

## **Fall 2017 Openings**

### **Lab Experiments Intern** *(up to two positions available)*

This intern will work on the lab experiments component of the Contentious Interpersonal Political Interactions (CIPI) project, described in more detail [here](#). In addition to helping design, administer, and analyze the data for lab studies related to this NSF-funded project, members of this group take primary responsibility for coordinating and staffing the Omnibus Project. The methodological focus for this position is related to psychophysiology and social psychological experimental design. Students should have a substantive interest in individual-level social or political behaviors that can be studied via survey and experimental techniques. Ideal candidates will have taken related coursework in the government, psychology or neuroscience programs and will be interested in developing an independent project related to the methodological or substantive focus of the group.

### **Political Communication Intern** *(up to two positions available)*

This intern will work with the group on one or more of several different tasks related to both of Prof. Settle's active research projects. As part of the [CIPI Project](#), Prof. Settle has collected a trove of free response and closed ended survey data, asking people to describe and characterize their experiences related to political discussion. Political communication interns will help code and analyze this data. Interns will also be involved helping Prof. Settle with her [book project](#). The manuscript is currently under review, but interns will be involved in the revision process and in designing new experiments to extend the findings in the book. Ideal candidates will have taken related coursework in the government, public policy, psychology, computer science or linguistics programs and will be interested in developing an independent project related to the political communication of the elites or the mass public.

### **Political Rhetoric Intern** *(up to one position available)*

In a joint project with Prof. Van der Veen and some of his research assistants, students on this project will explore the different patterns of language that conservative and liberal politicians use when making speeches to their respective political bases. Once these patterns are characterized, we can then classify other forms of political communication, like newspaper text or television transcripts.