

Join us on Friday, July 28, 2017 at the Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting for a special one-day mini conference: **The 2016 Elections: Past, Current and Future Rural Voting Patterns and Influences on Rural Politics.**

Interactive sessions with scholars and professionals will discuss historical and current research examining the ways policy, politics, culture, gender, race, and identity intersect with rural voting patterns, as well as how rural sociologists can engage with law, journalism, politics, and advocacy work with other professionals.

Key Note Speaker: Katherine Cramer, University of Wisconsin-Madison “*The Politics of Resentment: Rural Consciousness and the 2016 Election*”

Panel 1: How We Got Here

- Paige Kelley, The Ohio State University
- Lisa Pruitt, UC Davis
- Jennifer Sherman, Washington State University
- Shaun Golding, Kenyon College

Panel 2: Where We Are Now

- Linda Lobao, The Ohio State University
- Michelle Statz, University of Minnesota
- Spencer Wood, Kansas State
- Shoshannah Inwood, Jason Parker, University of Vermont and Alana Knudson, Walsh Center for Rural Health Policy
- Robert Francis, Johns Hopkins

Panel 3: Where to Go from Here: How to Work Together in the Future

- Sarah Lloyd, Wisconsin Farmers Union
- Doug O'Brien, National Cooperative Business Association
- Cruz Reynoso, UC Davis School of Law and California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation
- Whitney Kimball Coe, Center for Rural Strategies and National Rural Assembly
- Carolyn Robinson – Solutions Journalism Network

Continue the Conversation: There will be a happy hour for further discussion and engagement after the last panel at Barley's Brewing (467 N High St).