



SPRING 2023 REPORT



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Cover: Allen C. Guelzo is joined by Richard Brookhiser and Lucas Morel to discuss *Abraham Lincoln: Redeemer President* at Ford’s Theatre.

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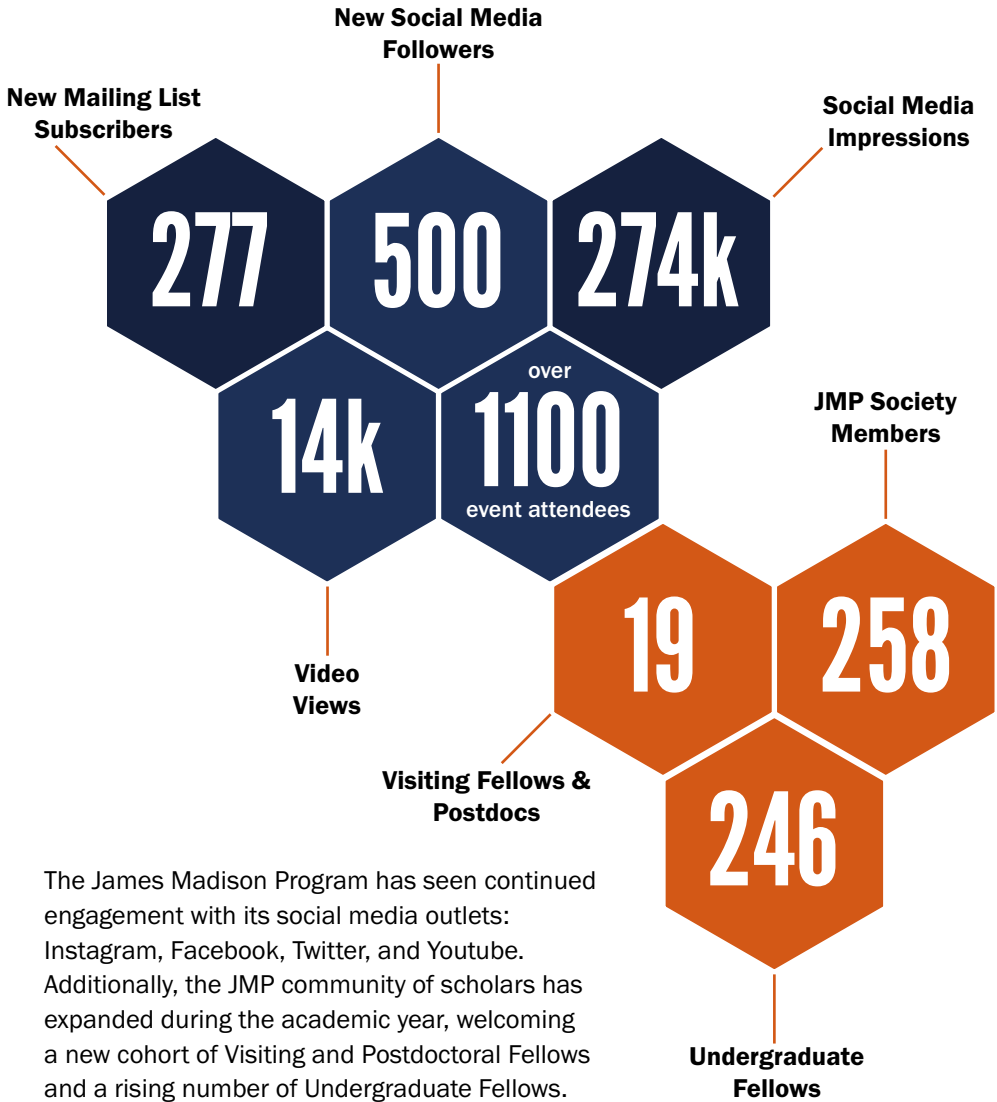
Gene A. Jarrett, Princeton’s Dean of the Faculty and William S. Tod Professor of English, gives a lecture titled, ‘Of course I shall defend you’: Paul Laurence Dunbar’s Alliances with Theodore Roosevelt and Booker T. Washington.

