Biomedical Ethics Seminar: Research Integrity Series

Emerging Ethical Challenges for Experimental Social Science

With guest speaker Scott Desposato, PhD, Associate Professor of Political Science, UC San Diego

Tuesday, November 17th from 4:30-6 PM Biomedical Research Facility, Room 4103



For most of the history of political science, professional ethics had little to do with human subjects. Over the last 20 years, however, political scientists have widely adopted experimental methods and are now manipulating and interacting directly with subjects in almost every country in the world. While generating valuable new evidence about the political world, this new wave of experimentation has also generated some very public controversies. Scholars have committed crimes to measure police responses, have sent out hundreds of thousands of illegal attack advertisements during campaigns, and have exposed subjects to risk of violence through experiments conducted in authoritarian regimes. Professor Desposato will discuss the rise of experiments in political science, the limitations of existing human subjects' paradigms in providing guidance, and a series of proposals to avoid future controversies.

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