

USC Dornsife in the News Archive - 2020

December

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[Time](#) featured an op-ed by Peter C. Mancall of the USC Dornsife College on how America keeps adapting the story of the Pilgrims at Plymouth. "After the establishment of the United States, historians and politicians cemented Plymouth in the [script of American nationalism](#), minimizing its well-documented problems and magnifying its alleged wonder," he wrote. He was also featured in [Yahoo News](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) on why the Puritans cracked down on celebrating Christmas.

[The New Yorker](#) featured an article by Carol Muske-Dukes of the USC Dornsife College on the writer John Cheever's visit to Sing Sing Correctional Facility. "I didn't fully grasp, till I thought about it later, how the Q&A at Sing Sing, for Cheever, must have been like [facing a roomful of his own characters](#), suddenly eerily alive, talking back to him, pointing their fingers," she wrote.

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[Los Angeles Times](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the percentage of people still staying home in L.A. County.

[The Washington Post](#) featured research by Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College on how lawmakers with stock holdings vote in ways that benefit their portfolios. He was also highlighted in [Politico](#).

[KNX 1070 AM](#) featured April Thames of the USC Dornsife College on why African Americans may be hesitant to receive the new coronavirus vaccine. "We know that simply following the advice of medical authorities, at least in the Black community, has [led to deadly consequences](#)," she said.

December 11, 2020

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured April Thames of the USC Dornsife College on why African Americans may be hesitant to receive the new coronavirus vaccine. "We have to break down and

admit that there has been [structural racism and bias within biomedical science](#) and that we need to do better at rectifying this problem so that people do participate," she said.

December 10, 2020

[PBS Los Angeles affiliate KCET-TV](#) interviewed Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the origins of California's controversial Proposition 187, which denied public, social, educational and health services to undocumented immigrants in the state.

December 9, 2020

[The New York Times](#) cited research by David Kang of the USC Dornsife College on the role social status plays in motivation.

[The Guardian](#) and [KQED-FM](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the percentage of people still staying home in L.A. County.

December 8, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) featured research by Kyla Thomas of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the percentage of people still staying home in L.A. County. "Even as more restrictions are being put in place, we're finding people are not changing their behavior, they're [not staying home more](#)," she said. Additional coverage was found in the [Los Angeles Times](#), [The Guardian](#) and [NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#).

December 7, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured an op-ed by Darryl Holter and William Estrada of the USC Dornsife College on the importance of preserving the history of Figueroa Street in downtown Los Angeles. "These streets remind us that our roots are rich, diverse and should [continue to be celebrated hundreds of years later](#)," they wrote.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Erin Baggott Carter of the USC Dornsife College on efforts in China to assign blame for the coronavirus.

[Deadline](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on China's censorship of the entertainment industry.

[Los Angeles Times](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the percentage of Angelenos staying home since mid-June.

December 4, 2020

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured research by Lowell Stott of the USC Dornsife College on the likelihood of a dry, warm winter in Southern California. "On average, there will be [less moisture than we would normally receive](#) here in California. It is still possible that we could have some major rainfall events throughout the winter," he said.

December 3, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Lowell Stott of the USC Dornsife College on the high probability of a dry, warm winter in California.

[USA Today](#) quoted Alaina Morgan of the USC Dornsife College on the numerous injustices that affect Black women in America.

[The Wall Street Journal](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on American's adherence to mask-wearing.

[CBS](#) discusses the Pandemic's toll on the economy, nearly \$5 trillion over two years.

December 2, 2020

[The Christian Science Monitor](#) quoted Francille Rusan Wilson of the USC Dornsife College on efforts by the Republican Party to suppress Black voter turnout.

[KQED-FM](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration on the number of immigrants eligible to apply for naturalization.

December 1, 2020

[The Wall Street Journal](#) featured the new book *South to Freedom: Runaway Slaves to Mexico and the Road to the Civil War* by Alice Baumgartner of the USC Dornsife College. "Unlike many experts who study the U.S.-Mexico borderlands, [Baumgartner] has crafted her book from Mexican as well as American archival collections, and she is [deeply versed in the secondary historical literature](#) of both countries," they wrote.

[The New York Times](#) featured an op-ed co-written by Nicolás Albertoni, doctoral candidate at the USC Dornsife College, and a colleague on Latin America being left out of recent trade agreements. "The sad reality is that the region's fragmentation condemns it to an increasingly secondary role in the global political economy, with [dire consequences for its development](#)," they wrote.

November

November 30, 2020

[KPCC-FM](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the Trump administration increasing naturalization fees. "What [Citizenship and Immigration Services] did was to increase the price in a way that they knew would [discourage naturalization](#), based on the research that's been presented to them," he said.

November 25, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on President-elect Joe Biden's Cabinet selections.

[The Washington Post](#) noted that the USC Dornsife Daybreak poll had a statistically significant pro-Democratic bias regarding the 2020 election.

November 24, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the presidential transition and President-elect Joe Biden's cabinet selections.

[The Atlantic](#) quoted Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on why COVID-19 could lead to hundreds of thousands of fewer births in the United States.

[LAist](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how many Californians are visiting each other's homes during the pandemic.

November 23, 2020

[Bloomberg](#) quoted Darry Sragow of the USC Dornsife College on California's outsized influence on American policymaking.

[The New York Times](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how many Californians are visiting each other's homes during the pandemic.

November 20, 2020

[Marketplace](#) featured Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on what the USC Dornsife Daybreak Poll got right and wrong about the 2020 election. "The things that we were looking at are, did our probability questions just not work as well in this very different election year? Did we feel like we might just be missing Trump voters? Is there this group of hidden Trump voters that we're talking about, or, you know, [hidden voters of any kind](#)?" she said.

[The Washington Post](#) featured an op-ed by David Hill, a fellow at the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future, on the declining reliability of polls. "There's a dirty little secret that we pollsters need to own up to: [People don't talk to us anymore](#), and it's making polling less reliable," he wrote.

[KPCC-FM](#) interviewed Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how President Donald Trump changed the naturalization process for immigrants.

November 19, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured the latest findings of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll, which found that repeated attacks on the legitimacy of the presidential election has eroded some voters' faith in the results. "What's really very clear is that the large group of voters who voted for Donald Trump in this election have absorbed the [message that the vote may not have been completely, fairly counted](#)," said Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research.

[The New York Times](#) featured the new book *South to Freedom: Runaway Slaves to Mexico and the Road to the Civil War* by Alice Baumgartner of the USC Dornsife College. "Baumgartner's important conclusion is that we must [reconceive the impact of the supposedly powerless](#) on the economically and politically powerful," she wrote.

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured research by Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on COVID-19 deaths and the estimated 250,000 Americans who are already grieving. "It gives you a sense of [how much grief and loss](#) is blanketing our country right now," she said.

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College on the two remaining uncalled congressional races in California. "This is a Democratic dominant state, but these are [pockets of hope for Republicans](#) to run different kinds of candidates," he said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) cited the results of a survey from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on if more people are gathering with those outside their household at this point in the pandemic.

November 18, 2020

[ABC News](#) featured Adrian de Leon of the USC Dornsife College on how Filipino Americans have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. "[For Filipinos], [health care is tied to employment](#). That compels Filipino nurses to continue to work, continue to be underpaid [and] continue to be exposed to higher rates of COVID-19 quite intimately because of longer exposure rates," he said.

[Patch](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Wändi Bruine de Bruin of the USC Price School and the USC Dornsife College and a colleague on how to administer more accurate election polls. "We suspect people may find it easier to report about how they think others might vote than it is to [admit how they themselves will vote](#)," they wrote. The story was also published in [Yahoo News](#) and the [Houston Chronicle](#).

November 17, 2020

[Vice](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on knockoff Make America Great Again hats still being sold in China.

November 16, 2020

[The Hill](#) featured an op-ed by Gregory Treverton of the USC Dornsife College on the concerns surrounding the transition from President Donald Trump to President-elect Joe Biden. "Suffice to say: These are hardly the best of times. The [next months are very dangerous ones](#), both at home and abroad," he wrote.

[Fast Company](#) highlighted the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll and its experimental social-circle question that predicted a close 2020 election.

November 13, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Alaina Morgan of the USC Dornsife College on proposed book bans in the Burbank Unified School District.

[Variety](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the lack of support for an additional coronavirus stimulus bill.

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured Sarah Portnoy of the USC Dornsife College on the history of horchata. "The way that [L.A. residents] make horchata is gonna be different than in Sinaloa, or in Sonora, because just like with tamales, or many other Mexican dishes, [every region has its own specialty](#)," she said.

November 12, 2020

[LAist](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how California may address its budget shortfalls now that Prop 15 did not pass. "The state legislature itself may go back and start to take a look at what it can do [with regard to property taxes](#)," he said.

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the selection of Ron Klain as President-elect Biden's White House chief of staff.

November 11, 2020

[The New York Times](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the attempts to reform California's Proposition 13. He was also quoted in the [Los Angeles Times](#) on how Black politicians can run successful campaigns in L.A.

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[Los Angeles Times](#) featured Ange-Marie Hancock Alfaro of the USC Dornsife College on the significance of electing Sen. Kamala Harris as the country's next vice president. "[My family and I] were very concerned that America, other voters in other states, would still not be progressive enough to vote for Harris. I think **she had quite the opposite impact**," she said. She was quoted again in the [Los Angeles Times](#) on how Harris' election may be proof that voting can bring about change.

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November 6, 2020

[The New York Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the results of California's ballot measures. He was also quoted in the [Los Angeles Times](#) and interviewed on [KNX 1070 AM](#).

[Vox](#) quoted William Deverell of the USC Dornsife College on California being one of the first states to allow citizen-driven ballot initiatives.

November 5, 2020

[Smithsonian Magazine](#) featured the new book *South to Freedom: Runaway Slaves to Mexico and the Road to the Civil War* by Alice Baumgartner of the USC Dornsife College. "Baumgartner's debut book deftly **traces parallels between Mexico and the U.S.**, examining why both permitted and later abolished slavery while offering insights on how the past continues to shape the two countries' relationship," they wrote.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Ange-Marie Hancock Alfaro of the USC Dornsife College on the significance of an entirely female L.A. County Board of Supervisors.

November 4, 2020

[KCRW-FM](#) featured Mike Murphy of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the ongoing counting of 2020 votes. "I think [Joe Biden's] strategy may work, but because of the nature of counting absentee votes in a pandemic, it's going to **take 24 hours** and not be wrapped up neatly," he said. He was also quoted in [The Hill](#) on Biden's chances in Arizona.

