

PALS Topics and Speakers, Fall 2024

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Biden's Foreign Policy in the Midst of Crisis and Elections

[Dr. Jerry Pubantz](#), *Professor Emeritus of Political Science, University of North Carolina*

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The End of China's Rise and the Future of Global Order

[Dr. Michael Beckley](#), *Professor of Political Science, Tufts University*

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The State of Artificial Intelligence: Where Do We Go from Here?

[Jim Williams](#), *Customer Engineer at Google Cloud*

September 30

The Future of the U.S. Constitution

[Dr. Bruce Peabody](#), *Professor of Government and Politics, Fairleigh Dickinson University*

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Psychedelic Outlaws: The Movement Revolutionizing Modern Medicine

[Dr. Joanna Kempner](#), *Professor of Sociology, Rutgers University*

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Searching for Goldilocks in the Middle East: How the U.S. Can Get It Right

[Dr. Steven Cook](#), *Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations*

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Search for Truth in an Era of False News

[Alan Miller](#), *Founder of the News Literacy Project and former Journalist*

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Behind the Problems of Bullying and Anxiety in School-aged Youth

[Dr. Maurice Elias](#), *Professor of Psychology, Rutgers University*

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Tipping from Climate Risk to Climate Solutions

[Dr. Radley Horton](#), *Professor, Climate School, Columbia University*

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Critical Issues Confronting NJ's 2025 Gubernatorial Candidates

[Dr. Benjamin Dworkin](#), *Director, Rowan Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship*