

POLITICAL SCIENCE SPEAKER SERIES

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### **“I Hope to Hell Nothing Goes Back to The Way It Was Before”: COVID-19, Marginalization, and Native Nations**

Professor Laura Evans will share insights from her research on how partisan and systemic inequities have fueled the spread of COVID-19 in Native America. Using new and original data, Professor Evans shows how the continued political marginalization of Native Americans has compounded long standing inequalities and endangered the lives of Native peoples. Native communities saw greater rates of infection, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19 in 2020. Data from the project also shows that Native nations have more COVID-19 cases if they are located in states with a higher ratio of Trump supporters and reside in states with Republican governors. The findings engage with literature on Native American politics, health policy within U.S. federalism, and structural health inequalities, and should be of interest to both scholars and practitioners interested in understanding COVID-19 outcomes across Tribes in the United States.

#### **TIME**

Friday, September 30, 2022  
11:00AM-12:20PM

#### **LOCATION**

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#### **ZOOM DETAILS**

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