[Marketplace](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on how the election will shape policy decisions for the rest of the year.

[LAist](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on why the 1978 proposition on limiting property taxes known as Prop. 13 was approved by voters.

[Vox](#) cited research by Jane Junn and Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College that suggests Republicans are more likely to question the victim's behavior in cases of alleged sexual misconduct.

November 2, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured the results of the final USC Dornsife Daybreak Poll before the 2020 election, which found Joe Biden leading Donald Trump by 54% to 43% in the poll's daily tracking. "**It could have gone either way**" for President Trump when the coronavirus pandemic began, said Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future, but "the way he handled it brought him back to the problems he had all along." The poll's results were also featured in [The Hill](#).

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College on how the legal challenges regarding the 2000 election could be repeated in 2020. "The window of time is really between Election Day, when everyone casts their ballots, and then when the electors meet in early December. That's the **only time for litigation**," he said.

[Variety](#) featured Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on China moving ahead of the U.S. in regard to entertainment production during COVID-19. "On entertainment and media issues, **China is in the driver's seat**. They are returning to normal while Hollywood and film production in the U.S. is still in a holding pattern," he said.

[Vice](#) featured Adrian De Leon of the USC Dornsife College on the cultural value of Doreen Fernandez's 1994 essay collection on Filipino cuisine. "I saw a lot of her food writing as ways to try to **poke holes into a technocratic regime** during Ferdinand Marcos," he said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Richard Flory of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Religion and Civic Culture on President Trump's sway over Christian conservatives.

October

October 30, 2020

[Politico](#) featured Arie Kapteyn of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the upcoming election and USC's research and polling efforts overall. "We are not a polling firm; we're a research firm. We happen to have this Internet panel where we ask people all sorts of questions, so **why not also ask them about politics?**" he said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured Antonio Damasio of the USC Dornsife College on how to respond to being asked how you are. "Some people are by nature **more open to sharing things**. I don't think that [behavior] has disappeared just because we are in the middle of bad times, health-wise and politically. That's just reality," he said.

[Newsweek](#) featured Sylvain Barbot of the USC Dornsife College on the recent earthquake drought along the San Andreas Fault potentially being tied to the loss of an ancient lake. "The research brings attention to a critical segment of the fault that is expected to **snap into a great earthquake at any moment**," he said.

[PBS Los Angeles affiliate KCET-TV](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how California can be the harbinger of national political trends.

October 29, 2020

[BBC News](#) quoted Kyung Moon Hwang of the USC Dornsife College on how social reciprocity in Korean culture can lead to political problems.

[The Sacramento Bee](#) quoted Lisa Ansell of the USC Dornsife College's Casden Institute on identifying anti-Semitic undertones in imagery.

October 28, 2020

[U.S. News & World Report](#) featured research by Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on how common it is to lose a sibling in low- and middle-income countries. "There's extensive social science research on family dynamics and childhood emphasizing siblings as key agents of young people's socialization, so it's concerning **how frequently youth experience their traumatic loss**," she said.

[Houston Chronicle](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Michael Goran of the USC Dornsife College on how to cut back on sugary snacks on Halloween and beyond. "Having kids **eat something healthy as the evening starts** will keep them from overdoing it with sweets later," he wrote.

[ABC News San Francisco affiliate KGO-TV](#) and [KNX 1070 AM](#) featured the USC Dornsife Daybreak Poll and the results of its experimental questions that could hint at a President Trump win in the Electoral College. The poll was also mentioned in the [Los Angeles Times](#).

[Business Insider](#) cited research by David Newman of the USC Dornsife College's Mind and Society Center on conservatives reporting more life satisfaction than liberals.

October 27, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) featured the USC Dornsife Daybreak Poll and its social-circle question, which may indicate better odds for Donald Trump to retain the presidency. Karen North of the USC Annenberg School was also interviewed on how social media networks are handling the election.

October 26, 2020

[Time](#) featured Steve Ross of the USC Dornsife College on Joe Biden's debate comment regarding America's relationship with Adolf Hitler. "We didn't have a great relationship with Hitler, but there were many Hitler supporters in the United States. The **America First movement was very much a pro-Nazi movement**, and it was those people who said we should have a great relationship with Hitler," he said.

[NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#) featured Robert Shrum and Mike Murphy of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future about the future of the Republican Party. "Republicans are going to try to hold the Senate, but Trump is a big undertow in a lot of these states. These **incumbent senators are in a tremendous dilemma**; they'd like, privately, if they could, to separate themselves from Trump," Shrum said.

October 23, 2020

[MSNBC](#) featured Mike Murphy of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on last night's presidential debates. "Biden was tight, he was on message and he got the contrast he was looking for with Trump: **he's a uniter, he has empathy, he has a plan, he's a president**. While Trump downshifted from maniacal Trump in the last debate to, dare I say it, low energy," he said.

[LAist](#) featured William Deverell of the USC Dornsife College on the history behind California's electoral process and the inclusion of so many ballot propositions. "It has grown **quite unwieldy and crude** in ways that have perverted the initial vision," he said.

October 22, 2020

[CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#) featured research by Morteza Dehghani of the USC Dornsife College on how women have higher ethical standards when compared to men. He was also quoted in [Wired](#) on the issues with using artificial intelligence to analyze language.

[Los Angeles Times](#) and [Newsweek](#) highlighted results from the latest USC Dornsife Daybreak Poll ahead of the final presidential debate.

October 21, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured the latest results of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll, which show Joe Biden leading by 11.6 points over President Donald Trump. According to Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research, this year's poll was adjusted to bring **urban and rural representation into alignment** with population percentages.

[The Washington Post](#) featured an analysis authored by Kelebogile Zvobgo and Claire Crawford, doctoral candidates at the USC Dornsife College, on the impacts and constraints of truth commissions. "Commissions cannot really be expected (and have often failed) to contribute to interpersonal and social reconciliation, especially when they reveal only a **limited part of the truth**," they wrote.

October 20, 2020

[Smithsonian Magazine](#) featured Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on the long history of scapegoating immigrants for illnesses. "It's not just policy that shapes our ideas about immigration but also our concept of health, both at a policy level and in terms of medical inspections, and also at a cultural level in **the stories we tell about race**," she said.

[FiveThirtyEight](#) quoted Jane Junn of the USC Dornsife College on how President Trump appeals to white suburban men and women.

October 19, 2020

[The New Yorker](#) featured Kristiana Willsey of the USC Dornsife College on military impostors and people aiming to catch them in the act. "On the Reddit boards, people will talk about what makes them suspicious that someone is not a real vet. The hard part is that **nobody believes anybody anymore**," she said.

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the latest results of the Daybreak Poll, which indicated a growing lack of confidence in President Trump after his debate performance. The poll was also featured in [The Atlantic](#).

[The Wall Street Journal](#) cited research by Norbert Schwarz of the USC Dornsife College on how moods can affect decision-making.

[The Washington Post](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Brain and Creativity Institute on how children's brains develop faster with music training.

October 16, 2020

[Marketplace](#) featured Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on women ending up handling more of the household labor and child care during the pandemic. "**These disparities have already been there**, but they're really getting exaggerated by how the pandemic has kind of taken away a lot of the scaffolding that makes working families tick," she said.

October 14, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured the latest results of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak poll, which indicates that President Trump's debate performance did not help his campaign. Independent respondents still give Trump the advantage regarding the economy, but not by much. "That allows them to rely more on their other top issues — **handling the coronavirus, racial unity and health care**," where

Biden has an advantage, said Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research. Additional coverage was found in [The New York Times](#).

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured an op-ed authored by Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College and a colleague that calls on California to protect low-income communities from COVID-19 before considering a full economic reopening. "The pandemic is further evidence of how deeply **race and neighborhood segregation govern our lives**. We won't get through this economic crisis unless we support the health and welfare of every community in our counties," they wrote. Pastor was also interviewed on [KPCC-FM](#) on the economic legacy of California's Prop 13.

[KFI 640 AM](#) featured research by Scott Kanoski of the USC Dornsife College on how tests involving rats indicate how the hunger hormone ghrelin can impact memory. "We think that the increased eating frequency is related to their memory impairment. **Memory from when you last ate will influence how soon you eat again**," he said.

[Science](#) quoted Emily Liman of the USC Dornsife College on why adding salt makes fruit and candy sweeter.

October 13, 2020

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) featured Patrick James of the USC Dornsife College on the ongoing conflict between Azerbaijan and Armenia. "All the evidence would support the idea that **this battle will continue**, and the facts that the states are asymmetrical with each other — one being, if you will, larger in population and having energy revenue — is not a decisive matter here," he said.

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[Vice](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on a social media boycott of K-pop group BTS in China.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Pongkwan Sawasdipakdi, a doctoral candidate at the USC Dornsife College, on the monarchy in Thailand.

October 12, 2020

[NPR](#) featured Ange-Marie Hancock-Alfaro of the USC Dornsife College on how President Trump is using race to divide the electorate. "Part of the strategy is to create enough chaos and confusion and to **create enough anger, frankly, in his base** that they will make sure that they continue to kind of agitate during the electoral process," she said.

October 9, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on California's Proposition 21 and how rent control programs can benefit low-income tenants.

October 8, 2020

[MSNBC](#) and [Politico](#) featured Robert Shrum and Mike Murphy of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the vice presidential debate. "[Pence] was no Donald Trump, but he was obnoxious in the way he dealt with the two women on that stage. Trump is already in deep trouble with suburban women, who will recoil from Pence's display of condescension and sense of superiority," Shrum said.

[The Hollywood Reporter](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on Hollywood's business prospects in China.

October 7, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College being named a 2020 MacArthur Fellow for her work on how long-held stereotypes and narratives of immigrant communities have shaped our views about race and public policy. "This will be good for talking about race, social justice, issues of equality. Thank you for caring about these issues," she said. Additional coverage was found in [The New York Times](#), [The Washington Post](#) (via [The Associated Press](#)), [USA Today](#), [CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#), [KPCC-FM](#), [KCRW-FM](#) and [Patch](#).

October 6, 2020

[The Orange County Register](#) featured David Ulin of the USC Dornsife College on the college's new literary journal that will focus on Southern California. "I've always been intrigued by the light of Southern California. The way that at various times of day it is both really, really sharp and clear, that almost shadowless light, or it can be really, really diffused like that late afternoon, sort of hazy light," he said.

