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Agenda

Thursday, January 20, 2022

9:00 - 9:30 am	**Introduction** Joshua C. Huder, Ph.D. Senior Fellow Government Affairs Institute at Georgetown University	
9:30 - 10:45	**Where are we Now? Contemporary Political Dynamics** Tim Alberta Staff Writer The Atlantic	**ZOOM**
10:45 - 11:00 am	**Break**	
11:00 - 12:00 pm	**Electoral Currents ahead of the Midterm Elections** Jacob Rubashkin Reporter and Analyst Inside Elections	
12:00 - 1:00 pm	**Lunch**	
1:00 - 2:15 pm	**Current Budget and Appropriations Politics** Jennifer Shutt Reporter Budget and Appropriations CQ Roll Call	
2:15 - 2:30 pm	**Break**	
2:30 - 3:30 pm	**Political Dynamics of the 117th Congress** Josh Huder, Ph.D.	
3:30 - 4:00 pm	**Wrap-Up & Evaluation**	

Speaker Bios

Josh Huder, Ph.D.

Joshua C. Huder, Ph.D., joined the Government Affairs Institute as a Senior Fellow in 2013. He primarily teaches courses on American government, Congress, advanced legislative process, separation of powers, and the federal budget process. He has provided political analysis to several news outlets, including the New York Times, Washington Post, Congressional Quarterly, Newsweek, Washington Examiner, Bloomberg News, CNN, and more.

Prior to joining GAI, Josh worked on the Hill as an American Political Science Association (APSA) Congressional Fellow. His portfolio included legislative procedure, government affairs, financial services, voting rights, campaign finance, trade, small business, and other issues. He is currently writing a book on the history of congressional procedure and politics since 1879.

Education: B.A., Rutgers University; M.A., University of Florida; Ph.D., University of Florida

Timothy J. Alberta

Tim Alberta recently joined the team of Staff Writers at The Atlantic after serving several years as chief political correspondent for POLITICO where his longer form work was often published in the publication's magazine. Tim is widely recognized as one of the most skilled political reporters of his generation, covering a range of topics, including: The Trump presidency; Capitol Hill; the ideological warfare between and within the two parties; demographic change in America; and the evolving role of money in elections. Most recently, he received critical acclaim for co-moderating the final Democratic presidential primary debate in 2019 hosted by PBS Newshour and POLITICO. Based in Michigan and tasked with roving widely across battleground states, Tim writes a regular "Letter to Washington," a 2020 dispatch highlighting stories, trends, and people from outside the political bubble for the political bubbles.

Prior to his stint at POLITICO, Tim had extensive experience at National Journal, where he covered Congress as House leadership reporter and later reported on campaigns as the publication's senior political correspondent. In addition, he served as senior editor of The Hotline, and has reported for both The Wall Street Journal and covered the 2016 campaign for National Review. Tim's work has been featured in dozens of other publications nationwide, including Sports Illustrated and Vanity Fair, and he frequently appears as a commentator on political television programs in the United States and around the world. His 2019 book, American Carnage: On the Front Lines of the Republican Civil War and the Rise of President Trump, debuted at No. 2 on the New York Times best-seller list. He lives in his native Michigan with his wife, three sons and German Shepherd.

Jacob Rubashkin

Jacob Rubashkin is a DC-based writer interested in politics, campaigns, and government. He is currently a reporter and analyst for Inside Elections, which provides in-depth, non-partisan analysis and reporting on federal elections across the country.

Previously, Jacob worked at NBC News in Washington, DC, the CNN Political Unit, in a Capitol Hill office, and on one or two political campaigns. He graduated from Cornell University, where he was the editor-in-chief of The Cornell Daily Sun, a 139-year-old independent newspaper that reaches hundreds of thousands of readers every month, and where he also studied government and history with a focus on despotism and war.

Jennifer Shutt

Jennifer Shutt is a budget and appropriations reporter at CQ Roll Call. She covers the spending levels, policy and politics that go along with the annual budget resolution as well as the 12 annual spending bills. Prior to joining CQ Roll Call, she worked at Politico as a web producer. She holds degrees in journalism and political science from Penn State University.