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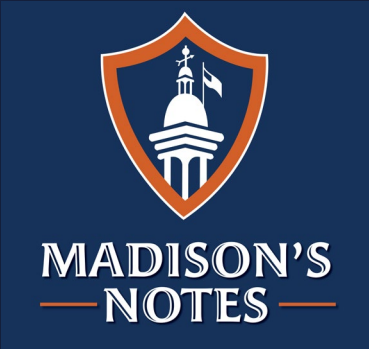
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Reach and Engagement

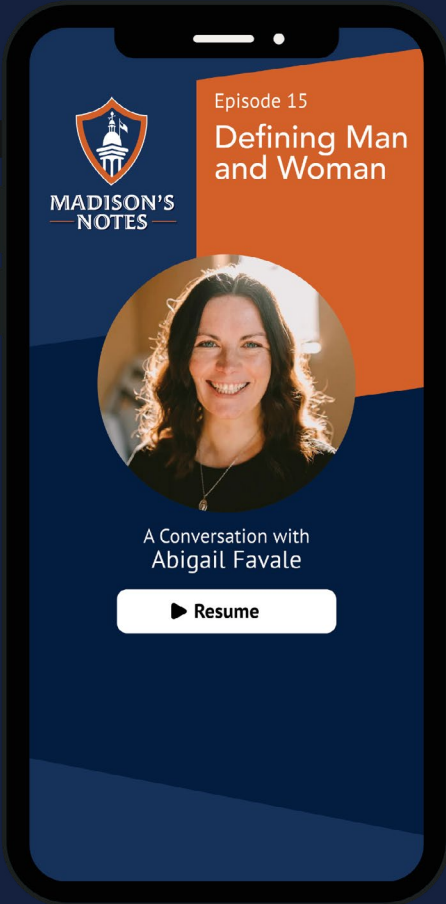


The James Madison Program has seen continued engagement with its social media outlets: Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and Youtube. Additionally, the JMP community of scholars has expanded during the academic year, welcoming a new cohort of Visiting and Postdoctoral Fellows and a rising number of Undergraduate Fellows.



Since the beginning of Season 2 in July 2022, *Madison's Notes*—the James Madison Program's official podcast—has released 20 new episodes and garnered over 35,000 downloads. The podcast now has 121.9k total downloads, with 3,000 new downloads per month. Top episodes from Season 2 include:

- Episode 11: Missing: Men at Work**
A Conversation with Nick Eberstadt
- Episode 18: Mapping the American Right**
A Conversation with AEI's Robert Doar
- Episode 6: The 10,000 Year Build-Up to Brexit**
A Conversation with Ian Morris
- Episode 15: Defining Man and Woman**
A Conversation with Abigail Favale
- Episode 14: Assessing Affirmative Action**
A Conversation with Jason Riley



2022 - 2023 Visiting and Postdoctoral Fellows

The James Madison Program welcomed 19 Visiting Fellows and Postdoctoral Fellows in September 2022. Fellows pursue their own research and writing, participate in courses and seminars, and contribute to the intellectual life of Princeton University and the Department of Politics. They come to Princeton from around the world and bring a wealth of expertise on topics spanning political philosophy, history, literature, law, religion, political economy, and ethics.



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2022 - 2023 Visiting and Postdoctoral Fellows

Nicholas Anderson

2022-23 John and Daria Barry Postdoctoral Research Fellow; Lecturer in Politics

Steele Brand

2022-23 Garwood Visiting Fellow; Associate Professor of History at The King's College

Timothy W. Burns

2022-23 John and Daria Barry Visiting Fellow; Professor of Political Science at Baylor University

Keegan Callanan

2022-23 Forbes Visiting Research Collaborator; Associate Professor of Political Science, Middlebury College

Alexis Carré

2022-23 Thomas W. Smith Postdoctoral Research Associate

Shawn Phillip Cooper

2022-23 John and Daria Barry Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Agata Czarnecka

