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Virtual Celebration of 2020 Graduates

Since public health concerns have forced the university to postpone in-person commencement ceremonies, Dean Jennifer S. Holmes and the faculty in the School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences invite you to join a virtual celebration of EPPS graduates on Friday, December 18 at 2 p.m.

Graduates, please submit your photo and/or video to be featured at the virtual celebration by Dec. 10, 2020

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PUBLICATION SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Qui in ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing

Dr. Fang Qui, Professor and Head of Geospatial Information Sciences Program, has co-authored a journal article on integrating spectral variability and spatial distribution for object-based image analysis using curve matching approaches.

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Dr. Sabharwal in International Journal of Public Sector Management

Dr. Meghna Sabharwal co-authored a recent publication titled *"Innovation in Public Organizations: Do Government Reforms Matter?"* She published this research with her former doctoral student, Dr. Imane Hijal-Moghrabi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Social Sciences, University of Texas at Permian Basin and Dr. Kannan Ramanathan, Naveen Jindal School of Management.

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NEWS SPOTLIGHT



Dr. Kim Investigates Preparedness for New Disease Outbreaks in South Korea

Dr. Dohyeong Kim, associate professor of public policy and political economy and of geospatial information sciences, and his co-authors have used historical data to evaluate whether South Korea is prepared for future outbreaks of infectious diseases like COVID-19. Spatial allocation methods can indicate specific locations which governments should allocate funds to install NPIRs, one of the most critical resources for controlling infectious respiratory diseases.

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Sara Mokuria Featured in D Magazine

In a feature article in D Magazine, Sara Mokuria, associate director of leadership initiatives at the Institute for Urban Policy Research, talks about how her father's death still impacts her work nearly three decades later. As co-founder of Mothers Against Police Brutality, Mokuria leads efforts to promote transparency and accountability in policing.

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



James Richards Publishes RUSH TO WIN

Political Economy Alumnus James Richards MA'78, has recently published a book about his successful campaign for the Dallas City Council. The book, *RUSH TO WIN: An inside story of a young candidate's long-shot campaign for City Hall*, shares inside aspects of building a team, developing strategies, and describes interactions among partisan forces in a non-partisan campaign.

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Sherri van der Wege Recognized by the Water Environment Association of Texas

International Political Economy Alumna Sherri van der Wege was awarded the Water Environment Association of Texas (WEAT) *Ronald B. Sieger Biosolids Management Award*. As past chair of the WEAT Biosolids Committee and member of Water Environment Federation's Residuals and Biosolids Committee, Sherri advocates for beneficial reuse of biosolids based on current science and safe management.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

With notable EPPS alumni, faculty, students, and community members from across the globe.

FRIDAY
04
December

1 p.m.

Final Examination - Graduate Program in Economics
Experimental Studies on Individual Decision-Making and Game Theory by Maryam Ahmadi

Join via MS
Teams

TUESDAY
08
December

2 p.m.

The Pandemic in Policy, Practice and Politics
Who is not wearing a face mask and why? Presented by Dr.
Dohyeong Kim



Learn more and
join

WEDNESDAY
09
December

5 p.m.

Slice & Dice with the Dean

New England Corn Chowder presented by Dr. Denise Boots



Learn more and
join

THURSDAY
10
December

10 a.m.

Final Examination - Graduate Program in Political Science
NATO Burden-Sharing and Keeping the Peace: Crisis Response and the Military Capabilities Gap by Brent Sackett

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EPPS IN THE NEWS

A curated look at recent articles featuring EPPS faculty, students and alumni.

KDFW Fox 4
[Report Warns of Increasing Threat of Violence from Extremists in North Texas](#)

[Researcher Looks at Causes for Recent COVID-19 Spike](#)

[Texas About To Pass Total 2016 Turnout Before 2020 Early Vote Concludes](#)

CBS 11
[The Battle Over Daylight Saving Time; 'The Change Is Deeply Unpopular'](#)

WalletHub
[How Will Racial Minorities Shape Future Elections?](#)

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