



# THE OBAMA PRESIDENCY: AN EARLY PROGRESS REPORT

**EXPERTS ASSESS THE NEW PRESIDENT'S FIRST MONTHS IN OFFICE**  
WEDNESDAY, APR. 15TH // 10AM - 4:15PM // USC UNIVERSITY PARK CAMPUS

Panels will be co-moderated by **Jonathan Martin**, White House Correspondent for POLITICO, **Mike Allen**, Chief Political Correspondent for POLITICO, and **Dan Schnur**, Director of the USC Unruh Institute of Politics

## 10:00 – 11:30 AM FIXING A BROKEN ECONOMY

*Panel Discussion, Davidson Conference Center*

- **Tom Campbell**, Former U.S. Congressman and California State Budget Director
- **Loren Kaye**, President of the California Foundation for Commerce and Education
- **Matt Miller**, Sr. Fellow, Center for American Progress Action Fund; former Sr. Economic Adviser to Pres. Clinton
- **Jennifer Palmieri**, Sr. Vice President of Communications, Center for American Progress Action Fund

## 12:00 – 1:15 PM POLITICAL ORGANIZING IN THE INTERNET AGE

*Lunch Discussion, Radisson Hotel, Grand Ballroom*

- **Jon Fleischman**, Publisher, The FlashReport Website on California Politics
- **Adam Mendelsohn**, Partner, Mercury Public Affairs
- **Leslie Miller**, Sr. Communications Director with the Obama for America Campaign
- **Jennifer Palmieri**, Sr. Vice President of Communications, Center for American Progress Action Fund

## 1:45 – 3:00 PM A NEW PRESIDENT ON A GLOBAL STAGE: FOREIGN POLICY & NATIONAL SECURITY

*Panel Discussion, Davidson Conference Center*

- **David Demarest**, Former White House Communications Director
- **Jerrold Green**, President and CEO, Pacific Council on International Policy
- **Nina Hachigian**, Sr. Fellow, Center for American Progress Action Fund
- **Mickey Kantor**, former U.S. Secretary of Commerce and U.S. Trade Representative

## 3:00 – 4:15 PM THE PLANET'S NEXT CHALLENGES: ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

*Panel Discussion, Davidson Conference Center*

- **Brooke Coleman**, Executive Director, New Fuels Alliance
- **Bob Hertzberg**, Former California State Assembly Speaker
- **Joe Sparano**, President, Western States Petroleum Association
- **Thomas Stickel**, Founder, Southwestern Utilities Network, LLC
- **Daniel J. Weiss**, Director of Climate Strategy, Center for American Progress Action Fund

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