2022-23 Visiting Fellow; Assistant Professor of Law at Nicolaus Copernicus University

Solveig L. Gold '17

2022-23 Thomas W. Smith Postdoctoral Research Associate

Mark David Hall

2022-23 Garwood Visiting Fellow; Professor of Politics, George Fox University

James Hankins

2022-23 Garwood Visiting Fellow; Professor of History, Harvard University

Thomas D. Howes

2022-23 Postdoctoral Research Associate; Lecturer in Politics

Nasser Hussain

2022-23 Postdoctoral Research Associate; Lecturer in Politics

Stefan Kolev

2022-23 Visiting Fellow; Professor of Political Economy, University of Applied Sciences Zwickau

Juan Tello Mendoza

2022-23 Margarita Salas Visiting Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Rosemarie Monge

2022-23 Visiting Fellow; Associate Professor of Ethics and Business Law, St. Thomas University

Ronen Shoval

2022-23 Associate Research Scholar; Lecturer in Politics

Abigail Staysa

2022-23 John and Daria Barry Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Ján Tomašík

2022-23 Visiting Student Research Collaborator; PhD Candidate in Political Science, Masaryk University, Czech Republic

Geoffrey M. Vaughan

2022-23 Visiting Fellow; Professor of Political Science, Assumption University

Public Events

The James Madison Program hosted a variety of public events throughout the 2022-2023 academic year, including **Judge Amul Thapar**’s Antonin Scalia Constitution Day Lecture on originalism; **Brad Birzer**’s Columbus Day Lecture, “A Frontier of Possibilities;” **Carl R. Trueman**’s lecture on the modern self; and **Matthew Continetti**’s Elizabeth M. Whelan Lecture on the state of conservatism in 2022. To cap off the fall semester, **Vincent Phillip Muñoz** gave a talk on free exercise of religion, and Dean of the Faculty **Gene Jarrett** kicked off the spring events on campus with an exploration of Paul Laurence Dunbar’s alliances. The Madison Program’s sponsored lectures continued this spring with a Black History Month event on agency and equity featuring **Ian Rowe** and the 2023 Charles E. Test, M.D. ’37 Distinguished Lectures by **Teresa Bejan**.

The James Madison Program Initiative on Politics and Statesmanship hosted two public events: a lecture by **John Wilsey** on John Foster Dulles and foreign policy, and a discussion of **Allen C. Guelzo**’s *Abraham Lincoln: Redeemer President*. The Lincoln discussion took place at Ford’s Theatre in Washington, D.C. where Dr. Guelzo was joined by **Lucas Morel** of Washington and Lee University and **Richard Brookhiser** of *National Review*.

Additionally, the Initiative on Freedom of Thought, Inquiry, and Expression presented three events: a discussion with former ACLU president **Nadine Strossen** on free speech controversies; a conversation with **William Deresiewicz**, author of *The End of Solitude: Selected Essays on Culture and Society*; and a conference on **Institutional Neutrality and the Mission of the University**. During this conference, panelists investigated the role and impact of the landmark Kalven Report and drafted a new, updated statement defining the critical role of the University in defending free speech.



Vincent Phillip Muñoz
How Justice Alito ’72, the Supreme Court’s Originalists, and Almost All Conservatives Misinterpret the Free Exercise of Religion



Ian Rowe
Agency, Not Equity:
A Path to Achieve Excellence for All Versus Universal Mediocrity



Judge Amul R. Thapar
Originalism in Theory and Practice



Brad Birzer
A Frontier of Possibilities



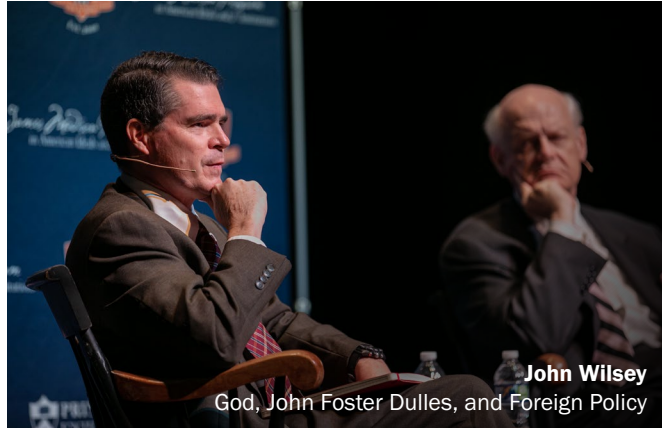
Matthew Continetti
The State of Conservatism 2022



