University of Richmond faculty members are available to share their expertise on the 2016 Presidential Campaign, including key issues and topics important to voters. UR’s Media and Public Relations team can help to connect you with faculty, as well as identify other potential resources as issues emerge during this campaign year.

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Featured Experts

*These faculty experts can speak in general about campaigns and elections, on both the Virginia and national level.*

**Ernest B. McGowen III**, assistant professor of political science
Expertise: National campaigns and elections; political and voting behavior; public opinion; political methodology; race and ethnicity

He recently addressed the black vote: [http://bit.ly/1oKqXsk](http://bit.ly/1oKqXsk)

**Dan Palazzolo**, chair and professor of political science
Expertise: Campaign reaction; voting behavior (national and Virginia), including Virginia’s transition to a blue state; election issues vs. party lines; political methodology; budget policy and politics

Palazzolo was recently interviewed about the Virginia primaries: [http://bit.ly/1XQ8iqO](http://bit.ly/1XQ8iqO)
Additional Experts

Climate Change/Environment

- **Joel Eisen**, professor of law
  Expertise: Energy law and policy; environmental law and policy; climate change

- **Noah Sachs**, professor of law and director of the Robert R. Merhige Jr. Center for Environmental Studies
  Expertise: U.S. and international environmental law; toxic substances and hazardous waste regulation; climate change; transboundary pollution

Economics

- **Dean Croushore**, chair and professor of economics
  Expertise: The Federal Reserve; monetary policy; macroeconomics; real-time data analysis

Healthcare and Human Rights

- **Patti Carey**, adjunct instructor of management
  Expertise: public policy (gender issues)

- **Jennifer Erkulwater**, associate professor of political science
  Expertise: American politics; public policy, including healthcare and social welfare

- **Jessica Flanigan**, assistant professor of leadership studies and philosophy, politics, economics and law
  Expertise: Healthcare; ethics; political philosophy

- **Rick Mayes**, associate professor of political science and co-coordinator, Healthcare Studies Program
  Expertise: Healthcare policy; health insurance

Hip Hop/The Rap Vote

- **Erik Nielson**, assistant professor of liberal arts
  Expertise: Hip-hop and politics in the Obama era; co-author of “The Hip Hop & Obama Reader”

International Issues

- **Sheila Carapico**, professor of political science and international studies
  Expertise: Conflict in Middle East; ISIS; international development policy
• **Stephen Long**, associate professor of political science and international studies
  Expertise: International security policy; global rivalry and alliance politics; political causes of military effectiveness; nuclear proliferation

• **Peter Smallwood**, associate professor of biology
  Expertise: International science policy, particularly relating to Iraq and Afghanistan; science diplomacy

### Law

• **Henry L. Chambers Jr.**, professor of law
  Expertise: Voting rights, employment discrimination

• **John Pagan**, professor of law
  Expertise: Election law; sexuality and the law

• **Carl Tobias**, professor of law
  Expertise: Constitutional law issues; judicial selections, including Supreme Court

### Leadership

• **Joanne Ciulla**, professor of leadership studies
  Expertise: Ethical leadership; international leadership; conflict resolution

• **Donelson Forsyth**, professor of leadership studies
  Expertise: Group dynamics, i.e. why Democrats and Republicans value different things; social behavior

• **Gary McDowell**, professor of leadership studies
  Expertise: American political thought; American presidency; U.S. Supreme Court; Constitutional history; leadership and the law

• **Sandra Peart**, dean and professor of leadership studies
  Expertise: Ethics and economics; leadership ethics; history of economic thought; history of political economy; experimental economics

• **Christopher von Rueden**, assistant professor of leadership studies
  Expertise: Leader emergence; how evolution informs elections; status hierarchy

### Media’s Role in Politics

• **Shahan Mufti**, assistant professor of journalism
  Expertise: Former war correspondent in Pakistan; author who interspersed his family’s history there with political situation at the time
Minority Issues (women in politics, race and politics)

- Julian Hayter, assistant professor of leadership studies
  Expertise: Race and politics; modern African-American history; American political development after 1945

- Crystal Hoyt, professor of leadership studies and psychology
  Expertise: Women and minority leaders; stereotypes and discrimination; social issues

Music and Politics

- Joanna Love, assistant professor of music
  Expertise: How political campaigns use music; music's role in advertising, video, and film

Rhetoric and Communication (speeches, debates, etc.)

- Paul Achter, chair and associate professor of rhetoric and communications studies
  Expertise: War rhetoric; television

- Timothy Barney, assistant professor of rhetoric
  Expertise: Political communication (teaching spring 2016 class); internationalism; Eastern European political culture

- Sarah Hillgrove, adjunct instructor of management
  Expertise: Speech writing; public policy (Federal Government)

The above list is a sampling of the resources available to you through the expertise of University of Richmond faculty. Contact us today, and let us help you with the stories you are working on.