October 2, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed former U.S. Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on why the next U.S. senator from California should be a woman of color.

[Vice](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on how Chinese social media responded to President Trump's COVID-19 diagnosis.

October 1, 2020

[NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#) featured Ange-Marie Hancock Alfaro of the USC Dornsife College on her takeaways from the first presidential debate. "I think the president did not expand beyond his base. Even though who might've agreed with the president's ideas were very disappointed in the way that he behaved," she said.

[CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#) featured Syuzanna Petrosyan of the USC Dornsife College's Institute of Armenian Studies on Armenian community protests outside the Azerbaijani consulate in Los Angeles. "The big question Armenians are asking is, what does Azerbaijan want?" she said.

[Chicago Tribune](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the pandemic's impact on working mothers.

September

September 30, 2020

[MSNBC](#), [Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV](#) and [Politico](#) featured Robert Shrum and Mike Murphy of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on last night's presidential debates. "Biden refused to be bullied and was strong all the way through. Trump may not be toast yet, but he's in the toaster. It's been said that everything he touches dies, and maybe Tuesday night he killed the tradition of presidential debates," Shrum said.

[NBC News](#) featured Viet Thanh Nguyen of the USC Dornsife College on being named to the Pulitzer Prize Board as the first Asian American member in its 103-year history. "When they came a few months ago and asked me, I had just finished a novel. I take the idea of citizenship seriously, whether it's service to the country or service to literature and Asian Americans, so I had to say yes," he said.

[Vice](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on how China and the Chinese media felt about last night's presidential debate.

[MarketWatch](#) highlighted an analysis of data from the USC Dornsife College's Understanding America Study.

September 28, 2020

[KPCC-FM](#) interviewed Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on why communities of color are suffering disproportionate challenges due to the coronavirus.

September 25, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) featured an op-ed by Sean Fraga, a postdoctoral fellow at the USC Dornsife College, on the history of American trade with China. "While an earlier generation of American politicians and entrepreneurs built rails reaching out toward the Pacific Ocean and China beyond, the Trump administration repeatedly tries to build walls," he wrote.

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) highlighted research by the USC Dornsife College's Public Exchange and Kayla de la Haye of the Keck School of Medicine of USC that found food insecurity has risen among low-income Angelenos since the beginning of the pandemic.

[KCRW-FM](#) and [KFI-640 AM](#) via City News Service featured results from the latest USC Dornsife-UnionBank LA Barometer survey on Angelenos' concerns about climate change.

September 24, 2020

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) featured research from the USC Dornsife College's Public Exchange and Kayla de la Haye of the Keck School of Medicine of USC that shows food insecurity is rising among Angelenos during the pandemic. "The spread of COVID-19 has worsened the already high levels of food insecurity among low-income households and marginalized groups," de la Haye said. Additional coverage was found via [CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#), [Telemundo Los Angeles affiliate KVEA-TV](#), [Spectrum News 1](#), [KPCC-FM](#), [KNX 1070 AM](#) and the [Los Angeles Sentinel](#).

[The Boston Globe](#) featured research by Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on COVID-19 deaths and the estimated number of Americans already grieving. "In just six months, nearly 2 million Americans have experienced an irreplaceable loss that not only leaves them grieving and possibly traumatized but may come with long-lasting health and economic consequences," she said.

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) quoted Sarah Portnoy of the USC Dornsife College on the origins of horchata.

[Los Angeles Times](#) cited the latest results of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll.

September 23, 2020

[San Francisco Chronicle](#) quoted Christian Grose and Norbert Schwarz of the USC Dornsife College on how voters will respond to the political fallout following the death of Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

September 22, 2020

[The Guardian](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on why President Trump's anti-socialism messaging resonates with south Florida's Latino population. "The Democratic party has indeed moved further to the left. The runner-up [Bernie Sanders] labels himself a Democratic socialist. While sophisticated people know the difference between that and being a Fidel Castro supporter, that level of nuance is not always felt in south Florida," he said.

[KFI 640 AM](#) featured research by Arthur Stone and Presidential Professor Angus Deaton of the USC Dornsife College that found middle-aged Americans are reporting more pain than elderly Americans. The study was also featured in [U.S. News & World Report](#) (via [HealthDay](#)).

[KPCC-FM](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how the pandemic is impacting working mothers.

September 21, 2020

[Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV](#) featured Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the upcoming battle to nominate Ruth Bader Ginsburg's replacement. "There's no way Trump, having made such a big issue of this, and with his strongly Evangelical base, cannot, within the next two weeks, come up with a conservative choice that satisfies his base," he said.

[Patch](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Grayson Jagers of the USC Dornsife College on the value of good nutrition in fighting diseases, including COVID-19. "Along with social distancing measures and effective vaccines, a healthy immune system is our best defense against coronavirus infection," he wrote. The story was also published in the [Houston Chronicle](#).

[The Washington Post](#) quoted Michael Edge of the USC Dornsife College on privacy concerns regarding genetic data.

[Los Angeles Times](#) highlighted Robin Coste Lewis of the USC Dornsife College and recognized Viet Thanh Nguyen of the USC Dornsife College for becoming the first Asian American member of the Pulitzer Prize Board.

September 18, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured a profile of Robin Coste Lewis of the USC Dornsife College, the outgoing poet laureate of Los Angeles. "I'm trying to show [my students] that this is in fact what most literature is about; being a comfort to you at hard times. Even if it's something that's light and fluffy and pastel. All art, hopefully, if it's good, will give comfort in the most trying of times," she said.

[LAist](#) cited research by Gema Zamarro of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how women have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

September 17, 2020

[CNN](#) featured Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on America's — and California's — history with forced sterilization of minority groups. "The story gained so much traction immediately with people because there's such a long history affecting many different racial and ethnic groups, across many institutions — mental health hospitals, public hospitals, prisons," she said. She was also quoted in [Business Insider](#).

[L.A. Taco](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the Los Angeles district attorney race.

September 16, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured the latest results of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll, which highlighted the challenges Joe Biden and Donald Trump are facing as the election draws near. "So far, few voters are focused on climate change as a deciding issue in the campaign. It will be interesting to see if that changes as the campaign progresses," said Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research.

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured Linda Chilton of the USC Dornsife College's Sea Grant Program on the need to protect the tide pools in San Pedro. "When you remove specific organisms, you reduce the biodiversity. You're changing the health and how well that environment can survive," she said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on how working from home changes our living spaces.

September 15, 2020

[KPCC-FM](#) interviewed Ange-Marie Hancock-Alfaro of the USC Dornsife College on the groups for and against California's Proposition 15 on property taxes.

[NPR](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on the complications around selling Hollywood films in China.

[The Guardian](#) quoted Julien Emile-Geay of the USC Dornsife College on how the 2020 election will be a referendum on climate change and science.

September 14, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) featured Beth Meyerowitz of the USC Dornsife College on how different people cope with uncertainty, especially during the pandemic. "Uncertainty intensifies emotions by its very nature, and those intense emotions can lead us to question your sense of values and meaning in the world," she said.

[The Hill](#) featured an op-ed co-authored by Gregory Treverton of the USC Dornsife College and a colleague on the need for election monitors in 2020. "It is time for the parties, especially the Republicans, to rise above pure partisanship in defense of democracy," they wrote.

[NPR](#) interviewed Amy Parish of the USC Dornsife College on cultural divisions recently discovered between different groups of bonobos.

[Business Insider](#) quoted Matthew Kahn of the USC Dornsife College on the economic impact of the West Coast wildfires.

[Politico](#) quoted Daphna Oyserman of the USC Dornsife College on the value of female role models.

[NBC News](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the pandemic's impact on working mothers.

September 11, 2020

[The San Diego Union-Tribune](#) featured an analysis co-authored by Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College and a colleague on the lack of government support for immigrants. "Our reliance on guest labor programs and undocumented workers while we ramp up deportation programs implicitly tells both legal and undocumented immigrants that we want them as laborers and nothing else," they wrote.

September 10, 2020

[MarketWatch](#) featured research by María J. Prados and Arie Kapteyn of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how certain retirees are often overly optimistic about their benefits. "What's concerning about these findings is that the more vulnerable groups (lower-educated people and women) are the ones who seem to be more optimistic about their future retirement benefits," Prados said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured a new report co-authored by Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College's Equity Research Institute on why L.A. and the Southern California region should not return to the status quo of racial inequity after the pandemic. "The COVID-19 disease has revealed our underlying illness: too many are at risk because of structural racism, income inequality, and our broken immigration system," he said. The report was covered further in the [Los Angeles Times](#) and on [KFI 640 AM](#).

[Politico](#) quoted Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and USC Marshall School on a new survey that tracks evangelical and Catholic support for President Trump.

September 9, 2020

[Newsweek](#) featured research by Sylvain Barbot of the USC Dornsife College on how superheated rocks deep underground may help explain earthquake patterns. "We show that a deep section of the San Andreas Fault breaks frequently and melts the host rocks, generating these anomalous seismic waves," he said. Additional coverage was found on [ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) and [CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#).

[Bloomberg](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on the controversy surrounding the live-action remake of *Mulan*.

September 8, 2020

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Adrian De Leon of the USC Dornsife College on COVID-19's disproportionate impact on many vulnerable populations, including Filipino health care workers. "You can't think about American health care without thinking about the Philippines," he said.

[NBC News](#) quoted Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the results of the college's recent Daybreak Poll.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the tendency of Democrats to be anxious regarding elections.

[Vice](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on how well the live-action remake of *Mulan* will perform in China.

[CALmatters](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how certain Californians have continued to work despite potentially unsafe conditions.

[New York Daily News](#) noted the results of the latest Daybreak Poll from the USC Dornsife College.

September 4, 2020

[Houston Chronicle](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Peter Mancall of the USC Dornsife College on the complicated legacy of the Pilgrims. "Why, until recently, did the more troubling aspects of Plymouth and its founding document, the Mayflower Compact, go ignored?" he wrote.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted April Denise Thames of the USC Dornsife College on Latinx family culture.

[Esquire](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on the removal of a dragon character from the live-action remake of *Mulan*.

September 3, 2020

[The Hill](#) featured the latest results of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll, which show Joe Biden with an 11-point lead over President Donald Trump. "It's still early and we don't know the full impact and future course of the ongoing racial strife and the two nominees' reactions to it, but one thing is clear — Trump starts the fall campaign in a weaker position than any incumbent since George H. W. Bush," said Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future.

