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UCSB Affiliates Event Highlights Election Issues of the 2012 Presidential Race

The upcoming presidential election and the issues likely to take center stage when the candidates face off are the topics of an upcoming special presentation of UCSB Affiliates.

Talks by two UCSB scholars will be featured in the event set for 5-6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 7.

Eric Smith, a professor in the Department of Political Science, will discuss the public's response to the race for president, and to the religious affiliations -- both real and perceived -- of both candidates, in a presentation titled "Presidents and Prejudice: Race, Religion, and American Voters."

Political science department chair John Woolley will address the likely impact of current economic conditions on the election, as well as how economic policy is shaping up as an issue, in his lecture, "Still the Economy, Stupid?"

The event will be held at the University Club, 1332 Santa Barbara Street. Admission is \$10. Advance registration is recommended by calling the UCSB Office of Public Events at (805) 893-2877.

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