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Forum puts spotlight on campaign ethics

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Forum speakers include State Rep. John Pappageorge; WDIV-TV broadcaster Emery King; political consultants Al Mann and Ken Brock; former Michigan State Republican Party Chairperson and Oakland University board member David Doyle; and Lansing press corps reporters Dawson Bell and Mark Hornbeck. Speakers will share their election experiences while offering a particular focus on ethics. Audience members also will get a chance to take part in a question and answer session with the panel.

"We see this event as a way to give students insight into the election that they may not have gotten otherwise," said Assistant Professor of Political Science Dave Dulio, who organized the forum. "Having candidates, media and consultants here gives students a perspective they can't get from newspapers or TV news. It shows how a pollster will have a different perspective than someone in the media and how that person will have a different perspective than a candidate."

Getting political players to share these perspectives is at the heart of the event, underscoring the importance of the democratic process and all that goes into it.

"These discussions will provide us with a fuller understanding of how campaigns are run," Dulio said. "It will give us a deeper understanding of how decisions are made and what kind of decisions these campaigns grapple with everyday."

The forum is part of a larger project called "Improving Campaign Conduct," created by Washington D.C.'s American University and funded by a grant from The Pew Charitable Trusts. The project's aim is to hold periodic public discussions throughout the country, bringing together candidates, campaign workers, party operatives, journalists and academics for open, lively discussion on the challenges involved in running a campaign. Hosted and partially sponsored by the **Department of Political Science** and the **College of Arts and Sciences**, this is the first of these forums to be held at Oakland University.

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