[National Geographic](#) featured Adrian De Leon of the USC Dornsife College on the history of discrimination against Asian Americans. "The use of history is to learn from the mistakes of the past. But in a twisted, perverse way, what we see is that the U.S. continues to repeat the same historical processes that developed throughout the 19th and 20th centuries," he said.

[People](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on the removal of a dragon character from the live-action remake of *Mulan*.

September 2, 2020

[MSNBC](#) featured the latest results of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll, which show Joe Biden with an 11-point lead over President Donald Trump. The poll also noted that Biden is leading by 13 points with suburban voters. Additional coverage was found on [CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#) and [KNX 1070 AM](#), which interviewed Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future.

[MarketWatch](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on the share of non-remote workers who lost their jobs due to COVID-19 compared to remote workers.

September 1, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured the latest results of the USC Dornsife College's Daybreak Poll, which show Joe Biden with an 11-point lead over President Donald Trump. "Independents who lean toward the Republican Party seem to have been temporarily swayed by Biden's message. Trump's dark view of the Democrats' agenda seems to have swept them back into the fold, so the overall result [of the conventions] is pretty much a wash," said Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research. Additional coverage was found in [The Hill](#), [NBC News](#) and [Fox News](#).

August

August 31, 2020

[Politico](#) featured Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the future of political conventions. "There will be fewer politicians speaking and more videos of everyday Americans from the places where they live. Acceptance speeches will be delivered to a cheering throng, but speeches in general will be shorter," he said.

[Forbes](#) (via [Next Avenue](#)) quoted María J. Prados of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on people's expectations for retirement.

[The New York Times](#) and [MSNBC](#) highlighted the results of the new USC Dornsife College election 2020 tracking poll.

August 28, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) highlighted research by Jennifer Unger and Jane Steinberg of the Keck School of Medicine of USC and Robert Vos of the USC Dornsife College that found unlicensed cannabis retailers are more likely to operate in California communities with higher percentages of Black and Latino residents.

August 27, 2020

[The Wall Street Journal](#) featured a review of Sudhir Hazareesingh's book *Black Spartacus* by Nathan Perl-Rosenthal of the USC Dornsife College. "Hazareesingh's engrossing new book tells the story of how an enigmatic, deeply religious boy from Bréda came to be one of the most celebrated, feared and consequential political leaders of his generation," he wrote.

[BBC Radio](#) interviewed Daniel Benjamin of the USC Dornsife College on the link between genes and educational attainment.

[The Economist](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on issues between Hollywood and China.

August 26, 2020

[MSNBC](#) featured Mike Murphy of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the second night of the Republican National Convention and the upcoming 2020 election. "The biggest political party in America right now is the 'fire Donald Trump' party," he said.

[The Sacramento Bee](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on support for President Trump among California's Latino voters.

August 25, 2020

[MSNBC](#) featured Mike Murphy of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on the GOP's strategy for the November election. "Some of this culture war, where they're trying to change the election from a referendum on Trump versus COVID, job approvals, the economy, to a larger fight between America and the radical woke left, there's some power in that," he said.

[Australian Broadcasting Corporation](#) interviewed Sylvain Barbot of the USC Dornsife College on using mathematics to describe how rocks behave when they break under stress, which could help predict large earthquakes.

August 24, 2020

[Salon](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College and a colleague on how economic threats can change people's minds about the Confederate flag. "Public officials and individual citizens alike are more likely to oppose the presence of Confederate symbols when they learn it may be bad for local business," they wrote.

[CBS News](#) quoted Peter Westwick of the USC Dornsife College on the history of racism in surfing.

[The Atlantic](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on Joe Biden's convention speech.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how American society treats "essential" workers.

[Los Angeles Times](#) cited research by the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on upward trends in mask wearing.

August 21, 2020

[The Hill](#) featured the new USC Dornsife College election tracking poll, which shows that Joe Biden has an 11-point lead over Donald Trump. According to the poll, 52% of nonvoters in 2016 said they plan to vote for Biden in November's election compared to Trump's 32% of nonvoter support.

[BuzzFeed News](#) featured Darry Sragow of the USC Dornsife College on why the 2020 election will be different, including more mail-in voting and likely not knowing who won on election night. "The fear is that there will be this incredible avalanche of legal actions challenging everything that's gone on and as a result there will be incredibly high levels of uncertainty about the outcome," he said.

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Linda Chilton of the USC Dornsife College's Sea Grant Program on people harvesting marine creatures from the tidepools in San Pedro. "I've never seen so many people coming on a regular basis to collect, fill buckets with organisms and to strive so hard to remove what they can from the tide pools," she said.

August 20, 2020

[Newsweek](#) featured the new USC Dornsife College election tracking poll, which shows that Joe Biden has an 11-point lead over Donald Trump. "This is the election of a lifetime. By polling thousands of people and polling every night, our tracking will give us a real-time read on the shifting direction of the

presidential and congressional races," said Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future.

[NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#) featured Ange-Marie Hancock-Alfaro of the USC Dornsife College about the significance of Sen. Kamala Harris on the Democratic Party's ticket. "What the campaign needs her to do is bring in those female voters. She can talk about her record and how it applies to everybody but certainly how it applies to female voters," she said.

[Zócalo Public Square](#) featured Francille Rusan Wilson of the USC Dornsife School on her life, career, and the best advice she's ever received. "The best kinds of advice that I've gotten over the years has been encouraging, saying, you may make a mistake, you may not do well, but you have value," she said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on Joe Biden's attempts to unify the Democratic Party. He was also quoted by [ABC News](#) about voter turnout.

[San Francisco Chronicle](#) cited research from the National Equity Atlas, which is produced in part by the USC Dornsife College's Equity Research Institute.

August 19, 2020

[Fast Company](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on the benefits of psychological and social support in the workplace.

[MarketWatch](#) cited research by Michael Magill of the USC Dornsife College on how the birth rate affects the stock market.

August 18, 2020

[U.S. News & World Report](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how Democratic voters may coalesce around the shared goal of voting Donald Trump out of office. "The depth of the anti-Trump feeling is quite deep. You can't threaten to deport people's grandmothers and uncles and cousins and not expect there to be some negative reaction," he said.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on conflicts of interest regarding Kamala Harris' husband.

August 17, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on Gov. Gavin Newsom's political aspirations going forward.

[Los Angeles Times](#) highlighted Francille Rusan Wilson of the USC Dornsife College as guest curator for the Natural History Museum's exhibition on the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage.

August 13, 2020

[CNN](#) quoted John Vidale of the USC Dornsife College on how scientists predict earthquakes.

August 12, 2020

[Politico](#) featured Oneka LaBennett of the USC Dornsife College on the racism and sexism that Kamala Harris will face during this presidential campaign. "Black women are keenly aware of how, in both professional and personal arenas, misogyny and systemic racism doggedly intersect as we strive to break through the double-paned glass ceiling of patriarchy and White supremacy," she said.

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College on who Gov. Gavin Newsom might choose to take over Kamala Harris' Senate seat if she were to become vice president. "For Newsom, there's a couple of different things. I think he wants an ally in Washington, D.C., someone he can trust and call on as the governor," he said.

[Smithsonian Magazine](#) featured research by Jan Amend of the USC Dornsife College on deep-sea microbes that exert the least amount of energy possible to survive. "Previous studies of life in the seafloor focused predominantly on who's there, and how much of it is there. Now we're digging deeper into ecological questions: What is it doing, and how fast is it doing it?" he said.

[KPCC-FM](#) interviewed Ange-Marie Hancock Alfaro of the USC Dornsife College and Christina Bellantoni of the USC Annenberg School on Joe Biden choosing Kamala Harris as his running mate.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on what Kamala Harris can bring to the Democratic ticket. He was also interviewed on [Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV](#).

August 11, 2020

[The Hill](#) featured an op-ed by Amber Miller, dean of the USC Dornsife College, on the value in extending a lifeline to the nation's academic research enterprise. "As lawmakers and the Trump administration negotiate the next round of stimulus, it is critical that academic research does not get forgotten. If we don't protect America's most reliable engine for solutions to far-reaching health, environmental, and national security challenges, it could cost America our competitive edge," she wrote.

August 10, 2020

[NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#) featured Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on best practices when choosing a vice president. "First, you want to make sure you don't do any harm. Second, you want to pick someone who can, if they have to, take over the presidency. Third, you want to pick someone, if you can find them, who can help you win the election," he said.

[The Hollywood Reporter](#) featured an op-ed co-authored by Evelyn Alsultany of the USC Dornsife College and a colleague on how Hollywood can better represent Muslim characters and storylines. "True improvement will require new stories, new themes, new ideas and new characters in new contexts," they wrote.

August 7, 2020

[Forbes](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on why businesses can and should contribute to dismantling systemic racism. "Regions that are more equitable, less racially segregated and less politically fragmented are actually able to sustain job growth over time," he said.

[Forbes](#) featured research by Jeremy Burke of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research and colleagues on the rise in educated seniors taking on debt. "Even higher cognitive ability individuals may have difficulty managing their debt burdens in more complex environments," they wrote.

[USA Today](#) quoted Gema Zamorro of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how women have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

August 6, 2020

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on COVID-19 deaths and the estimated number of Americans already grieving. "What we recognized is that mortality is not an individual event. It reflects in family systems. In the news, we're hearing so much about the rising death toll, but what we were interested in doing is trying to enumerate how this actually reflects in families," she said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the spread of the coronavirus among L.A.'s working class. He was also quoted in the [Los Angeles Daily News](#).

[BBC](#) quoted Brian Rathbun of the USC Dornsife College on whether nuclear war can be morally justified.

[The Guardian](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on Hollywood engaging in preemptive self-censorship to appease China.

August 5, 2020

[PBS Los Angeles affiliate KCET-TV](#) featured research by Morgan Polikoff of the USC Rossier School and Anna Saavedra of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how the pandemic is impacting low-income college students of color. "Since 54% of college graduates have been able to limit their exposure to COVID-19 by teleworking during the pandemic, compared to 23% of those with a high school diploma, it's possible the coronavirus has heightened the value of a college degree for both health and economic reasons," Saavedra said. Additional coverage was found on [KNX 1070 AM](#) and [KFI 640 AM](#).

[Variety](#) featured Oneka LaBennett of the USC Dornsife College on Beyoncé's visual album *Black is King*. "[I] think that we can look at her more contemporary evolution, after she comes out as a feminist, after she called out her husband on adultery, there is a Black womanhood that she is now presenting to us full throttle," she said.

[The Hollywood Reporter](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on Hollywood engaging in preemptive self-censorship to appease China.

[Los Angeles Times](#) highlighted the announcement that former WNBA coach Julie Rousseau of the USC Dornsife College will be the chair of the USC Athletics Black Lives Matter Action Team.

July

July 31, 2020

[The Oprah Magazine](#) featured Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and USC Marshall School on how to develop a successful morning routine that includes a workout. "Even though I'm quite addicted

to my elliptical, I find it really boring. So to make the experience more fun and enjoyable, I watch competitive cooking shows while I'm on it," she said.

July 30, 2020

[The San Diego Union-Tribune](#) quoted Alaina Morgan of the USC Dornsife College on today's social uprisings in relation to those of the 1960s.

July 29, 2020

[KPCC-FM](#) interviewed Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on the conversations around removing problematic statues and monuments.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Political Future on whether support from oil and gas interests will hurt Joe Biden's presidential chances.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Alaina Morgan of the USC Dornsife College on today's social uprisings in relation to those of the 1960s.

July 28, 2020

[San Francisco Chronicle](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on Californians like Sen. Kamala Harris or Rep. Karen Bass being Joe Biden's pick for vice president.

July 27, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured William Deverell of the USC Dornsife College on why Los Angeles should memorialize the 1871 massacre in Chinatown. "This notion that we can just assign this to a Wild West past or that it was the 19th century and the rough-and-tumble era of the frontier — it doesn't work," he wrote.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on the perception that the entertainment industry is left-leaning.

[San Francisco Chronicle](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College about what the rest of the country can learn from South L.A.

[Forbes](#) quoted Antonio Damasio of the USC Dornsife College on how emotions can impact logic.

July 24, 2020

[KCRW-FM](#) featured William Deverell of the USC Dornsife College and graduate student Dan Wallace on how reactions to past pandemics mirror the response to COVID-19. "When you get a pandemic disease dropped in on already difficult circumstances, a lot of people are going to reach for the ugliest reflex, and that's to blame a population for a disease that can be spread not by ethnicity or race," Deverell said. He was also quoted in the [Los Angeles Times](#) on the need to reevaluate certain monuments in L.A.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Erin Baggott Carter of the USC Dornsife College on the recent expulsion of a Chinese Communist Party member who was critical of the president.

[BuzzFeed News](#) quoted Jill Darling of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on why California is seeing a COVID-19 spike.

July 23, 2020

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured Adrian De Leon of the USC Dornsife College on the increased COVID-19 risk among Filipino Americans. "I want to urge us to think more about the social fabric of economic and racial and cultural inequality as itself a preexisting condition to the high rates of death among the Filipino American community and certainly other marginalized communities as well," he said.

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College on Sen. Kamala Harris' chances to become Joe Biden's running mate and who Governor Gavin Newsom would appoint in her place as a senator from California. "For Newsom, I think he'd want an ally in Washington, D.C., someone he could call and trust and rely on," he said.

[The Atlantic](#) quoted Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on the estimated number of Americans suffering from pandemic-centric grief.

[Consumer Reports](#) quoted Michael Edge of the USC Dornsife College on privacy concerns regarding genetic data.

[The Atlantic](#) highlighted the National Equity Atlas, which is produced in part by the USC Dornsife College's Equity Research Institute.

July 22, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured Adrian De Leon of the USC Dornsife College on why COVID-19 risk is increased for Filipino Americans. "It's the perfect storm. In terms of exposure to the pandemic, exposure to the virus, but also exposure to a lot of other factors, too — like dense housing tends to be in places that have environmental hazards," he said.

July 21, 2020

[The Today Show](#) featured Ying Liu, research scientist at the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research, on COVID-19-related discrimination against Black, Asian and Latinx people along with discrimination against those who wore masks. "In Western culture, mask wearing is stigmatized. There was also an inconsistent message from the authorities (in the beginning) ... so people were confused," she said, adding that discrimination "has real consequences. This kind of discrimination creates fear."

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured an op-ed coauthored by Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College and a colleague on how Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden can represent a path forward for California's progressives. "California progressives frustrated that Biden won the party's nod will need to understand and embrace their role. Biden might not have been their candidate of choice, but he has the potential to oversee great change with their guidance and support," they wrote.

July 20, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured an op-ed by Steven Ross of the USC Dornsife College that calls on the university to do more to address its history with anti-Semitism. "This is a rare moment of reckoning at USC and across the nation to fully air all kinds of past prejudice, including anti-Semitism, and to excise the demons of our collective past," he wrote.

[Salon](#) and the [Houston Chronicle](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Steven Heilman of the USC Dornsife College on the Electoral College's vulnerability to manipulation. "There is no one best voting method. Every approach has undesirable flaws, but it is clear that when attempting to protect an election from outside influence, the Electoral College is far weaker than a popular vote," he wrote.

[Yahoo News](#) quoted Wendy Wood and Alison Dundes Renteln of the USC Dornsife College on why some Americans are resistant to wearing masks.

[NPR](#) noted that Clifford Johnson of the USC Dornsife College served as a consultant for the new film *Palm Springs*.

July 17, 2020

[ABC News](#) featured research by Ying Liu and Kyla Thomas of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on COVID-19-related discrimination against Black, Asian and Latinx people. "Asians are the first group to have experienced substantial amounts of discrimination, and their rate remains highest, followed by African Americans and Latinos," Liu said.

[U.S. News & World Report](#) (via [HealthDay](#)) featured research by Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on COVID-19 deaths and the estimated number of Americans already grieving. "In just a few short months, over 1 million Americans have experienced an irreplaceable loss that not only leaves them grieving and possibly traumatized but may come with long-lasting health and economic consequences," she said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Linda Chilton of the USC Dornsife College's Sea Grant Program on people harvesting marine mammals from the tidepools in San Pedro.

[The Arizona Republic](#) quoted Ann Crigler of the USC Dornsife College on Sen. Martha McSally using former GOP political operatives in her ads.

July 16, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College on the billions of dollars in proceeds associated with partially repealing Proposition 13.

July 15, 2020

[CBS News](#) featured research by Gema Zamorro of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how women have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic in unemployment and increased child care duties. "I was not surprised to see that women were doing more of the care. Once women leave the workforce, it's very hard to go back," she said.

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) featured Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on how another school year of virtual learning will impact families, especially working mothers. "We are seeing consequences disproportionality falling on women. Women are leaving the workforce in much higher numbers than men are," she said.

[KCRW-FM](#) interviewed Daphna Oyserman of the USC Dornsife College on why people are tiring of physical distancing.

July 14, 2020

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) featured research by Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on pandemic-centric grief and the estimated number of Americans already suffering from the loss of a loved one. "Just in a mere four months, already an estimated 1.22 million Americans have lost a close relative," she said. Additional coverage was found via [The Sacramento Bee](#), [KNX 1070 AM](#) and [KFI 640 AM](#).

[Fast Company](#) featured an article by Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on the need for schools to be fully funded as they attempt to reopen. "If we want schools to reopen, we'll need new funding to equip staff and teachers with PPE, sanitize classrooms, allow temperature checks, testing, and contact tracing, and improve airflow and ventilation in antiquated school buildings," she wrote.

[Los Angeles Times](#) noted a potential Southern California earthquake scenario envisioned by James Dolan of the USC Dornsife College.

July 13, 2020

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on how people are dealing with pandemic-centric grief. "Each COVID-19 mortality not only reflects a life lost but also numerous others grieving in its wake. My colleagues and I are interested in trying to quantify this, to determine how many Americans have suffered a loss," she said.

[MarketWatch](#) featured Ying Liu, a research scientist at the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research, on COVID-19-related discrimination against Black, Asian and Latinx people. "Though it seems like the trend is trending downward a little bit, still we see a substantial amount of people are still experiencing discrimination now, particularly among racial and ethnic minorities," she said.

[NBC News](#) quoted Brian Finch of the USC Dornsife College on a database led by one man that aims to track every officer-involved killing in the United States.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Philip Ethington of the USC Dornsife College on the history of the San Gabriel Mission.

[Los Angeles Times](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on concerns about California reopening too quickly.

[Los Angeles Times](#) noted that Clifford Johnson of the USC Dornsife College appears in the new film *Palm Springs* and serves as a consultant for Marvel Studios.

July 10, 2020

[Newsweek](#) featured an op-ed by Oneka LaBennett of the USC Dornsife College on Sen. Kamala Harris' Afro-Asian heritage and why it matters more than ever during the coronavirus pandemic. "I see the dire issues facing African Americans and Asians as an all-hands-on-deck moment. While the senator may well be 'comfortable in [her] own skin,' as she has put it, we're now confronting a racial justice clarion call to all those who have (literal) skin in the game," she wrote.

[San Francisco Chronicle](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the qualifications of potential Democratic VP candidate Karen Bass.

July 9, 2020

[Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV](#) featured Ying Liu, research scientist at the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research, on COVID-19-related discrimination against Black, Asian and Latinx people. "When we look at the racial discrepancy, we find a very persistent gap: Asians were the first group to experience discrimination, and the rate remains highest among them," she said. She was also interviewed, along with Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College, on [PBS News San Diego affiliate KPBS-FM](#).

[The New York Times](#) quoted Juan De Lara of the USC Dornsife College on the rise of the logistics industry in the Inland Empire.

July 8, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured university responses to the federal government's new rule on international students, including from professors and students at USC. "I think everyone should be outraged about this. The mission statement of ICE is to protect America from cross-border crime and illegal immigration that threatens national security and public safety. These students do not threaten national security," said Morteza Dehghani of the USC Dornsife College. Additional coverage was found on [ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#), [CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#) and [CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#).

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on COVID-19-related discrimination against Black, Asian and Latino people. "These kinds of experiences were not really new to minority groups in the United States," said research scientist Ying Liu. Additional coverage was found on [KNX 1070 AM](#) and [KCRW-FM](#) and in [United Press International](#).

[The New York Times](#) quoted Gema Zamarro of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how the pandemic could lead to major consequences for women in the labor market.

[Los Angeles Times](#) and [Spectrum News 1](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on mental health during COVID-19 and concerns about California reopening too quickly.

July 7, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how L.A. County residents responded as the economy reopened. According to the research, fewer residents are now reporting psychological distress. In early April, 47% of surveyed residents reported mild, moderate or severe symptoms of psychological distress; as the reopening accelerated, 36% reporting feeling such symptoms. Additional coverage was found on [ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) and [CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#).

[Bloomberg Law](#) featured an op-ed by Nathan Perl-Rosenthal of the USC Gould School and the USC Dornsife College on the issues regarding the legal rule of birthright citizenship. "As the Dreamers' experience shows, birthright citizenship has a dark face. Its inclusiveness towards those born inside the U.S. is mirrored by its exclusion of those born outside of U.S. territory, with sometimes tragic consequences," he wrote.

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) quoted Andrew Lakoff of the USC Dornsife College on why wearing masks became so politicized.

July 6, 2020

[The New York Times](#) featured Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and the USC Marshall School on maintaining new, good habits after big life changes like emerging from lockdown. "Habits are such slow-forming memory traces that they're also very slow to decay. When you are put back in the same context, even if it's been a while, your old habits will be activated," she said.

[KCRW-FM](#) featured Rhacel Parreñas of the USC Dornsife College on how the patronage system in the Philippines can translate into modern-day slavery. "In the Philippines, there is a patronage system in which a wealthy family member brings a much poorer member of their extended family to their household. It's quite common," she said.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Nina Eliasoph of the USC Dornsife College on society's reluctance to change rituals tied to holidays.

July 2, 2020

[The New York Times](#) featured an article by Viet Thanh Nguyen of the USC Dornsife College on the Spike Lee movie *Da 5 Bloods* and how it represents Vietnamese lives and American imperialist viewpoints. "I stand with Black Lives Matter and against anti-Black racism, but still, as I watched the obligatory scene of Vietnamese soldiers getting shot and killed for the thousandth time, I thought: Does it make any difference if politically conscious Black men kill us?" he wrote.

[The Washington Post](#) featured an analysis co-authored by Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College and colleagues on what causes people to favor removing Confederate symbols and monuments. "While Confederate symbols fall across the country, others remain. Arguments citing economic threats change the minds of both Southern elected officials and voters," they wrote.

[The Chronicle of Higher Education](#) highlighted Leslie Berntsen of the USC Dornsife College, who helped redesign an introductory psychology course assignment to focus on race and racism.

June

June 30, 2020

[Time](#) featured an article by Viet Thanh Nguyen of the USC Dornsife College on his experiences with anti-Asian racism in America against the backdrop of Asian American acceptance as a 'model minority.' "Asian Americans are caught between the perception that we are inevitably foreign and the temptation that we can be allied with white people in a country built on white supremacy," he wrote.

June 29, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured William Deverell of the USC Dornsife College, who served as a historical consultant for the new *Perry Mason* television series on HBO. The show uses Angels Flight in downtown L.A. as the setting for its animating event. "Railroads are woven deep into L.A.'s velocity of takeoff, and Angels Flight is an eccentric little node of that," he said.

[The New York Times](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how women have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

June 26, 2020

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) featured an op-ed co-authored by Manuel Pastor and Jody Agius Vallejo of the USC Dornsife College's Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration that calls on universities to take up the cause of immigration reform. "In a liminal moment of change — with society poised between division and inclusion — universities are being called on to adhere to their values and humanistic mission. We hope that USC will fully realize ours," they wrote.

[U.S. News & World Report](#) (via [HealthDay](#)) featured research by Gema Zamarro of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how women have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic in unemployment and increased child care duties. "Considering women already shouldered a greater burden for child care prior to the pandemic, it's unsurprising the demands are now even greater," she said. The center's research was also cited in the [Los Angeles Times](#).

[The Daily Beast](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Alison Dundes Renteln of the USC Dornsife College on the U.S. Supreme Court's pattern of setting aside ideology to address historical injustices. "While this certainly does not happen all the time, it may at least indicate that the U.S. political system can survive the ongoing crises of the 21st century associated with hyperpolarization," she wrote. The analysis was also published in [Yahoo News](#).

[MarketWatch](#) cited a study by Arie Kapteyn of the USC Dornsife College on when to claim Social Security benefits.

June 25, 2020

[BBC](#) featured Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and the USC Marshall School on how the disruption in our routines caused by the pandemic presents an opportunity for a more sustainable lifestyle. "My impassioned appeal to the transit authority is to start opening the streets to scooters, cycles and pedestrians, but so far, they've only agreed to open 20 miles of road, a drop in the ocean of L.A.'s freeways," she said.

June 24, 2020

[MarketWatch](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Alison Dundes Renteln of the USC Dornsife College on the Supreme Court's pattern of setting aside ideology to address historical injustices. "While this certainly does not happen all the time, it may at least indicate that the U.S. political system can survive the ongoing crises of the 21st century associated with hyperpolarization," she wrote. The story was also published in the [Houston Chronicle](#).

June 23, 2020

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) and the [Los Angeles Times](#), in covering the L.A. County press conference on COVID-19, highlighted research from the USC Dornsife College's Center of Economic and Social Research on how residents are responding to the pandemic.

June 22, 2020

[Time](#) featured Alaina Morgan of the USC Dornsife College on the history of Juneteenth and how it was celebrated this year. "What I think it is about is the fact that freedom is contingent and it doesn't come down through simply laws and edicts ... it has to be enforced. It has to be fought for. We're seeing a resurgence of understanding of the fact that freedom, particularly for African Americans, is still precarious," she said.

[CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#) featured research by Gema Zamorro of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how women have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic in terms of unemployment and increased child care duties. "Considering women already shouldered a greater burden for child care prior to the pandemic, it's unsurprising the demands are now even greater," she said.

[Forbes](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on envisioning an equitable economy in the aftermath of COVID-19 and the protests against systemic racism. "The expression I've been using is that COVID-19 is the disease that has been revealing our illness as a society," he said.

[The A.V. Club](#) interviewed Karen Tongson of the USC Dornsife College on LGBTQ people and their favorite action heroes from popular culture.

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) quoted Olu Orange of the USC Dornsife College on the need for accountability among the LAPD.

June 19, 2020

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) featured research by Gema Zamorro of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how women have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic in terms of unemployment and increased child care duties. "Considering women already shouldered a greater burden for child care prior to the pandemic, it's unsurprising the demands are now even greater," she said. Additional coverage was found on [NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#).

[Politico](#) highlighted research by Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how the pandemic is unequally impacting minorities in California.

June 18, 2020

[NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#) featured Alaina Morgan of the USC Dornsife College about the history of Juneteenth. "Enslaved people were operating under the assumption that they were still enslaved. Enslaved people in Texas were free for two and a half years, by law, and yet had still been working at that time," she said.

[MarketWatch](#) quoted Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and the USC Marshall School on how COVID-19 is affecting our money habits.

June 16, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) featured an analysis co-authored by Kelebogile Zvobgo, PhD student at the USC Dornsife College, on the International Criminal Court's investigation into alleged war crimes in Afghanistan. "In the U.S. court of public opinion, Trump's strategy may not stoke antagonism toward the ICC. Our research indicates most Americans support the ICC and are concerned about U.S. world leadership and human rights," they wrote.

[MarketWatch](#) featured an op-ed co-authored by Angus Deaton, Presidential Professor at the USC Dornsife College, on the widening inequality gap in the United States. "Educated Americans are pulling away from the less-educated majority not only in terms of income but also in health outcomes. Pain, loneliness and disability have become more common among those without a degree," they wrote.

[CNN](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on California's recent efforts to roll back discriminatory legislation from the 1990s. "The '90s were the decade of racial propositions. And there's been a pretty consistent reassessment since then," he said.

June 15, 2020

[The Christian Science Monitor](#) quoted Alaina Morgan of the USC Dornsife College on Black-owned bookstores and how literature can influence the public.

June 12, 2020

[The Hill](#) featured an op-ed by Gregory Treverton of the USC Dornsife College on leaders and experts being pressured to make political and economic predictions. "In this pandemic, like any crisis, people want answers from their leaders, not questions. Yet providing answers for the future now is folly, for the uncertainty is enormous; everything depends," he wrote.

[The Nation](#) featured an article by Nathan Perl-Rosenthal of the USC Dornsife College on the origins of birthright politics. "Like the idea of race to which it is sometimes opposed, the birthright principle works through inheritance, passing status from parent to child as if it were an innate quality in a bloodline," he wrote.

June 11, 2020

[La Opinión](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how COVID-19 initially spread among affluent communities before disproportionately impacting poorer ones. "As time has passed, cases have increased dramatically in the poorest neighborhoods and also in the neighborhoods with the highest percentage of people of color," he said.

June 10, 2020

[Yahoo News](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by April Thames of the USC Dornsife College on how racism can shorten lives and negatively impact health. "I believe racism and discrimination should be treated as a health risk factor, just like smoking. It is toxic to health by damaging the natural defenses our bodies use to fight off infection and disease," she wrote.

[KPCC-FM](#) interviewed Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how the economic rehab from COVID-19 should be a reimagining of Los Angeles, not just a recovery.

[Bloomberg](#) cited a USC Dornsife College study on raising property taxes to cover funding lost to COVID-19.

[U.S. News & World](#)

[Report](#) quoted Kenneth Geller

of the USC Dornsife College and the Keck School of Medicine on the value of a health science degree.

June 9, 2020

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how recent peaceful protests could lead to real change. "My advice is for us to not lose sight of the fact that this is a moment in which an entire system of systemic inequality is being revealed, and we need to begin to tackle it with our hearts and with our heads," he said.

[The Washington Post](#) featured an op-ed co-authored by Kelebogile Zvobgo, a PhD candidate at the USC Dornsife College, on proposals to establish truth commissions that would address institutional and systemic racism in America. "It's not enough for the United States to learn about the past; the critical next step for the country would be to act on what it learns," they wrote.

June 8, 2020

[Univision News](#) featured Jody Armour of the USC Gould School on the history of protests and pushback against structural racism in America. "What we are seeing is the culmination of 400 years of oppression and resistance," he said. The story also quoted Francille Rusan Wilson of the USC Dornsife College. Armour was also quoted in [The New York Times](#), [The Washington Post](#), the [Los Angeles Times](#), [The Boston Globe](#) and interviewed on [NBC Los Angeles](#) and [KQED-FM](#).

[KPCC-FM](#) featured research from Daniel Bennett of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research and colleagues on the rise and then the decline of anxiety and depression rates amid the COVID-19 pandemic. "It seems like a lot of the poor mental health is related to the economic shock that we've experienced," he said.

June 5, 2020

[NBC News Los Angeles affiliate KNBC-TV](#) featured research from Daniel Bennett of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research and colleagues on the rise and then the decline of anxiety and depression rates amid the COVID-19 pandemic. "Since [early April], the pandemic caused a lot of destruction, but the changes to the daily lives of many Americans have been less extreme," he said. Additional coverage was found in [United Press International](#), [KNX 1070 AM](#) and [HealthDay](#).

