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## How will COVID 19 Impact the 2020 Election

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And not the biggest. It's true. So then we'll get started.

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For those of you just joining us, we're gonna get started in about five or six minutes. It will be turned off this format that we're doing. So you won't be able to hear you. But you can communicate to us through the chat feature and WebEx.

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And that's how you'll be able to ask questions that will be looking for.

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We need to make this feel like we're like a TV studio interviews should be have you say your name and count backwards from Tim? It was funny. I don't know if you've had this experience, but when I, I first did TV.

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I was expecting more, right? Like, I was wondering, are they gonna have makeup or are they gonna debrief me?

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Or is there a green room and you just realize you're just kinda hiding in the corner of a studio and then you go but I do remember at a few of the different places I've been when I first come,

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the journalist will be really,

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really chatty and they,

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they've told me afterwards.

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Yeah just trying to warm you up. Just make sure you're ready to roll and then when you come in later, sometimes you don't even speak before your your life. You probably had the same with a lease. I'm sure.

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And it was fun because Elisa and I are both football fans, so yeah, we hit it off. And the producers, like, we really need to talk about China laughs. Hello?

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Avon.

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I think will give it three more minutes. Okay. Let, you know, we still have some time those of you. Joining will be. We'll be starting in a little bit. You won't be able to speak through your microphone.

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You can communicate to the panelists with your chat feature in WebEx, which is in the bottom of your WebEx Windows is a little bubble icon that you can click on. That will open up the chat window. And then you can chat with the panelists with any questions.

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And they'll be looking at those questions throughout the presentation to make sure we try to get all your questions answered.

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Hey, Dan, let's see.

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And if people are commenting their people, it's strange for us too. Right? We're used to talking to an audience people. Yeah. Yeah.

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Sorry, you're hard work will pay off Dan laughs. Commented even got dressed up for the occasion and laughs.

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That's great. That's great. That's about three o'clock. Craig. Do you want to maybe introduce just the technology side of it? One more time yeah.

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for those of you,

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joining,

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that you can chat with the panelists ask questions.

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And then they will be monitoring that to make sure your questions  
getting answered throughout the presentation.

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Thank you so much for that Craig and think everybody, I just want to  
thank you for attending today. This is the second and our series  
shelter in place lectures, being sponsored by the faculty on it today.  
I'm really happy to introduce Dr.

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Lee, Hannah, a colleague of mine in the school of public international affairs, and also, I'm happy to say friends of mine and I think we're really going to enjoy his presentation today by way of background. Dr.

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Hanna is an associate professor of political science in SPIA. Our school for publicans, international fair.

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He's an alumnus, a Penn State University where he earned his pH. D in political science in two thousand and five could be in two thousand and fifteen.

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So,

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what I prior to graduating from Penn State,

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earn his masters in education and curriculum and instruction,

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and a bachelor of art history from Virginia Tech is research and teaching interest,

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primarily focused on state politics and diffusion and construction of public policy.

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Those of you who are going to date in the area, you see, lead many times early in the morning on many of the local stations commenting on these areas Dr hannah's work has been published in journals such as science. How will see studies journals?

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Yes, others, new forces on American politics, including classes on campaigns and elections, political polarization and political participation fearing for a real treat this lecture today.

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And now Dr Hannah turn it over to you. Great. Thank you so much Laura, and it really is an honor to get to do this and it's also just a great idea. I'm very thankful that our.

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Numerous leaders thought of this idea of trying to spark the same kind of academic environment that we're used to on campus and to instead, you know, have that remotely.

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And, as we've often said, it's, it's, it's, it's distance learning, but we hope that they're still close closeness in terms of the connections we can make. And and, and that's that's the hope with these types of lectures.

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It can just be a reminder of the of just the great things we have going on at right. State and in our academic community, and in the broader dating community.

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I know too,

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though,

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that many of you are very much feeling the direct effects of this pandemic,

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either you,

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or your loved ones are facing,

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you know,

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the,

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the challenges of this crisis,

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either on a,

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on a health level,

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or on an economic level and so,

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while it can see try to to talk about an election in the midst of such  
a significant crisis.

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At the same time. This kind of event draws our attention where the  
need of competent and effective leaders.

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And so, in a democracy, we have this privilege of going to the polls  
and either rewarding our incumbent office holders for showing.

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Competence and strong leadership during a difficult time, or  
sanctioned them if we feel that they are up to the moment, or that  
their challenges of brought forth better ideas. So I will largely be  
talking about the presidential election.

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However, many of the principles I'll discuss apply and can really  
trickle down to the state and local and federal races down on the  
ballot and hopefully, we'll have some time to maybe discuss of what we  
can anticipate there as well.

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I'm also happy to discuss questions as they come about. I have the  
chat window open. It can it can serve as a distraction as you can  
imagine.

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But Dr Lauren and and Craig will be watching the chats as well.

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And so if you do have a question, as we said earlier, you can just type in the chat window and, you know, we'll try to answer as much as we can as we, as we go through.

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So Here's just a brief outline of where I will be going today. I'm not going to make any bold predictions.

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In fact,

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I would say predictions at this point or a bit of a fool's errand but I will lay out some key factors that I think you should consider my goal here,

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is that you can at least intelligently consume the wave of information that's coming your way.

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And, you know, the, the truth is some of the political shows out there are.

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Right,

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and the stoking anger and a big reaction,

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and,

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you know,

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I just want to note that hopefully this can help,

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you think of some of the broader themes,

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and kind of anchor yourself as we get tell us back and forth with the,

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the twenty four hour news cycle and the punditry,

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and I'll also just say that we're in the midst of of a true black swan  
events coven nineteen has massive implications that we do not fully  
understand,

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which will likely make the election even that much more unpredictable.

