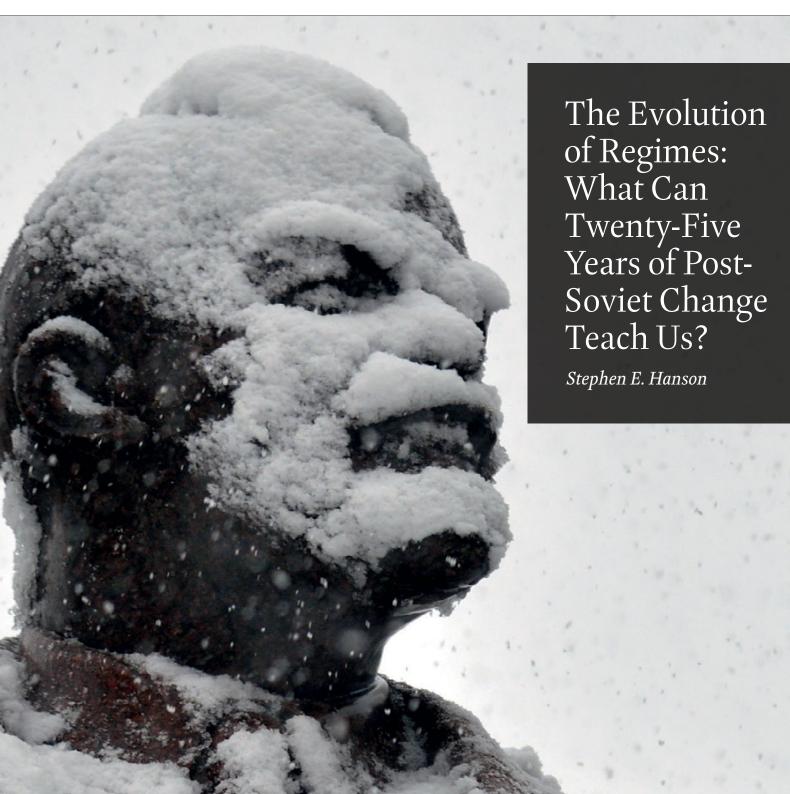
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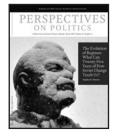
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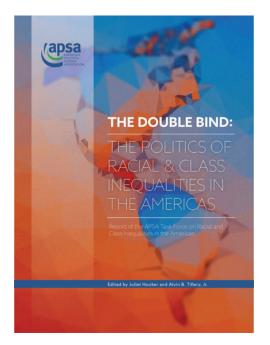
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The Double Bind: The Politics of Racial and Class Inequalities in the Americas



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how race and class interact to produce political, social, and material inequalities in the nations of the Americas. Political science has begun to pay greater attention to the causes and consequences of inequality, but the recent literature on inequality in political science has focused on how rising income inequality affects political representation. The task force delves further.

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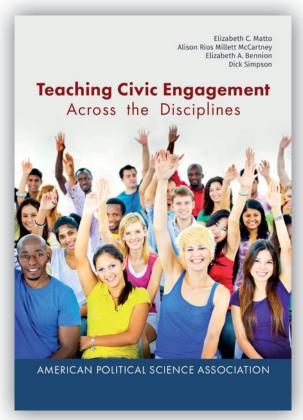
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