[Los Angeles Sentinel](#) published a statement co-authored by Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the decision to trim the Los Angeles Police Department budget and the need for further steps to be taken.

June 4, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured an op-ed by John Murray of the USC Dornsife College on the online learning component of USC's fall plan, arguing it diminishes the effectiveness of instructors and the learning environment. "Technology is the great inhibitor, making class interactions feel more performative instead of being a free-flowing exchange of ideas among equals," he wrote.

[The New York Times](#) featured an op-ed by Erin Baggott Carter and Brett Carter of the USC Dornsife College on the legacy of the Tiananmen Square protests in China. "The legacy of Tiananmen, like that of other protests before it and since, lives on. Contestation persists in mainland China, if cautiously and in code," they wrote.

[The Atlantic](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on income inequality in major American cities.

June 3, 2020

[PBS Los Angeles affiliate KCET-TV](#) featured George Sanchez of the USC Dornsife College on the circumstances that led to the 1992 civil uprising in Los Angeles. "Injustice can provoke African American rage, not only against white authority but against 'racialized others'," he said.

June 1, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Wayne Sandholtz of the USC Dornsife College on President Trump's false claims about fraudulent voting by mail.

May

May 29, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how many neighborhoods suffering from COVID-19 tend to have large immigrant populations.

May 28, 2020

[LAist](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on how soon-to-be parents are coping during the pandemic. She was also interviewed on [KPCC-FM](#).

May 27, 2020

[Fast Company](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Sean Donahue of the USC Dornsife College on why we need to maintain our collective memory of our response to COVID-19. "Future generations deserve to be in the best position possible to deal with the next inevitable pandemic. This preparation includes regular reminders about what happened in 2020," he wrote.

[The Hill](#) featured Gregory Treverton of the USC Dornsife College on the U.S. response to the coronavirus. "In terms of needless loss of American lives, this, I think, is going to rank as the biggest government failure in the history of the republic," he said.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on reimagining a more equitable and sustainable economy in California. He was also interviewed on [KCRW-FM](#).

[Smithsonian Magazine](#) quoted John Vidale of the USC Dornsife College on the seismic activity under the Mauna Kea volcano.

May 26, 2020

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how Los Angeles workers have been hit harder by COVID-19 than others throughout the country. "Los Angeles has a very large part of the labor force working in the entertainment industry and in the service sector, and that's the sector that's been hit hardest of all nationwide," he said. Additional coverage was found on [Spectrum News 1](#) and in the [Los Angeles Daily News](#).

[The New York Times](#) featured a review of the book *Stealth: The Secret Contest to Invent Invisible Aircraft* by Peter Westwick of the USC Dornsife College. "Westwick argues that it was no accident that the two companies charged with developing the first stealthy aircraft were both located in the Los Angeles area, which he describes as having a looser, more creative culture than much of the rest of the country," they wrote.

[NPR](#) featured an article by Karen Tongson of the USC Dornsife College on the legacy of folk rock music duo The Indigo Girls. "Generations of guitar-strumming camp counselors and rootsy stoners of all ages and genders, as well as the global Sapphists who loved them from the beginning, have sung along to the Indigo Girls' expansive songbook by heart," she wrote.

[Seattle Post-Intelligencer](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Sean Donahue of the USC Dornsife College on why we need to maintain our collective memory of how we responded to COVID-19. "Future generations deserve to be in the best position possible to deal with the next inevitable pandemic. This preparation includes regular reminders about what happened in 2020," he wrote.

[Houston Chronicle](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Joshua Aizenman of the USC Dornsife College on the countries with large vulnerable populations that benefited from fast, strict responses to COVID-19. "Countries still need more and better-quality data to sharpen their understating of the pandemic's dynamics and the role public policies play," he wrote.

[NPR Phoenix affiliate KJZZ-FM](#) featured Peter Mancall of the USC Dornsife College on how, throughout the past, the economy was valued over saving lives. "History can teach us that we have to really think about, what are the risks that we're facing? What are the conditions that we're putting people in? And is it always worth it to do it?" he said.

[The Wall Street Journal](#) highlighted research by Christian Grose of the USC Dornsife College into an association between top-two primaries and more moderate candidates.

[CNBC](#) cited a study from John McArdle of the USC Dornsife College on wealthy students earning higher SAT scores.

[L.A. Taco](#) quoted Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on the bubonic plague coming to Los Angeles in 1924.

May 21, 2020

[Chicago Tribune](#) quoted Christopher Hawthorne of the USC Dornsife College on the visual power of the movie *Blade Runner*.

May 18, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) reviewed the new book *Telephone* by Percival Everett of the USC Dornsife College, which was released as three versions with three different endings.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Aro Velmet of the USC Dornsife College on the legacy of virologist Louis Pasteur.

May 15, 2020

[Politico](#) featured an op-ed co-authored by Jacob Soll of the USC Dornsife College on how the European Union is undermining its democracies while funding its autocracies. "If the EU wants to come out the other side of this pandemic stronger and more united, its leaders urgently need to reverse course and show more solidarity with those struggling most to cope with the consequences of COVID-19 while standing up to the autocrats it has been appeasing," they wrote.

[Voice of America](#) quoted Aro Velmet of the USC Dornsife College on the Pasteur Institute's troublesome history in French colonies.

May 13, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on broadband internet and computer access in low-income households.

[The Washington Post](#) highlighted a book by Andrew McConnell Stott of the USC Dornsife College as valuable for theater buffs.

[CALmatters](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College into the value of a California ballot initiative that will tax commercial and industrial properties.

[The Japan Times](#) noted David Kang of the USC Dornsife College and his research into how Asian countries historically respond to China.

May 11, 2020

[LAist](#) cited research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how the coronavirus is affecting residents of L.A. County.

May 8, 2020

[NBC News](#) featured Percival Everett of the USC Dornsife College on his new book *Telephone*, which will have three versions with three different endings. "I wouldn't write at all if people didn't read things that I never imagined. People ask me all the time, 'Did you mean this by this book?' and I always say yes, because that sounds good to me," he said.

May 7, 2020

[The Philadelphia Inquirer](#) featured Amy Meyerson of the USC Dornsife College on her new book *The Imperfects*. "I'm really interested in this idea of what you can discover about the past, based on what's left behind. And I like in my books being able to allow the characters to discover more than I've been able to discover about my own family. I think it primarily comes from this place of regret," she said.

[NBC News](#) quoted Jonas Kaplan of the USC Dornsife College on President Trump's decision to not wear a mask during public appearances.

[The Chronicle of Higher Education](#) highlighted Kate Flint of the USC Dornsife College, who was recently named a Guggenheim fellow.

May 6, 2020

[Yahoo News](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Cavan Concannon of the USC Dornsife College on what early Christian communities can tell us about giving financial aid during crises. "Some of the earliest Christian texts, written in the first and second centuries A.D., even before the time of Dionysios, show evidence for the pooling of economic resources," he wrote.

[Inside Higher Ed's "Academic Minute"](#) interviewed Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on how breast milk can affect a baby's sleep schedule.

[NBC News](#) quoted Jonas Kaplan of the USC Dornsife College on why certain groups of Americans do not want to wear masks during the pandemic.

May 5, 2020

[The Daily Beast](#) featured Mark Letteney, a postdoctoral fellow at the USC Dornsife College, and his archaeological discoveries at Bethlehem's Pools of Solomon. "We were not prepared for what we found when we entered. The complex inside of the dam is magnificent. It is enormous — a 50 foot vaulted passage leads into a vaulted room 20 feet on each side, with 20 foot ceilings," he said.

[The Washington Post](#) featured research from Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on child death in sub-Saharan African countries. "In the shadows of the high child mortality rates are millions of grieving mothers who bear the personal, social and marital costs of a child's death," she wrote.

[Yahoo News](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Andrew Lakoff of the USC Dornsife College on how the World Health Organization has handled health emergencies like COVID-19. "As the world confronts the coronavirus pandemic, the agency finds itself again under a storm of criticism, now with its very financial survival under threat," he wrote.

May 4, 2020

[The New York Times](#) featured Percival Everett of the USC Dornsife College on his new book *Telephone*, which will have three versions with three different endings. "I'm interested not in the authority of the artist, but the authority of the reader. I certainly know that many people will not see what I saw. And many people will see different things from each other. That's the thrilling thing about making it," he said.

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) featured an op-ed co-written by Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on why California should expand tax credit eligibility to undocumented immigrants. "It's been a consistent message to our immigrant residents: We will take your money and utilize your services but you are not worthy of our support," they wrote. He was also quoted in [Fast Company](#) on being named to California's recovery task force.

May 1, 2020

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) featured research from the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how parents and students have responded to online education during the COVID-19 pandemic. "Districts, schools and teachers had so little time to switch from in-person to distance learning. As students remain at home for the rest of the school year, we are concerned about and will track factors that could exacerbate existing economic, racial and gender-based inequalities," said

research scientist Anna Saavedra. Additional coverage was found in the [Atlanta Journal-Constitution](#), [Patch](#), [KNX 1070 AM](#), [KFI 640 AM](#) and [Inside Higher Ed](#).

[Insider](#) featured research from Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on how many Americans might lose a parent or grandparent to the pandemic. "As we are all fixated on what this pandemic will mean in terms of the total lives lost, it is important to keep in mind that this number will feel far more pervasive because each life will leave multiple grieving," she said.

April

April 30, 2020

[Houston Chronicle](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on child death in sub-Saharan African countries. "Our study illustrates the pressing need to understand the mother's experience of child death and incorporate grief into a country's public health considerations," she wrote.

April 28, 2020

[USA Today](#) featured Sara Sligar, a postdoctoral fellow at the USC Dornsife College, and her debut novel *Take Me Apart*. "Clearly an uprising new novelist, Sligar writes narrative that's more absorbing than compelling: You can put this book down, just not for long," they wrote.

April 24, 2020

[The New York Times](#) (via [The Associated Press](#)) cited research by the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how the coronavirus is affecting residents of L.A. County, including an estimated 1.3 million people losing their jobs.

April 23, 2020

[CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#) featured research by the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how the coronavirus is affecting residents of L.A. County, including an estimated 1.3 million people losing their jobs already.

April 22, 2020

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) featured Kyla Thomas of the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on their ongoing survey on the coronavirus, how it's perceived and its impact on our mental health. "Since mid-March, when we conducted our first survey, we found a dramatic increase in symptoms of mild to severe anxiety and depression," she said.