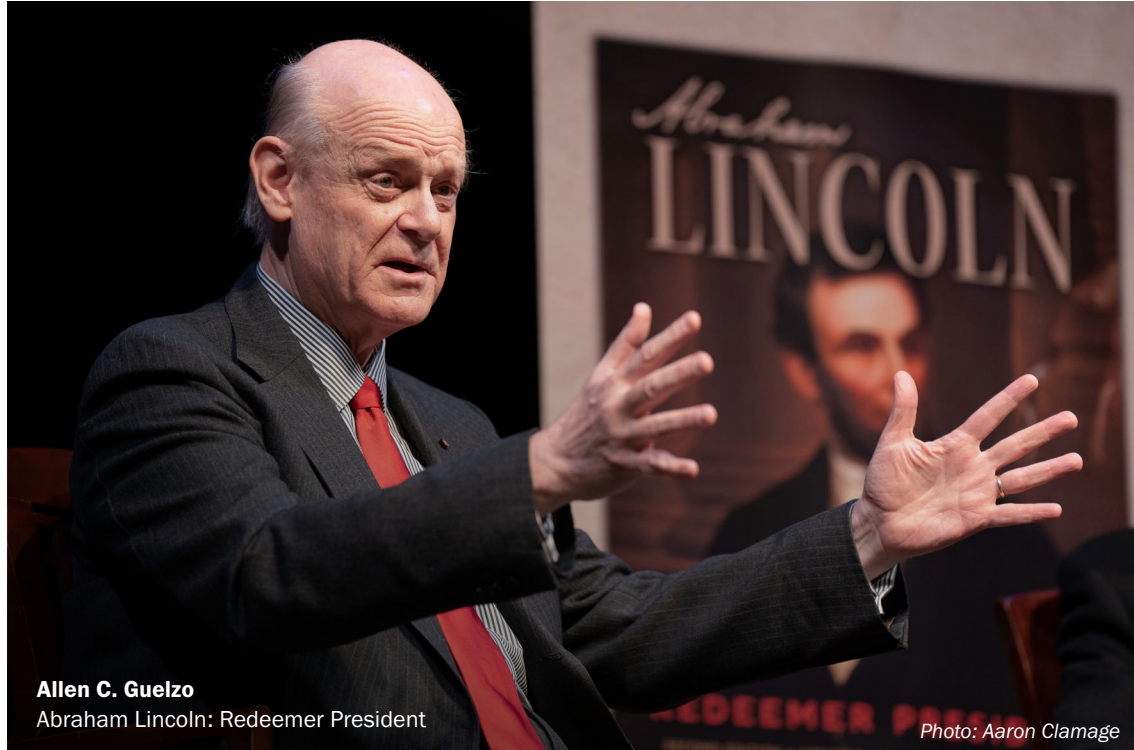
John Tomasi
Institutional Neutrality and the Mission of the University



Nadine Strossen
Current Free Speech Controversies



John Wilsey
God, John Foster Dulles, and Foreign Policy



Allen C. Guelzo
Abraham Lincoln: Redeemer President

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Gene A. Jarrett (pictured with Robert P. George)
'Of course I shall defend you':
Paul Laurence Dunbar's Alliances with Theodore Roosevelt and Booker T. Washington



Teresa Bejan
First Among Equals



Carl R. Trueman
The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self

Undergraduate Fellows Forum

The Madison Program welcomed **Michael Schmidt** as the Undergraduate Program Coordinator in November 2022. Michael received his MA in political science from Boston College and his BA in liberal arts from the Great Books Program at St. John’s College, Annapolis. Under Michael’s leadership, membership and engagement in the Undergraduate Fellows Forum continue to grow. There are currently **246 Undergraduate Fellows**, with nearly 80 students joining since the start of the academic year.