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So,

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this talk is very contingent on what happens with next with coven  
nineteen there are many things we do not know including how,

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and when we start resetting some aspects of the economy and social  
life,

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when will we see advances in testing and treatment,

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whether or not we build some kind of herd immunity,

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whether,

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or not,

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we're permitted to being crowds and when or we're comfortable being in crowds and when these are all questions that I just can't answer and so they will certainly affect,

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you know,

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what we see and,

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moreover,

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there's,

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you know,

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there's thoughts that we can see a resurgence of Cronin virus in the fall and,

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of course that effects the very moment when we're trying to make this huge decision.

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So so we are going to have some contingency, some questions that we can't answer. I love this tweet. I came across today by Caitlin river.

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She's an outbreak specialist at Johns Hopkins, and she said, if experts tell you something as unknowable, don't keep asking new people until you get a straight answer, because in doing. So you haven't found the truth.

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You found someone who wants your ear and so my goal here is to talk about these broad themes, and you can kind of fill in the blanks yourself, depending on how we handle current events we'll be going.

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And in particular, we'll discuss how cobit nineteen is gonna affect the way we, we see campaigning the way we experience it. It's gonna affect the, the incumbent advantages in some unique ways that we haven't really seen at this level.

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And then we'll also look at some of the fundamental measures that tend to be a, a strong indicator of strong predictor historically, of how, you know, a president and their challenger will fare.

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We'll discuss how cover nineteen could really shakeup policy preferences and kind of open up the window of what's possible and finally, we'll just talk about how it's going to shape the actual way that we vote.

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So that is the outline here and I'm happy to, like I said, take questions as they come up. And I know that Dr. is also watching too. So, let her keep an eye on that as well.

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So, the first big thing to discuss is changes in campaigning. I teach campaigns and elections.

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We spend a lot of time discussing these big focusing events, like, you know, moments in rallies or big moments in debates or October surprises and scandals and things that come about that.

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That really shake the,

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the foundations and,

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you know,

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we,

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we also pay much attention to the,

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the strategies,

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the campaigns use,

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and we often have open after the fact some type of narrative of why somebody won and why someone else lost.

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That's a pretty typical rejoined or at the end of each of these now times it's more to put a narrative poetic bow on something that maybe is more built into the fundamentals. But regardless that is something that we look for.

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Depending on how covet nineteen, it plays out, whether or not is controlled, whether or not it returned candidates have to have contingencies for. How are they gonna connect to voters? If they lose some of these traditional campaigning models?

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We often call it retail politics.

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The fact,

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that a candidate can show up on a manufacturing floor,

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or show up at a coffee shop or a diner,

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and talk to voters can throw a rally and,

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you know,

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encourage people to come out and candidates at the moment are looking  
at some of these key focusing events,

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like the conventions and those other events,

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and I mentioned and wondering if they're going to have to have a  
virtual model for that.

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And so that's gonna have a huge effect. And there's also some, some  
secondary factors as well, but we maybe don't think about as much. So,  
for one thing, it's not just vice president Biden, and president Trump  
on the stump.

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It's their family members, their surrogates. It's famous people. That  
can draw a crowd and I know that for many of you. You're not going to  
tune in to go Button's, YouTube page. Right? But if I said, hey,  
Brooker.

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Bom is in town and I have tickets even if you're not a Democrat, you  
may still just want to go and see that because that's his story.  
That's really interesting.

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We may lose some of those opportunities and these campaigns,

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if they're worth their salt are already trying to reconfigure re,

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conceptualize how they are going to pursue voters if they lose that in particular like I said,

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it's kind of appealing.

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I've gone to campaign events just to see candidates, not even necessarily caring. Just thinking it's a neat environment. I'm much less likely.

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You're gonna have to give me more of a reason to go to their website, or, you know, to go watch them on YouTube or on a podcast. I want to have all these other options.

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And so that is something to, to keep in mind as we move forward and when it comes to mobilization in many ways, campaigns are more about mobilization and persuasion, getting your voters out. And that brings new challenges as well. I know.

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Is the fear of of internships at right state? I can't tell you how many right? State students in the election years.

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Spend their time knocking doors and showing up it, you know, state fairs and county fairs and numerous events to, to just try to make an impression for for their candidate and their party.

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So, those are some things to to keep in mind.

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Of course, we know this map here is showing just the number of events held by presidential candidates. This is in twenty sixteen these were events held by both Clinton and Trump after their conventions. So, this is kind of August to November.

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Of course. You see, because of the electoral college, they trampled the swing states. If you're in Ohio, you know, we're kind of a a lucky

benefactor of presidential elections. If you live in other states, you may not be as lucky to have these opportunities.

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And so campaigns are you potentially trying to trying to navigate what they will do? If they can't make these appearances.

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And in particular campaigns tend to spend their money and the resources in two ways one is they actually pay for advertising. They purchase ads in the dating media market. They.

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They they purchase ads in the major market. They purchase targeted ads on Facebook and Twitter and YouTube and other such mechanisms and they pay a flat rate for that. They pay the same rate as the other candidate.

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And so there's a bit of a, what we call an error work. That occurs the other way, though that they get attention is through what we call earned media. They show up at places, knowing that the local papers, and the local television stations are gonna cover it.

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And so they get these free impressions. They don't have to pay for space and the date and daily news. They don't have to pay for three minutes on.

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And so that is a value that, that we're not quite sure what we're going to see if they have to reconsider how they, how they mobilize.

