

# PALS Topics and Speakers, Fall 2024

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## **Biden's Foreign Policy in the Midst of Crisis and Elections**

[Dr. Jerry Pubantz](#), *Professor Emeritus of Political Science, University of North Carolina*

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## **The End of China's Rise and the Future of Global Order**

[Dr. Michael Beckley](#), *Professor of Political Science, Tufts University*

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## **The State of Artificial Intelligence: Where Do We Go from Here?**

[Jim Williams](#), *Customer Engineer at Google Cloud*

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## **The Future of the U.S. Constitution**

[Dr. Bruce Peabody](#), *Professor of Government and Politics, Fairleigh Dickinson University*

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## **Psychedelic Outlaws: The Movement Revolutionizing Modern Medicine**

[Dr. Joanna Kempner](#), *Professor of Sociology, Rutgers University*

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## **Searching for Goldilocks in the Middle East: How the U.S. Can Get It Right**

[Dr. Steven Cook](#), *Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations*

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## **Search for Truth in an Era of False News**

[Alan Miller](#), *Founder of the News Literacy Project and former Journalist*

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## **Behind the Problems of Bullying and Anxiety in School-aged Youth**

[Dr. Maurice Elias](#), *Professor of Psychology, Rutgers University*

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## **Tipping from Climate Risk to Climate Solutions**

[Dr. Radley Horton](#), *Professor, Climate School, Columbia University*

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## **Critical Issues Confronting NJ's 2025 Gubernatorial Candidates**

[Dr. Benjamin Dworkin](#), *Director, Rowan Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship*