“TBD”
Antonio Mendez, University of Southern California
“Immigration, Redistricting and Realignment”
Stephen Salas, New Mexico Highlands University
Discussant:
Jessica Lavariega-Monforti, University of Texas-Pan American
4:00-4:15  Break

4:15-5:45  Transitioning from Graduate Student to Assistant Professor

Moderator: Regina Branton, University of North Texas

Panelists:
Christina Bejarano, University of Kansas
Jillian-Anne Medeiros, University of New Mexico
Stephen Nuno, University of Northern Arizona