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And then finally, when it comes to spending and contributions, we, of course, are staring down a recession. And with that many of us are losing much of our discretionary income.

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Some of us, who might have sent twenty five dollars to a candidate of our choice are now holding back or spending that money elsewhere or just saving it.

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And so the ability to track down individual donors would very much be compromised, you know, during this time.

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And at the moment, president Trump, as the incumbent, as the president, as having run on a post, pretty much has a huge war chest, I believe, over two hundred and fifty million dollars in fundraising.

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Meanwhile, Joe Biden just came out with a I came out of a very competitive primary where Democrats are giving money to Elizabeth Warren and Bernie Sanders and others.

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And so he is facing a significant spending deficit at the moment. I believe his cash on hand is around twenty million.

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We, we have a couple of questions on this page here, and especially with the graphics here with the map and that's a great map. I understand for some people, at least there might be the bottom portion of that map might be blocked out.

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And so, the most important data that people might not be able to see they're seventy one campaign visits for the state of Florida. You know, when you look here. Wow. Highest got forty eight. Right?

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And that is obviously going to change because of social distancing.

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I mean, the total number of campaign visits are likely to change, but there were some other issues going on before covid that probably would've made Ohio a little bit less front and center as we've been for so many campaigns for a moment.

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Yes, that's correct. Prior to the Cronin virus, if you look at opinion polls, and if you look at where, you know.

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Prognostic caters were kind of rating the relative competitiveness of certain states. There's there's a general theory. That Ohio is moving, quickly in a Republican direction to where.

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It just may not be as competitive in this cycle or in future cycles and do the same thing. That's happening. If you look at this map, Virginia, which got twenty three visits, I grew up in Virginia Virginia used to be a solid red state, if flipped to Obama.

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And now it's becoming a pretty solid blue state and so you will see some, some changes because of that.

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Now, the one advantage we have in Ohio is that we still border, Michigan and Pennsylvania, two of these critical States, two that so called blue wall that that certainly Trump needs to hold onto.

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And Biden needs to take back a that's generally kind of the path of least resistance. What you may see there is. I'm curious if it affects us in Dayton.

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Where, if you go to Southwest, Ohio, you're just getting the higher media market and pockets of Kentucky and Indiana.

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Where if you go to Toledo, if you go to Cleveland, not area, if you go to, like, astable County, you may also triple over into western Pennsylvania media, or, you know, southern Michigan media.

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So, I will be curious if they can, if they can come to the state, if we're gonna see them disproportionately in the Northwest in the Northeast.

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Thank you for that it was also submitted that asked about demographics and maybe how the current nineteen crisis might change. Some of the turnout in terms of who actually is gonna be.

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Yes,

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and much of that depends on that's really gonna play out at the state level the,

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the people to pay attention to,

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or your secretary of state who who oversee the elections and,

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you know,

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to the extent that this opens up new Windows either related to early voting or absentee voting that's not uniform across the country States.

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Like Washington have been almost exclusively vote by mail for a decade. Now other states have some type of hybrid system and Ohio. You can vote without an excuse.

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So, you can vote absentee and you can also vote early on certain days at your central location. But what we may see is is some new reforms. Either.

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You have more voting places, voting location. So, I voted early in twenty eighteen, and I live in Van Delia. I had to drive downtown and go to the board of elections on third street.

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What you may see is that they use some other government buildings to make that more accessible. Early voting is very popular in.

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And especially some,

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some segments in particular Democrats really like early voting for for mobilization,

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if you've ever heard of souls to the polls,

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it's kind of leveraging the black church to then go and vote,

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you know,

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after a church service.

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So, you see some of those mobilization drives also, though, elder voters and access to early voting and absentee voting in particular.

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And so, we definitely something we have to consider over the next several months.

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And that the secretary of state have to already be talking about is,

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how do you thread that needle of both we leave with confidence that we've got the right result it was a legitimate election,

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but we also balanced access and security and that will be a major challenge moving forward yes.

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Yeah. Yeah. Great. Excellent. So.

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The next point here just looks at some of the advantages that incumbents tend to have.

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So in particular president Trump is the incumbent,

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and he can claim credit for policy if this stimulus check,

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and if other unemployment benefits and other decisions that he makes in the next few months are viewed favorably.

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He's gonna get a huge bounce for that. And and, you know, at the same time, of course, he can, this could be his on doing right?

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If he were to be judged to have really failed here, then, of course, it's going to go the other direction. That's much more challenging for Joe Biden.

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And I'll take it back for, for the real political junkies here in twenty twelve the weekend before the election Hurricane Sandy hit the eastern seaboard.

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Well, president, President Obama is the incumbent, and he absolutely needs to act and be the president and be competent and, you know, use his role as commander in chief, to to unleash the right resources to solve that.

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That dilemma. Meanwhile, Mitt Romney a weekend before the election. When, you know, he's trying to drive home, the final voters has to really navigate this this arena where it could be.

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Viewed as kind of distasteful or opportunistic, if he's too vocal, if he's two and if he's putting people at risk with with his rallies, etc.

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And so we do have a similar issue for Joe Biden, where, of course, is the Democratic nominee. President Trump is not popular with Democrats, he will have quite a bit of leeway to criticize the president, but there will be some moments where he'll challenge. He'll be challenged to make the news.

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Moreover, president Trump can continue having these press conferences every night, and it's going to get coverage because he's the president, and he's making decisions abiding doesn't hold office right now right?

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And that's one reason why you've seen a little bit of this, like, draft Cuomo type of movement. And part of that is because of frustration that Biden has kind of disappeared you know, relatively speaking and much of the attention is on the president and on the governors.