Throughout the year, Undergraduate Fellows dine at Prospect House with some of the Program’s Visiting Fellows—political scientists, economists, and historians—discussing recent and current work the scholar-in-residence has produced.

This Spring, members of the Forum had the opportunity to travel to Washington, D.C. and attend two oral arguments at the U.S. Supreme Court. Afterwards, students met with **Justice Neil Gorsuch** for a discussion about constitutional interpretation and his career in law.



Michael Schmidt
Undergraduate Program Coordinator



Myles McKnight '23



Billy Wade '23



Tori Tinsley '24

This Undergraduate Fellows Forum also hosts private, off-the-record teas. In February, Undergraduate Fellows had the opportunity to discuss the state of conservatism and American culture with **Robert Doar '83**, President of the American Enterprise Institute.



Robert Doar '83 (right) with Shilo Brooks and the James Madison Program Undergraduate Fellows



Members of the Undergraduate Fellows Forum traveled to the U.S. Supreme Court on March 29, 2023. Students attended oral arguments for *Samia v. United States* (22-196) and *Karcho Polselli v. IRS* (21-1599) before meeting with Justice Neil Gorsuch.



Convivium at Oxford

2023 brings new programming for the JMP Undergraduate Fellows. Held at the University of Oxford's Jesus College, the inaugural JMP Convivium seminar series provides 14 members of the Madison Program's Undergraduate Fellows Forum the opportunity to spend a week with peers reading and discussing classic texts centered on the theme of ambition. Is ambition inherently good or bad? What motivates political ambition? Are there different kinds of ambition, each motivated differently? Readings include Xenophon, Plutarch, Machiavelli, and Shakespeare.

FACULTY

Shilo Brooks, Assistant Director of the James Madison Program and Lecturer in Politics, Princeton University

Flynn J. Cratty, Associate Director of the Human Flourishing Program, Harvard University

Course Offerings

FALL 2022

FRS 105

American Identity at a Crossroads?

Instructor: Nasser Hussain

2022-23 Postdoctoral Research Associate and Lecturer in Politics

Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology, Columbia University



FRS 103

Contemporary Natural Law Theory

Instructor: Thomas Howes

2022-23 Postdoctoral Research Associate and Lecturer in Politics

Ph.D. in Philosophy, Catholic University of America

POL 488/HUM 488/AMS 488

Secession, the Civil War, and the Constitution

Instructor: Allen C. Guelzo

Thomas W. Smith Distinguished Research Scholar

Director, James Madison Program Initiative on Politics and Statesmanship

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POL 332

The Art of Statesmanship and the Political Life

Instructor: Shilo Brooks

Assistant Director, James Madison Program in American Ideals and Institutions

Lecturer in the Department of Politics

POL 493

The Philosophy of Law in America

Instructor: R.J. Snell

Director of Academic Programs,

The Witherspoon Institute

POL 494

Freedom of Speech and Freedom of Inquiry

Instructor: Marc DeGirolami

Visiting Professor in the Department of Politics and Cary Fields Professor of Law

and Co-Director of the Center for Law and Religion, St. John's University

FRS 130

Contours of American Thought

Instructor: Allen C. Guelzo

Thomas W. Smith Distinguished Research Scholar

Director, James Madison Program Initiative on Politics and Statesmanship

FRS 184

Virtues and the Meaning of Life in Different Cultures

Instructor: Ronen Shoval

2022-23 Associate Research Scholar and Lecturer in Politics

Ph.D. in Jewish Political Thought, Paris West University Nanterre La Défense

James Madison Summer Seminars



Photo: Brian Jackson

The Principles of American Politics

The Principles of American Politics is a one-week seminar for upper-level high-school students. Participants study the fundamental questions of equality and liberty in American political life. What have Americans meant by these principles from the founding to the present? What is their relationship with one another, with political power, with law, and with the private sphere of civil society? Are they in tension or in harmony? Readings for the seminar include *The Federalist*, Alexis de Tocqueville's *Democracy in America*, and other foundational texts from American history.

