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2022 Election Symposium at UW–Madison *The Elections Research Center to host a symposium about the 2022 election*

The Elections Research Center at the University of Wisconsin–Madison will host its 2022 midterm election symposium where experts will discuss election dynamics from around the country and in Wisconsin on Friday, Dec. 2.

The day-long event will take place on campus at the [Wisconsin Discovery Building](#) in the H.F. DeLuca Forum from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The symposium will also be livestreamed online for anyone who cannot attend in person. The event is free and open to the public, but attendees are asked to [pre-register](#) for either the in-person or virtual event.

"When the dust has settled on this year's elections, the symposium provides access to leading analysts to unpack the results in a systematic way," said [Barry Burden](#), director of the Elections Research Center.

The symposium includes four expert panels unpacking Congressional races, election administration, political advertising and polling. The experts include election analysts, journalists and scholars.

"The event brings together a variety of perspectives to make sense of what happened," Burden said. "The presentations are an excellent way for the community to put the 2022 election in a broader context."

[Kyle Kondik](#), managing editor of *Sabato's Crystal Ball*, will break down key Congressional races from around the country. Kondik serves as the director of the University of Virginia Center for Politics and is frequently cited as an expert on American politics. He has appeared on various media outlets, including *CNN*, *Fox News*, *MSNBC*, *PBS NewsHour* and Comedy Central's *The Daily Show*.

The 19th News Politics Reporter [Grace Panetta](#) will discuss her experiences covering the midterm election. Her presentation will focus on election administration, voting rights, and gender issues in 2022. Panetta previously was a senior politics reporter at *Insider*. She has appeared on *MSNBC*, *Fox 5 DC* and *Cheddar*.

Two professors will present their academic research on candidates' television and social media advertising during the midterm campaign cycle. [Shannon McGregor](#) is an assistant professor at the Hussman School of Journalism and Media at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. [Travis Ridout](#) is the Thomas S. Foley Distinguished Professor of Government and Public Policy in the School of Politics, Philosophy and Public Affairs at Washington State University. He is also co-director of the Wesleyan Media Project, which tracks political advertising.

[Professor Charles Franklin](#), director of the Marquette Law School Poll, will discuss election polling in Wisconsin and compare the 2022 midterm election to previous cycles.

The host of the event, the Elections Research Center, is part of the Department of Political Science at UW–Madison. The goals of the center are to foster cutting-edge research on national and state elections and to further scholarly understanding of voting and elections.

For more information, visit their website at elections.wisc.edu.

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