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We can get to the draft of stuff later. I think it's a very unlikely scenario, but that's why you're hearing some of that.

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No, the other thing we tend to see is that we rally to our leaders and times of crises. So we tend to see a boost in a popularity in times of crisis. But that's word.

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Trump is really a deviant case where he has just been remarkably stable and his ratings and hopefully you guys can see this graphic and trying to move Windows around.

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Hopefully, that's visible to the good people out there so I'm gonna take you back to, like, ninth grade math and measure so central tendency what you're essentially looking at are box and Lister plots. Right?

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So, the, the, the meat of the box that dark red is essentially depicting the range of the fifty percent of President trump's ratings fall within that box.

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The take away here is that Trump and Obama rarely deviated from kind of a a common value.

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Whereas presidents in the past, we're much likely to see spikes and support and, you know, good times or rallies and drops and support with unpopular policies.

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What we've seen is just a, and this is for a number of factors. Like I said, I teach a class on political polarization and and we have seen this rise of what some call negative partisanship, get this next slide.

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There we go. This graph is a little data. Now, as I was trying to find some updated values for president Trump. But I will tell you that not much has changed.

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And so what we see here is hopefully people can see that. Okay. Look good on your own screens. Okay great.

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Is there showing you the ratings just a partisan so they've removed independence would generally be kind of right in the middle and that gray mass is essentially the gap and Republican and Democratic support. Not too surprising.

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A president is always more popular with their own participants and with others, that would be pretty phenomenal if we ever. So how flip like that? So, presidents tend to be more popular with their own.

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So, when we start with President Eisenhower, we see Republicans like him much more than Democrats are these worth noting enough kind of lost the access here.

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But, you know, fifty percent of Democrats approved him on average that's higher than President trump's net rating right?

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You also see, though, the previous presidents had very bouncy ratings, both their supporters, and their opponents would give them do credit when they deserved it and blame them when they deserved it.

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And when you get to a Obama and Trump in particular, you see, kind of the, the, the, the crystallization of what has been thirty years of kind of growing political polarization. Like I said, I teach a whole class in it.

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So, I won't get into all the details, but when you see is that Obama, by and large is rather stable with support from Democrats and support from Republicans, you had a tiny honeymoon.

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That's what we will call that before, you know, people kind of settled into their partisan sides.

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And Trump has continued that pattern. There's been very little that has made Republicans, turn on him or be shaken and their support and there's been very little that is drawn Democrats to him, or change their evaluations with him.

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And you may say, well, is this happening globally? Is this an American phenomenon? Well.

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Not necessarily here we go,

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so this graphic shows,

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the approval ratings of other world leaders at the time,

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and then we'll go into all of the individuals,

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but if you look here at,

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like,

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Australian France,

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they've seen these these bumps in support right now they were pretty  
low.

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They were not very, they're not very popular at the moment, but  
they've had these bumps in support as individuals facing this global  
pandemic, have kind of hoped for the best for their leader. Right?

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Boris Johnson's was really sky high and part of that is, of course, he  
actually got corona virus and so that probably magnified the support  
for him. If you look at President Trump, the blue line here in the  
middle.

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Now, I pulled this about a week and a half ago, and that's just  
steady. Eddie, right? Like, you just there's a little bit of a blip,  
but but there's not nearly the same amount of support. And so, is it  
just Americans?

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Are we just in impossible to please or something? Oh, not necessarily.  
We have rally to our governors at a very large level.

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So if you look at the really just the column on the right is kind of showing you everything you need to take governor new. Some Democrat in California has gotten a forty one point bump.

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Over over eighty percent approval, our governor, Mike, the wind has gotten the thirty percent bump. And so you see, both Republicans and Democrats on the board here who are getting major balances based on two things.

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One is, there's some judgment that their, their response is good and competent and people like what they're doing.

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Secondly, there is a, a willingness to kind of circle around your leader because again, it's a crisis and you want them to do.

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Well, you start to root for them, maybe when you did when it was just kind of your typical political, red and blue types of issues.

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I think Ohioans really find the snap, especially about the governor's really interesting play because, and there was the political report and many other studies that show that governance of Ohio is handling.

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The situation is perceived to be handling the situation better than any other governor. You're going to comment a little bit on that does not surprise you do you expect that to stay steady?

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We were the first to really move towards this stay at home order first to close the schools writ large and now, as we move forward, it'll be very interesting to see how that impacts. Yes, absolutely.

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And I think what you're also seeing, is that at least among, like, the elites, you know, David pepper chair of the Democratic Party shared brown, our Democratic Senator they're also tearing onto one, right?

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Like, they, they have evaluated him is doing, you know, doing a nice job. And so, that has also helped with his his net approval.

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And I think also the wind has just had a very comforting tone, and the way that he's led. And also, I think he's really elevated our, our public health specialist and Dr acting.

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Now, if you're watching this week, we're seeing an increase in protest that's both happened in in Michigan as well as in, in Columbus.

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I mean, there is a chance that we will get some cracking in that that loyalty and kind of joking. Like, I can't imagine a scenario where an office holder is more popular with the other party. But there are times around.

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Like, it seems like Democrats are happier with the white men Republicans at the moment. Right? And so, and also, depending on President trump's rhetoric about this, he can also shift opinion. So he's, it's a very interesting case.

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And we will see where he goes from here,

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and a lot of it is also outcome dependent,

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if we can clearly see that,

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you know,

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let's say that the Santas is rightly being evaluated negatively the governor of Florida,

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we're gonna sadly see that.

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And really awful statistics, right? Like cases and death toll and everything else. And so there may be a moment of clarity where people understand to what extent the wind moves really did save lives. Right?

