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MacManus Leads APSA-Law Schools Workshop on Urban Strategies

Under the auspices of APSA and the Organized Section on Urban Politics, Susan MacManus of University of South Florida, organized political science participation in a day-long workshop entitled "New Strategies for Inner Cities: Academics, Professionals and Communities

in Partnership." The January 7 program was jointly sponsored by APSA and the Association of American Law Schools and held in conjunction with the 1998 Annual Meeting of AALS in San Francisco.

This occasion marked the first formally co-sponsored event by the two organizations and represented an effort to foster collaboration between social scientists and legal scholars. Attendance exceeded 300, and was deemed highly successful by APSA and AALS Executive Directors Catherine Rudder and Carl Monk. "The workshop stemmed from a year's worth of planning and necessitated considerable give-and-take between the two organizations. Our efforts, skillfully spearheaded by Susan MacManus with assistance from APSA staffer Theresa Gubicza, were amply rewarded," Rudder observed.

"We learned lessons about interdisciplinary and interorganizational collaboration that we will be able to apply to other joint projects of this sort. In the workshop itself, participants were exposed to the need to reach beyond our individual departments and schools, in order to take advantage of the entire intellectual resources of an institution," said Rudder. "I hope that this workshop will have instigated a desire for scholars from law schools and political science departments to work together."

The central question addressed during the conference was, "how can the talent, energy and knowledge of the academy be unleashed in service of the community in which it exists?" In the morning session three projects—on mapping the effects of concentrated poverty, cleaning up and preventing pollution, and stimulating inner city retail development—were discussed by some of

the participating professors, students, and community members. The presentations were followed by observations from a number of scholars, including Susan Clarke of the University of Colorado, Carlos Munoz, Jr. of the University of California, Berkeley, and Helen M. Ingram of the University of California, Irvine.

The afternoon featured a series of concurrent workshops, co-lead by political scientists Nikki Van Hightower, Texas A&M; Kenneth Wong, University of Chicago; Cynthia Farrar, Yale University; Bruce Cain and Charles P. Henry, University of California, Berkeley; Paula D. McClain, University of Virginia; Michael B. Preston, University of Southern California; Evan McKenzie, University of Illinois, Chicago; Richard R. DeLeon and Brian Murphy, San Francisco State University; and Susan Clarke who also spoke in the morning session.

APSA has a long history of inter-organizational cooperation, most notably with the American Historical Association, which copublishes *The Scholar Saver* and which cosponsored Project '87 and the Bill of Rights Education Collaborative. Currently, the American Federation of Teachers, APSA, and the Center for Civic Education are working together on fostering civic education in the new democracies of Eurasia and Eastern Europe. APSA has also initiated interdisciplinary membership arrangements with the American Sociological Association, the American Society of International Law, and AHA.

In addition, APSA is an active member of such multidisciplinary groups as the Consortium of Social Science Associations, the National Humanities Alliance, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, and the American Council of Learned Societies. Internationally, APSA is a founding member of the International Political Science Association, and former APSA President Theodore Lowi of Cornell University currently serves as its President.

Updated Professional Ethics Guide Available Online

The newly-revised *Guide to Professional Ethics in Political Science* is now available to members online at <http://www.apsanet.org>. While no major changes have been made, new language has been added to help political scientists protect themselves from age and sex discrimination and to clarify procedures for individual grievances. The revised ethics guide will soon also be available in booklet form from the APSA.