

MEDIA ADVISORY: Tulane experts available for comment on midterm elections

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These Tulane University experts are available to comment on all issues associated with the midterm elections including immigration, health care and gun control.

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GENERAL ELECTION

Brian Brox, associate professor of political science, School of Liberal Arts
Areas of expertise: American politics, political behavior, campaigns and elections, political parties, public opinion, electoral rules/reform

Geoffrey Dancy, assistant professor of political science, School of Liberal Arts
Areas of expertise: Gun issues (violence, policy, race, police brutality), the rise of indecency in political speech

Mirya Holman, associate professor of political science, School of Liberal Arts
Areas of expertise: women running, the 'pink wave', women vs. women races, sheriffs' races

J. Celeste Lay, associate professor of political science, School of Liberal Arts
Areas of expertise: U.S. public policy, elections, public opinion, voting behavior, politics of social policies (including education, health care, immigration and gun control), politics of "whiteness," the millennial vote

HEALTH CARE/HEALTH CARE POLICY

Mollye Demosthenidy, clinical associate professor, Department of Global Health Management and Policy
Areas of expertise: Affordable Care Act, repeal and replace, candidates' plans for health care, current reform proposals

Mark L. Diana, associate professor and chair, Department of Global Health Management and Policy
Areas of expertise: health care reform, health policy, health care delivery

IMMIGRATION

Laila Hlass, professor of law, Tulane Law School
Areas of expertise: law, policy and practices that affect access to justice within the immigration law regime for particularly vulnerable communities including children, detainees, asylum-seekers, survivors of violence

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Christopher Fettweis, associate professor of political science, School of Liberal Arts
Areas of expertise: U.S. foreign policy, international security, ISIS

ECONOMY

Christopher Oliver, professor of practice in sociology, School of Liberal Arts
Areas of expertise: labor, employment and unemployment; political economy; economic sociology; environmental sociology, crime and regulation; urban sociology; policy and housing; environmental contaminants and housing

Peter F. Ricchiuti, professor of finance, A.B. Freeman School of Business
Areas of expertise: employment, stock market, Wall Street, myths surrounding the U.S. economy

Steven M. Sheffrin, professor of economics, executive director of the Murphy Institute, School of Liberal Arts
Areas of expertise: taxation, spending, general economic policy

ISSUES OF RACE

Nghana Lewis, associate professor of English and African and African Diaspora Studies, adjunct professor of psychology, also affiliated with Tulane Law School
Areas of expertise: race relations, criminal justice reform, Black/Blue Lives Matter, pay discrimination, voter suppression

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW/U.S. SUPREME COURT

Stephen Griffin, professor of constitutional law, Tulane Law School
Areas of expertise: U.S. Supreme Court decisions and appointments, constitutional law, constitutional and political reform, how the Constitution plays into the election