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I guess the, the.

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The alternate point is that economic crisis is more insurmountable here than elsewhere, but I think that that's that's still a little too far out to really understand, but yeah, the wind's been really fascinating to watch.

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During this whole thing. I think we're actually interrupting wind with the wind to I thought they started at two thirty. So we really appreciate people.

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At least somebody said actually connects really nicely with one of the questions.

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That was just submitted when you're talking about how it's quite possible that to why it is actually having a bigger boost among Democrats, even than Republicans are conservatives.

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And we're being asked, how has the percentage of individuals who identify as Democrats compared to Republicans? How has that changed over the past several decades that might really put this comment into context? Yes.

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So there's a very long answer historically.

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You, the Democrats really have had an advantage and registration going back to the New deal, but obviously it's a different type of register now than it was in nineteen thirty two nineteen forty.

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Well, you've seen our major switches. The parties have really separated on values issues on social issues.

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And that, that really starts to create a crystalize.

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I'm in the seventy's in the eighties with some social movements, conservative, religious, social movements, as well as progressive social movements like the feminist movement in the anti war movement and others. So we've seen, kind of this is crystallization.

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Still, we tend to see party registration around a third, a third, a third, third, independent, a third Republican or a third Democratic.

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The the real interesting thing that we've seen is that artisans don't like their party anymore now than they did thirty years ago, but they hate the other party. And so that's what we call negative partisanship.

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And so it used to be the, if you asked the average person, average Republican, how do you feel about Republicans? How warmly do you feel on a scale of one to ten and it's like, I feel dominate right?

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And then, how do you feel about the Democrats there five there are four? Well, now you asked that question to the average partisan and it's, I feel an eight and the Democrats are one.

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And so we've seen that increasing kind of coolness and it makes sense that elections in turn have notice that negative tends to work better.

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It tends to be more effective during the other parties policies, rather than inspiring them with your own is often a more.

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Effective strategy, effective way to mobilize and and so that's why some have have tuned out and been very frustrated with it. But but sadly, the data would tell you to do that.

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I mean, if I were a strategist, that's what I would be telling both campaigns. That's that's kind of where you would go and then you just hope you can you can win and then maybe pivot when you govern.

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Yeah, that's a great question. Great question. Thank you.

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And maybe, as you transition to the next sign up, I think one of the questions a couple of people are asking, when they can ask questions, if there's gonna be time at the end of the presentation, and very likely have time at the end of the presentations.

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Yeah, questions, but please feel free to type in your questions. I'm in the chat room. We're trying to stay on top and kinda group them and ask them as we go, but we'll also have some of that time as well. So so thank you for that.

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Keep those questions coming, why keeps us all going by the way I see that jasmine I love it. It's good to see some of my favorite students in the in the chat window. That's always fun.

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So this next slide is kind of the, the counterpoint.

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So, as much as we focus and cover campaigns and elections, and all of these events, and as much as we talk about personality and and all these other factors, and events that drive choice.

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A lot of stuff is still really baked in a lot of what voters will do is baked in.

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So this first image here is of what we will call economics voting and just to quickly explain what's going on here in the graph. The Y, axis is the percent vote for the incumbent party.

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So,

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for example,

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what that means is,

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in nineteen eighty,

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that's the percent vote for Jimmy Carter,

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the incumbent who was running for re,

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election in two thousand and eight that's votes share for John McCain who was running as a Republican to follow up George W Bush.

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So that's the incumbent party vote, shared.

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And then, on the execs is what we have is GDP growth and so I put a big black line here to show you one more negative versus positive growth. You know, the good news is we tend to be in periods of positive growth and election years at least.

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Well, you see is a pretty strong linear relationship that is, as an incumbent gets is is shepherding a stronger economy. They tend to get a larger percentage of the boat share.

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So that is, you know, in the take, the big B\*\*\* out elections are up here at the top.

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Nineteen, eighty four were run a Reagan one, forty, nine states, sixty four where LBJ defeated Goldwater in a pretty overwhelming victory and seventy two also a huge win.

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I think that's the largest percentage popular victory for Richard Nixon over McGovern and so this relationship is actually pretty strong and pretty predictive. Every election season.

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You'll see some political scientists will kind of take this data, you know, plug in economic data and try to make a projection about the presidential election. And it's a pretty reliable model. It's a strong as presidential approval reading.

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This is an idea of how good of a model it is now we are looking at negative growth and at a significantly larger flip than we've ever seen.

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And so we might be, we might see this go over to negative and they get a fifteen. I mean, it's really, really, really distressing and sad.

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No, I don't think anybody thinks Donald Trump is going to get twenty five percent of the electoral vote, right? Or twenty five percent of the vote. Like, he's not gonna fall that far off of this, this axis and this, because context matters.

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This is not the people are going to evaluate president trump's response.

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But they're not going to this isn't like, he started a war and crashed our economy. Right this is something that was sprung up on us rather quickly and that does affect how he will be evaluated. So, this will be contextualized.

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It certainly does hurt the president with maybe certain individuals who don't love all of the policy, but have really like their stock portfolio right? Over the last three or four years. That has changed. We haven't really seen that been.

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It hasn't really been fleshed out in the in the approval ratings at the moment.

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But if things continue to to grind to a halt and if at the end of the day more Americans are not are dissatisfied with President trump's response. Then we could see an event.

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Where it would kind of fit the economic trend.

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At the same time,

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though,

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we have an increasingly less competitive,

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a electro environment,

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and this is for a number of reasons there's been a lot of work on geographic sorting the fact that liberals are more likely to move to blue states or live there.

