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Addressing “Representation and Renewal” at the 2012 Annual Meeting

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How can political scientists reconsider the ideals attached to representation? What impedes the realization of those ideals in practice? How can we address these questions with a focus on renewal? Exploring these questions and many others related to the theme “Representation and Renewal” will be the focus of the 2012 Annual Meeting. Developed by program chairs **Lynn Vavreck**, University of California, Los Angeles, and **John Carey**, Dartmouth College, the 2012 theme statement calls for research that addresses questions about representation, asks what representative relationships can and cannot achieve, and explores how these relationships might be renewed, reformed, or retooled.

Along with panels that speak to the theme of representation and renewal, the Annual Meeting program advances work across many subfields and divisions. Chairs from each of the 51 divisions and more than 60 related

groups will develop a dynamic program from an estimated 10,000 individual proposals. In addition to more than 800 panels, the meeting includes a variety of special events: an address from APSA president G. Bingham Powell, Jr. followed by the opening reception, hundreds of university and affiliate-group receptions, and an awards ceremony and luncheon. Additional features like the job placement service and lively exhibit hall offer even more opportunities for a rich and professional experience.

Beyond its special features and robust program, the 2012 Annual Meeting affords attendees an opportunity to encounter a fascinating city, New Orleans, Louisiana. One of America’s most culturally and historically complex destinations, New Orleans provides an opportunity to explore a city that has grappled with profound urban disaster and renewal and reflects broad diversity of population and values. The charm of its historic architecture, the dynamism of the

French Quarter, and the spirit of its many jazz clubs offers much to visitors.

With its distinctive location and what promises to be an exciting program, the 2012 Annual Meeting is an important scholarly event. Registration and housing will open in March. More information about the 2012 Annual Meeting is available through the APSA website, www.apsanet.org/2012.

New Orleans Facts

Recent Population of New Orleans, LA

2010	2000	change
343,829	484,674	-29.%

Population History

Year	Number
1990	496,938
1960	627,525
1930	458,762
1900	287,104

Source: www.census.gov