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S. Adam Seagrave

Associate Professor, School of Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership, Arizona State University

Jeffrey J. Poelvoorde

Associate Professor of Politics (retired), Converse University

Statesmanship in American History

In cooperation with the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, and hosted and funded by the James Madison Program, the Statesmanship in American History summer seminar is a weeklong professional development event on the study of statecraft for high school teachers. Statesmanship, or statecraft, is the pursuit of politics at the highest level, beyond the levels of organization, mobilization, planning, and leadership. In these turbulent and polarized times, Americans need statecraft more than ever, and, more than ever, we need to know what it is, how it can be recognized, and whether it can be cultivated. From George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and Frederick Douglass to the present day, participants consider who our statesmen have been, and what our students need to know to understand the difficult art of political statecraft.

FACULTY

Allen C. Guelzo

Thomas W. Smith Distinguished Research Scholar and Director of the James Madison Program's Initiative on Politics and Statesmanship, Princeton University

Shilo Brooks

Assistant Director of the James Madison Program and Lecturer in the Department of Politics, Princeton University

Matthew J. Franck

Professor Emeritus of Political Science, Radford University and Senior Fellow, The Witherspoon Institute

Nathan McAlister

Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History's 2010 National History Teacher of the Year

The Moral Foundations of Law

Under the direction of Professor Gerard V. Bradley of Notre Dame Law School, this seminar covers some of the most contested areas of inquiry in legal philosophy today, including legal positivism, practical reason, human good and positive law, morals legislation, pluralism, crime and punishment, property, and rights and duties. The seminar is designed as an intensive weeklong program investigating the relationship between sound norms of critical morality and civil law. Seminar discussions examine key contemporary legal debates, such as religious freedom and conscience, beginning and end of life issues, and marriage legislation.

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Gerard V. Bradley

Professor of Law, University of Notre Dame Law School

John M. Finnis

Professor Emeritus of Law & Legal Philosophy, University of Oxford; Biolchini Family Professor of Law Emeritus, University of Notre Dame Law School

Robert P. George

McCormick Professor of Jurisprudence and Director of the James Madison Program, Princeton University

Adam MacLeod

Professor of Law, Jones School of Law, Faulkner University

Incoming Visiting and Postdoctoral Fellows

Megan Brand

2023-24 Thomas W. Smith
Postdoctoral Research Associate;
Ph.D. in International Relations and Comparative
Public Law, Princeton University

John Breen

2023-24 Visiting Fellow;
Georgia Leithal Professor of Law,
Loyola University Chicago School of Law

Kevin Burns

2023-24 Visiting Fellow;
Assistant Professor in the Department of Political
Science and Economics, Christendom College

Michael Gonzalez

2023-24 Thomas W. Smith
Postdoctoral Research Associate;
Ph.D. in Political Science, Baylor University

Aaron Herold

2023-24 Visiting Fellow;
Associate Professor & Chair of Political Science and
International Relations, SUNY Geneseo

Zena Hitz

2023-24 Visiting Fellow;
Tutor at St. John’s College

Hugh Liebert

2023-24 Visiting Fellow;
Professor of American Politics,
United States Military Academy

Anthony Marsh

2023-24 John and Daria Barry
Postdoctoral Research Fellow;
Ph.D. candidate in Philosophy,
Columbia University

Oliver Traldi

2023-24 John and Daria Barry
Postdoctoral Research Fellow;
Ph.D. candidate in Philosophy,
University of Notre Dame

Ian Tuttle

2023-24 John and Daria Barry
Postdoctoral Research Fellow;
Ph.D. candidate in Political Theory,
The Catholic University of America

Qian (Habi) Zhang

2023-24 Postdoctoral Research Associate;
Ph.D. candidate in Political Science,
Purdue University



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