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And conservatives are more likely to move to red states, or live there. And what this graph is showing is the states that are in deeper. This is from two thousand to two thousand and twelve.

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So, for elections, the States, in the deep red have voted Republican in each election, the States, and the deep blue have voted Democratic and so once you kind of roll out those states and say, well, they're pretty solid.

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And, of course, we know that sixteen really did rewrite some history with the blue wall, which I'll get into probably in the Q and a. but but what we've seen is is that there's just less.

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Less places on the map to really get traction because of the electoral college there's no need and, you know, a Democrat trying to get pick up votes in the deep South.

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If they know, they can't win the state, there's no need and president Trump trying to pick up votes in California if he knows he can't win the state. And so this is really center to campaigning on just a dozen or so elections for comparison in the nineteen sixty election.

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John Kennedy went to forty three states. Nixon visited fifty states. And that was even really true in the seventies.

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He still had candidates going to in thirty States or so and the nineteen seventy two election, even though it was a B\*\*\* out, there were still.

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I hope I'm right about this twenty States within a five point margin. So forty forty eight to fifty two. Something like that. When we got to twenty twelve, we only had four states that fit that bill.

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And so, you do see, just kind of a smaller map that that feels like it's in play now. And sixteen president Trump really did reconfigure this map and some very interesting ways.

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And, you know, we'll see whether or not, he can hold the Midwest. And I'll probably expand on that more in the Q and a, or if there's a

question that's come up, I can, I can address that in sixteen was also very close, hardly because third party voting.

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You actually did have eleven states that were kinda within the five point margin so we may see a closer election this time around with more states and play, but a lot is baked in. I can't really tell you a scenario. Joe Biden doesn't win Oregon, right?

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I can't tell you a scenario. We're Donald Trump doesn't Oklahoma and that's unique. That's unique to this time.

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Like I said, Ronald Reagan in the eighty's one, forty nine states, just a home state of of Mondale, Minnesota went for him and we just don't really live in a time where that even seems.

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Remotely possible and then finally, the pandemic can really reshape the way we talk about issues.

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And and I do think that often election analysis is more about kind of the horse race and who's going to win and who's gonna lose and maybe less about the key issues. And how the candidates position themselves I would have shown here is what's called the Overton window.

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And is this the social theory that essentially ideas move about this,

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this range and to what is when they become popular,

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they ultimately will become policy and they kind of move from unthinkable all the way to,

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to policy.

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I mean, you can think of a story issues like that we, of course, don't think at all about debating, but at one point lives in an unthinkable realm. Right? Women's voting prohibition.

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Right that was that became sensible policy and then unthinkable again. So certain policies move about these Windows, and you can think about how this will certainly shape.

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The way we talk about issues like any quality people, my, especially those of central workers who were saying, and I'm I'm essential I can't draw unemployment and I'm making seven twenty five an hour. Right?

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And so you might have a new discussion around any quality and we definitely know that this, this recession this pandemic is felt very differently between the haves and the have nots. Right?

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And so that that could really expose that,

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which was front and center of every Democratic debate is going to again,

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come up as we discuss both our broad kind of ability to handle these types of crises.

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So preparation, but also, just the fact that we'll certainly see that the uninsured in the under insured are going to pay more cost during this time as well. So that could really open up the window.

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You can also open up the window and other ways this pandemic has exposed our limitations and manufacturing because of outsourcing because of.

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Globalization and broader trade,

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and you might see an appetite to bring more manufacturing back,

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you might see some more nationalistic trade policies,

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which Trump and Sanders played into that in the twenty twelve or twenty sixteen primaries and you may see that open up again.

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And I know Laura, we talked about, you know, Trump is certainly his rhetoric towards China has been ramping up a bit as well. And I didn't know if you had any thoughts on whether or not China becomes a real issue in this election.

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I want to be very careful how I answer that so I don't too much time, but China has always been an issue in our presidential elections and, as, you know, I always tell people, you can't view presidential elections.

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You can't view us policy toward China in our partisan lens at all because you see one stance as a candidate one stance as a leader that being said as China becomes increasingly powerful economically.

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And politically, because of the origin of this crisis, coming from Han, I think we're definitely going to see very, very strong rhetoric about China. And I think it's going to be probably across the board.

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I think you might see both parties really trying to show that they're tougher on China than the other. There were some references. I saw

some media this morning to five minutes, Beijing, by, for example.  
Well, yes try to show that.

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He has a special relationship. That's problematic. With China, so I think this is gonna be very interesting. You and I both know policy rarely comes in we're voting behavior that's rarely rank as one of the most important matters.

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I don't know. Maybe this one will be different.

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Yes, yeah, absolutely. I think that's great.

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And I was just peeking at the chats as you said, that and Gideon my excellent graduate student did mention to that that the, any quality question also opens up this conversation around the universal basic income, which we saw Andrew Yang really?

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Champion in this last primary and so we will kind of see whether or not this upset some,

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some norms out there and of course,

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the plans around tuition that can also be affected by this.

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And then, finally, we have to talk about new ways to vote and voting reforms and, and, and again, that's something that we have to be prepared for, out the gates. Right? A few things just to kind of the ways your fears.

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We will have an election on November, third article one section one causes one and for put that power in the hands of Congress given that Congress is split with party leadership.

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They both will I think both chambers we'll see to it that we do have an election. There's also us statutory code on the books that puts this, this power indiscretion in at the federal level.

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The states have to be looking ahead to contingency plans. And, and, like I said, there will be a balance between public safety. So do you need to have more more polls open? So you can socially distance?

