

ROCHESTER CONFERENCE ON DEMOCRATIC NORMS

June 5 & 6, 2025

321 Morey Hall

University of Rochester Campus

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UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

Thursday, June 5

Conference Venue: 321 Morey Hall, University of Rochester River Campus

- 9:00am Shuttle leaves Strathallan Hotel for University of Rochester Campus
- 9:30am Breakfast
- 10:20am Opening Remarks, Gretchen Helmke and Stu Jordan
- 10:30am Paper: Milan Svolik, "Partisan Mistrust and the Erosion of Democratic Norms."
- 11:15am Coffee & snacks
- 11:30am Paper: Mehdi Shadmehr (with A. Arda Gitmez and James A Robinson), "Missing Discussions: A Theory of Islamic Political Thought."
- 12:15pm Lunch
- 1:45pm Panel: "Measuring and Defining Norms." John Carey, Jack Paine, Dietlind Stolle, Vicente Valentim, Moderated by Gretchen Helmke.
- 2:45pm Coffee & snacks
- 3:00pm Paper: Daniel Goldstein (with Kaja Sparre Bakke, Sirianne Dahlum, and Tore Wig), "Elites as Democratic Gatekeepers: Theory and Evidence from Norway."
- 3:45pm Coffee & snacks
- 4:00pm Paper: Nathan Canen (with Anujit Chakraborty) "Measuring Democratic Backsliding Through the Wisdom of Crowds."
- 4:55pm Shuttle leaves University of Rochester Campus for the Strathallan Hotel
- 6:00pm Drinks & Dinner at the Century Club of Rochester. 566 East Avenue, Rochester, NY, 14607. (Across the street from the Strathallan Hotel)

Friday, June 6

Conference Venue: 321 Morey Hall, University of Rochester River Campus

- 9:00am Shuttle leaves Strathallan Hotel for University of Rochester Campus
- 9:30am Breakfast
- 10:30am Paper: Moti Michaeli (with Amnon Maltz), "Trust During Times of Political Unrest."
- 11:15am Coffee & snacks
- 11:30am Paper: Eric Groendyk (with Erik Kimbrough and Mark Pickup), "Democratic Norms are Social Norms: How Partisans' Normative Expectations Are (Re)shaping American Democracy."
- 12:15pm Lunch
- 1:45pm Panel: "New Norms in American Politics." Julia Azari, Folco Panizza, Brendan Nyhan, Sahar Fard, Moderated by Jamie Druckman.
- 2:45pm Coffee & snacks
- 3:00pm Book Excerpt: Vicente Valentim, "The Normalization of the Radical Right: A Norms Theory of Political Supply and Demand."
- 3:45pm Coffee & snacks
- 4:00pm Paper: Anne Meng (with Andrew Little) "Presidential Election Concessions."
- 4:55pm Shuttle leaves University of Rochester Campus for the Rochester International Airport

Locations and Contacts

Strathallan Hotel

550 East Avenue
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Conference Venue

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Thursday Evening Dinner Venue

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