

# Political Science First Annual Paper and Thesis Competition 2013-2014

The 2013-2014 nominations for the Department of Political Science's first annual paper and thesis competition are now complete. We had 20 superb papers and theses nominated from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

The winning papers and theses will be announced in September 2014 in an awards ceremony to be held in the Department of Political Science.

Congratulations to all the nominees!  
Dr. Joshua D. Goldstein  
Awards Committee Chair, 2013-2014



## **NOMINATIONS:**

### ***For Best Senior Undergraduate Paper:***

- Katrina Ades, "The Evolution of Intimate Partner Violence in Canada"
- Heidi Konnert, "American Exceptionalism: Foreign Policy and Human Rights"
- Graham Rapson, "Plato's Republic and Hegel's Subjectivity"
- Kyle Schole, "Thawing Ice, Flaring Tempers"

### ***For Best Undergraduate Honours Thesis:***

- Lucas Czarnecki, "Social Media as a Form of Party Contact: New Strategies and Trends in Political Mobilization"
- Cailean David, "Petroleum and Polarization: A Possible Resource Curse in Ghana"
- Paul Huestis, "Alberta Energy Policy: Evaluating the State of Wind Power"
- Briana MacEachern, "Ethnic Conflict in Post-Independence Kenya"
- Kyle Schutz, "The Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness: Public Policy Failure or Victim Of Unforeseen Consequences?"
- Harris Stephenson, "Cultures in Conflict: The United States Army, Change, And Culture Centric Warfare in Iraq"
- Jessica Weber, "China in the Arctic: Creating a Presence"

### ***For Best Graduate Paper:***

- Andrew Basso, "Private Military Security Contractors, National Wars, and Just War Theory"
- Nigel Cones, "Power-Knowledge and the Culture of Argument: Reading Thucydides as Postmodern IR Theory"
- Sean Fleming, "Extending the Spatial Analogy: Hyper-Spatial Modeling of Party Competition"
- Danny Garrett-Rempel, "Matching the Rhetoric of Canada's Northern Strategy to Reality: New Technologies and Canada's Arctic Sovereignty"
- Elizabeth Pando, "Gender and Class: An Evaluation of Latin American Welfare Systems"
- Jessica Weber, "The Game of War"

### ***For Best MA Thesis:***

- Sean Fleming, "The Locus of Responsibility in International Relations: A Theory of State Responsibility"
- Elsa Piersig, "No Confidence in Non-Confidence Votes: Would the New Zealand Confidence Protocol or Constructive Non-Confidence Restore the Canadian Confidence Convention?"

### ***For Best PhD Thesis:***

- David Snow, "Failure to Reproduce: Assisted Reproductive Technology Policy in Canada"