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Do you need to have more polls open for early voting? Again, just to kind of spread out when people are crossing paths and also that balance between voter access, but also security and this is a, it's a huge undertaking.

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And I think that's one thing that that we can sometimes not realize is that, you know, Washington has been developing vote by mail since the nineties, how we can make it happen but it would take a lot of resources.

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And it would take a real concerted, singularly focused effort and, of course, we've already seen this debate about where that's going to go.

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And Ohio is is ahead of many states where we have, you know, excuse absentee voting.

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We have early voting and vote by mail is essentially just everybody would vote by mail rather than absentee is people who are out of the state, or have a reason get a mail in ballot.

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But, yeah, there's, there's so many things to consider polling locations. I would encourage you if you have the opportunity, if you have the ability to the volunteers to work at a poll, because that's just a huge service to the country in the state. Right now.

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That's like a little way that you can just contribute to the collective. Good. If you're just trying to think of ways to be a good citizen and a good neighbor. Right now the other thing just worth.

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Nothing is we might have to wait longer to get results. If we go this direction, we tend to we want that satisfactory election night, the electoral college to light up and tell us who's going to win.

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And who are next whether it's re, electing president Trump or president elect to a Biden.

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But if many states are going to this, this method, it will slow down the counting and sadly, you're probably going to see maybe more litigation around elections than ever before as well.

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I've already heard of campaigns lawyering up. Right? And so those are some, some factors that we need to anticipate, and kind of be ready for as we move towards the election.

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And again, if we just get past cobra nineteen, in a way that we feel like, we can just live our completely normal lives in the fall. The many of these are a moot point.

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But but any good campaign has to be considering all of the contingencies. And have a plan moving forward, just like.

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The university has to just like, you know, Governor Duane does like, this is just what, what you have to do if you're in leadership. And so

hopefully our state boards of elections are are are working around the clock to get this resolved.

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There's a couple there's so many great questions in the chat room and I know we're gonna get through as many as possible. But one question comes from one of our faculty members in school of medicine and it's a very insightful question.

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This entire crisis in the shelter in place has definitely illustrated the power of collective action and instead of using to watch the meetings, have come out of that. Do you have any?

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That's how we can keep people engaged in the civic and public health awareness and participation. Because they've really been shown and released by this crisis. Yeah.

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I think what's so interesting is that this is one of the first collective events,

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where you,

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you cannot not experience it like,

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these wars that have lasted for twenty years.

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It's still a subset of the population goes abroad is still a subset of the population that serves we haven't had a national draft since the seventies and of course,



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with Vietnam,

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we saw that that opened up more civic action as more people collectively had skin in the game right.

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Like, they literally were debating over issues about their own lives.

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And I think that's what current a virus does as well, you can't you might be able to kind of lay low for some period of time, but just given the interconnectedness of everything is gonna affect you or your loved ones in different ways.

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And so that is, I think, for me, if someone who teaches like American politics and government, it just opens up all these new examples.

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And I think for for our kind of collective generations, for many of us, it's like this is the first time you've kind of realized the significance of of we're all in this together.

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Right that's not to downplay other major events that have drawn us close together.

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But this really is significant in terms of it's, it's, it's it crosses all class lines, all race lines, all state lines in a way that, that other challenges that we faced are often contained.

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So that leads me into what are the questions that were submitted by one of our graduate students so the school of public and international affairs, how do you think this might impact voting behavior by age cohort?

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And we see some distinctions, because at least up until this point, and it may not necessarily prove to be accurate, but we talked about who's at risk right? We were talking about sixty plus then we moved up to fifty.

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Plus, and so we had some difference differential behavior based on age at the beginning. Do you think we're going to see that in the ballot box as well?

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Yeah, that's an excellent question. I feel like it's.

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I think what's interesting is there's kind of this partisan wrangling over how much should we kind of open up the selection to vote by mail and absentee validate and all of these other other methods and I think to the extent that

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party's can't predict whether it helps them,

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or hurts them they will both just error towards giving more people.

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The opportunity to vote. There could be a really good outcome if it is kind of uncertain and I do think you're right. I think that, you know, historically older voters are the most reliable, the most likely to go to the polls.

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And and so if it is a disproportionate risk, felt for that generation, that's also a generation that skews to the right.

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And so that, that could be persuasive for Republicans while for Democrats it's, it's kind of another part of their constituency. That's particularly at risk.

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And that would be in particular people are more densely populated areas where they're just at a greater risk.

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I mean, the reason why the outbreaks so far and the hotspots have been in New York in Detroit and in New Orleans is because of population density and so both parties.

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I mean, sadly, like, you would want to just say we do it for the greater good and there's no, no politicking but I think to the extent that both parties, like, they can lose their voters, they'll keep opening up more opportunities to vote.

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That's my hope great. There's a number of questions about mail and voting voting by mail absentee ballot. Whatever system might become the prominent system in November. Could you talk a little bit about that?

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And one of the questions of the submitted frame this particularly in the context of some of the challenges U. S postal services facing right now. So yes.

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And the only other connection to try to bring in as many questions as possible people were talking about the integrity of the mail and voting as well, of course, this happens in some states not necessarily on large. Could you sound a little bit?

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Sure. And funny enough. I got my absentee ballot today, which you cannot. See, but I promise. That's irrelevant. That there's no way. You can see that. It is interesting. It's I mean, it's an official government document.

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I have to sign under the penalty of election. Falsification.

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So, I could be charged if I were to take my wife's and fill hers out for her, something like that you do have to put your Ohio driver's license number as well as the last four digits of your social security.

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So, it's not just like, they're, they're running into a coffee machine and this isn't a straw poll. It is pretty official and it does feel like there's some pretty decent precautions in place.

