

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2009

The Wisdom of Voters

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Dean Lacy is professor of government at Dartmouth College. His research spans elections, lawmaking, political participation, the presidency, economic sanctions, and the interaction of politics and economics. He has published articles in the *American Journal of Political Science*, *British Journal of Political Science*, and *Journal of Politics*. His work has won several awards from the American Political Science Association and National Science Foundation. He was an election observer during the 2000 presidential election in Taiwan, and he currently directs Dartmouth's Program in Politics and Law. Lacy earned his BA from the University of Virginia and a PhD from Duke University.

The 2008 election was marked by greater public involvement in the political process than any election in U.S. history. Did that increased involvement lead to better decisions?

Join us and share in the experience of incoming students. The First-Year Summer Reading program at Dartmouth engages each new class in a collective academic event. A member of the Dartmouth faculty is selected to deliver the first class lecture during Orientation and the class is asked to read a text in preparation for that lecture. In 2008, Professor Lacy was chosen to deliver the Class of 2012 Orientation lecture.

To participate fully in this seminar, participants are asked to read James Surowiecki's *The Wisdom of Crowds* prior to attending. Professor Lacy will speak about the wisdom of voters and the future of American elections.

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Seminar Location

Seminar takes place in Room 332 (President's Room) at Coffman Memorial Union (CMU) on the Minneapolis campus of the University of Minnesota, 300 Washington Ave. SE. The telephone number at CMU is (612) 624-4636.

Directions: www.coffman.umn.edu/about/directions.php

Registration/Fees

\$40 per person; \$25 for members of Classes 1999-2009 and for guests of alumni. Fee includes seminar refreshments. The deadline for receipt of your reservation and payment is February 21.

Complete the attached registration card and send with a check payable to the Dartmouth Club of the Midwest to:

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SEMINAR SCHEDULE

8-8:45 AM	Check In
8:45-9 AM	Welcome and Introductions
9-10 AM	First Presentation
10-10:15 AM	First Break
10:15-11:15 AM	Second Presentation
11:15-11:30 AM	Second Break
11:30 AM-1 PM	Discussion and Summation

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