

We pay tribute to you for being able to overcome the unforgiving challenges that 2020 threw at us. The year was a trying one for all, especially our students who moved to remote learning on a dime in March. We wish the best of luck to the class of 2020 including graduates headed to law school at Villanova and Boston College, graduate school at Georgetown and Brandeis, and medical school at Temple. In fall and spring the Department offered a mix of in person, hybrid, and fully remote courses and we expect to return to fully in person classes in fall 2021.

The Department is thrilled to welcome Dr. Joy Anna Hopper to the University of Scranton. Dr. Hopper will teach courses in U.S. and state and local politics, and help spearhead the Department's proposed new major and minor in Public Policy and Service. You can read more about Dr. Hopper below.

This issue of the Political Science newsletter highlights several programs that we sponsored in the fall to help students process the 2020 election, student internship experiences in Harrisburg and Washington, DC, and recent accomplishments of some of our alumni.

Mike Allison, Professor and Chair

Alumni Notes



Paul M Collins Jr. and colleagues shared their findings about how the Senate Judiciary Committee's approach to Supreme Court nominees differs based upon the gender of the nominees.

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