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The challenges though are on a couple of levels, one is coercion people who had the benefit of kind of the private ballot. Maybe they have a domineering family member. That's influencing their vote.

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They can still go and privately vote for the other person. Right? So, you do have some concerns about coercion, but I've never really seen that studied as far as, like, broader millions of people, voter fraud, stuff like that. There's a scant evidence.

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There's a, a conservative think tank the Heritage Foundation. They've been tracking voter fraud since the nineties. They have about twelve hundred cases, and you can't find many elections that have been affected by twelve hundred votes. It's still pretty irregular.

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The way we do mail in, though, can vary and I don't want to get too much into this actually, have a link, that kind of links to some of the pros and cons which might direct you to. So we can get to more. But one thing is, whether or not you allow ballot harvesting.

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So, for example, if I, you know, if in my American government class, I just said, hey, bring your ballots and I'll take them down for you that's permitted in some states.

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But that is where you open yourself up to maybe more possibilities of people actually changing ballots and yeah, I will say to the other nice thing about Ohio. It does say that Steve just paid if I'm in the US.

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So that's that's nice. That, that is covered. I had to be honest, I, I don't feel confident speaking as much about the Postal Service issue at the moment, even though my father was a mailman, I just have not really done the research there.

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So I might touch on that. And certainly, if you want to follow up with me, I can send you some links that of things that I'll be reading.

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Hey, okay we do appreciate as you see, Dr Hannah has placed this contact information there for you can download the slides. A couple of people were asking to if they would be able to access the video recording of this after the fact.

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Yes, we will have that on the streaming site and video on demand on the right state web page. They all all of these lectures are also being archived at the core scholar site with right? State libraries.

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Lee we've got about four minutes about the V. P pick because this is a huge to be. Sure. Could you talk a little bit about maybe the impact of the vice presidential pick?

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Maybe the timing too, because that is to the, to the crisis because of the conventions being the timing is different. Yes. And I will plug a very good friend of mine. Chris Devine is a professor at University of Dayton, and is publishing a book in a month.

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It'll be out about the vice presidency and I've gotten some great insights from him about this. Obviously, this is very critical. We're in the middle of a pandemic with the two oldest candidates to ever be at the top of the ticket.

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So it's not, you know, it's, it's kind of fair, you know, to talk about their health.

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And and what would would occur what the research says about vice presidential pick is that vice presidents don't unilaterally really swing an election.

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And I think the old theory that they even would kind of get you a state even that's a bit.

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The, the, the evidence there is scant, what it does do though, is it gives you another signal about your presidential candidates judgment and so they get judge kind of as a proxy for why they made that pick why they make that selection.

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They tend to try to cover up a weakness either. I think with with Biden, his weakness is probably the progressive Wayne.

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So I think he will likely look there and say, you know, I ran on electability and my ability to win back voters in the Midwest.

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But I need to make sure, you know, the, the folks who are disappointed in particular, the Sanders and Warren voters would come back around. I would say, it's been good news for the Biden team.

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That they've already gotten the endorsements and kind of locked this up. But but there's still a long time to go.

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So, I, I mean, I think the big names that I keep seeing hitched will become a hairless senator of California, Amy, which will be deviate from what I just said.

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But the senator of Minnesota, or perhaps a wild card, like a Gretchen Widmer, he probably won't make this pick for about two or three more months. And that might.

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Tell you more about Gretchen Widmer if she if Michigan does really well, and she's viewed very highly that could be huge. If not on the other hand arch mentioned Stacy Abrams.

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Yes, I definitely think she will be on that short list as someone who almost one the state of Georgia and one that would please many progressive there as opposed to liability as her lack of governing experience compared to some of these others.

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But There'll be trade offs.

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There's not a perfect candidate,

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the one thing worth noting kind of historically,

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because of nominates vice president,

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or I'm sorry so some senators don't make the shortlist because of the governor of their state.

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So that, I think that's happened to share brown.

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If shared Brown was on clinton's ticket,

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and let's say Clinton one,

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then governor,

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John Casey is going to appoint a Republican given how find the margins are in the Senate you tend to have presidential candidates looking at

safer States or states where they have an in party governor to make sure they don't accidentally sell out to

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send it at the same time.

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That's just something to watch for as you look at specific States. Awesome. Well, Dr Hanna we're gonna have to have a follow up as we get closer to I think. Yeah, I would love that. You've given us so much to think about. I want to thank everybody for attending today.

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It's really been nice to connect with you in this unique way. You asked fantastic questions. This is great.

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It really where we have to, we were able to get to most of them. Thank you for. Putting up this slide. I want to encourage all of you to join us again.

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Next week we do alternate these lectures on Thursdays and Fridays, trying to recognize people's teaching and work schedules, but we're very happy to have Dr Jeremy. Shoot, right?

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State of alumni by the way our university honors program as well. Dr. a professor in the school of professional psychology, and he will be talking about the psychology of trauma and covert nineteen.

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That's going to be next Thursday at four o'clock. We have to see many of you then. And you have Dr, his email address will be archiving this. And we will definitely be continuing this discussion.

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I'd be remiss if I didn't think Craig for once again, helping us with the technological side of this. And, of course, his whole team to cats. So thank you very much for that virtual round of applause for Dr Hannah.

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You did a fantastic job, presenting this material. So thank you very much. Thank you. Guys so much. Yeah, and like, I got to self promote, but I'll have a whole class on this in the fall. I would love to have you join me? I want to be in that class.

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Everybody have a great weekend and hopefully we'll see you next week. So thank you so much.