[Le Monde](#) featured Andrew Lakoff of the USC Dornsife College on how the United States prepared for a potential pandemic. "The U.S. is a very decentralized federation. Each state, each county, each city can have its own autonomous health system. To prepare the country for an event of this magnitude, Washington sought to strengthen coordination between the various actors in public health," he said.

April 21, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Mark Marino of the USC Dornsife College on how it can be fun and creative to prepare for video calls.

April 20, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured research by the USC Dornsife College's Center for Economic and Social Research on how the coronavirus is affecting residents of L.A. County, including an estimated 1.3 million people losing their jobs already. "Under normal circumstances losing a job without access to benefits would be bad enough, but in the current situation, chances of finding a new job are likely to be close to nonexistent," said Arie Kapteyn, director of the center. Additional coverage was found in the [Los Angeles Daily News](#), [Forbes](#), [ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#), [CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#), [Univision Los Angeles affiliate KMEX-TV](#), the [Los Angeles Business Journal](#), [LAist](#) and [Yahoo News](#).

[The Chronicle of Higher Education](#) featured research by Angus Deaton, Presidential Professor at the USC Dornsife College, on how a lack of college degree in the U.S. can lead to a distinct increase in hardships and ultimately death. "People have been saying for years that the German system would be good here ... but somehow it never happens. And I don't know what the institutional blocks to that are," he said.

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College about the blame game being played by China and President Donald Trump in regard to the spread of COVID-19.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on advice for new parents, including lowering both your standards and your expectations.

April 17, 2020

[KCRW-FM](#) quoted William Deverell of the USC Dornsife College on California's history of partnering with other Pacific Coast states.

April 16, 2020

[Good Morning America](#) featured Tok Thompson of the USC Dornsife College on how the bunny became the symbol of the Easter holiday. "It probably began primarily with German immigrants, who were also very involved in the chocolate industry. Gradually, in America, [the holiday] just became associated with the bunny, whereas in Europe, it's very clearly the hare," he said.

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on how romantic relationships will survive the coronavirus pandemic. "For couples who are struggling or don't communicate as well or don't share the same values, this situation is going to drive a wedge or exacerbate whatever tension is already there," she said.

April 15, 2020

[Vox](#) featured Andrew Lakoff of the USC Dornsife College on why the Strategic National Stockpile wasn't prepared for the COVID-19 pandemic. "It's really a terrible situation and I would say that question goes beyond the stockpile per se and it's much more broadly about what role the federal government can and should play in an emergency situation," he said.

[The Washington Post](#) featured an op-ed co-written by Abraham Lowenthal, professor emeritus at the USC Dornsife College, on the U.S. State Department's Venezuela plan. "While people in the United States and around the world focus sharply on confronting the coronavirus pandemic, Venezuela's disastrous decline continues to intensify," they wrote.

[Inside Higher Ed's "Academic Minute"](#) interviewed April Thames of the USC Dornsife College on why racism can be bad for a person's health.

April 14, 2020

[The New York Times](#) featured an op-ed co-written by Angus Deaton, Presidential Professor at the USC Dornsife College, on the issues with American health care. "The American health care industry is not good at promoting health, but it excels at taking money from all of us for its benefit. It is an engine of inequality," they wrote. They had an additional op-ed featured in [NBC News](#) on the failures of American capitalism.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and the USC Marshall School on how to develop good habits during the pandemic.

[The New York Times](#) quoted William Deverell of the USC Dornsife College on California's past as a unique, independent state.

April 10, 2020

[Univision News](#) featured research from Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on how many Americans might lose a parent or grandparent to the pandemic. "The United States is about to experience an unprecedented loss of life. Even though it is very difficult to predict how many people we will lose to COVID-19, we wanted to shed light on the collateral damage this will have on families," she said. She was also quoted in [The Wall Street Journal](#).

April 9, 2020

[PBS NewsHour](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary from Adrian De Leon of the USC Dornsife College on the long history of U.S. racism against Asian Americans. "In the United States, Asian Americans have long been considered as a threat to a nation that promoted a whites-only immigration policy," he wrote. The story was also published in [SFGate](#) and the [Houston Chronicle](#).

[U.S. News & World Report](#) (via [HealthDay](#)) featured research by Emily Smith-Greenaway of the USC Dornsife College on how many Americans might lose a parent or grandparent to the pandemic. "This will be a mortality shock that the U.S. has never experienced," she said.

[The Wall Street Journal](#) quoted Andrew Lakoff of the USC Dornsife College on why it is very difficult to prepare for a pandemic without living through one.

April 8, 2020

[Foreign Policy](#) quoted Andrew Lakoff of the USC Dornsife College on the pessimistic results of a 2001 simulation of an uncontrolled public health crisis. He was also quoted in [The Globe and Mail](#) on the World Health Organization.

April 7, 2020

[KPCC-FM's "Take Two"](#) interviewed Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on new data that shows how older people of color and others living on the margins of society will suffer far more during the coronavirus pandemic.

March

March 31, 2020

[Houston Chronicle](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Cavan Concannon of the USC Dornsife College on what early Christian communities can tell us about giving financial aid at a time of crises. "Some of the earliest Christian texts, written in the first and second centuries A.D., even before the time of Dionysios, show evidence for the pooling of economic resources," he wrote.

March 30, 2020

[NBC LX](#) interviewed Jerry Jellison of the USC Dornsife College on how Americans can adapt to social isolation. "Instead of changing beliefs and attitudes, I focus on changing behavior. Invariably, you start to have some positive experiences," he said.

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) quoted Sarah Portnoy of the USC Dornsife College on the need to get COVID-19 information to the working poor.

[The Guardian](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on how politics are shaping statewide responses to COVID-19.

March 27, 2020

[ABC News Los Angeles affiliate KABC-TV](#) featured a donation of protective masks and goggles from the USC Viterbi/Dornsife Machine Shop to Keck Medicine of USC for health care workers treating COVID-19 patients.

March 26, 2020

[Yahoo News](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Wändi Bruine de Bruin of the USC Price School and Daniel Bennett and Anya Samek of the USC Dornsife College on how Americans are changing their behavior during the COVID-19 pandemic. "Our survey captured an interesting time of rapid change during the early days of this pandemic. It showed that there is a large variation in how likely people think they are to get the coronavirus. But we also found that the vast majority of people are stepping up their protective actions," they wrote.

March 25, 2020

[The New York Times](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on concerns about children who might be maltreated while sheltering in place.

March 23, 2020

[The New York Times](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on the increased demand on women at home during the pandemic.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted April Thames of the USC Dornsife College on why some people may be vulnerable to scams related to the coronavirus.

[Time](#) quoted Nayan Shah of the USC Dornsife College on how fear drives people to blame others for events outside of their control.

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) quoted Sarah Portnoy of the USC Dornsife College on the need to get COVID-19 information to the working poor.

March 20, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Daniel Bennett of the USC Dornsife College on research into how U.S. residents are responding to the coronavirus outbreak.

[Univision Los Angeles affiliate KMEX-TV](#) interviewed Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the federal government's proposed stimulus package.

[PolitiFact](#) quoted Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on the need to focus on COVID-19, not on ethnicity or racial differences.

[The Wall Street Journal](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on why clutter can be frustrating during stressful times.

March 19, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) featured an analysis by Nicholas Napolio, a USC Dornsife College graduate student, on the CDC's non-partisan distribution of emergency coronavirus funding. "I find no evidence that the CDC preferred those states most important to Trump's reelection. Instead, the CDC — as a collection of technically sophisticated professionals — allocated money largely based on state population," he wrote.

[U.S. News & World Report](#) (via [HealthDay](#)) featured research from Ashlesha Datar of the USC Dornsife College on obesity becoming potentially contagious among teens. "Teens who were located in counties with higher obesity rates were more likely to choose a figure that reflected a larger body size, compared to teens who were located in counties with lower obesity rates," she said.

[CBS News Boston affiliate WBZ-TV](#) featured research from Daniel Bennett of the USC Dornsife College and Wändi Bruine de Bruin of the USC Price School on the changes people are making in their lives in response to coronavirus.

[Vox](#) quoted Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on why the discourse around disease is often linked to unsubstantiated fears of immigrants.

March 17, 2020

[The Mercury News](#) featured research from Daniel Bennett of the USC Dornsife College and Wändi Bruine de Bruin of the USC Price School on the changes people are making in their lives in response to the coronavirus pandemic. "A majority of people are mobilizing. People are taking action, but we could be doing more," Bennett said. Additional coverage was found in [The Orange County Register](#), [United Press International](#), [Yahoo News](#) and [WebMD](#).

March 16, 2020

[ABC News](#) featured Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on how a backlash against Asians could hinder our efforts to contain coronavirus. "The idea that this disease is mapped onto certain countries and not others is one key way in which we are going to hinder our ways of containing this disease," she said.

[Inside Higher Ed](#) featured an article by Brianna Beehler, a PhD student at the USC Dornsife College, and Devin Griffiths, a professor at the college, on their experience transitioning an in-person conference to an online format. "The most important thing is to protect the health of conference goers and presenters. That requires closely following the advice of institutional health officers, regional health authorities and, for larger conferences, national guidance for travel," they wrote.

[CBS News Los Angeles affiliate KCBS-TV](#) featured a new study from Daniel Bennett of the USC Dornsife College and Wändi Bruine de Bruin of the USC Price School that evaluated changes people are making in their lives in response to the coronavirus. The survey found that 85% of people have been washing their hands or using hand sanitizer more frequently.

[CNN](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of the USC Dornsife College on how parents can manage the additional emotional labor brought on by coronavirus.

March 11, 2020

[The New York Times](#) featured research from David Raichlen of the USC Dornsife College on why squatting and kneeling are better for your health than sitting. "Basically, what this study underscores is that most of us need to rethink the amount of time we rest with little muscle activity," he said.

[KCRW-FM's "Press Play"](#) interviewed Norbert Schwarz of the USC Dornsife College on how fear and anxiety are driving people's behaviors in response to coronavirus concerns. "Calm down. Watch a little bit less news about the sensational moments of the coronavirus. And spend your time actually preparing and keeping things under control," he said.

March 10, 2020

[U.S. News & World Report](#) featured research from David Raichlen of the USC Dornsife College on why squatting and kneeling are better for your health than sitting. "If you don't grow up squatting throughout the day, it's probably not a good idea to start now, but it's a good idea to find ways to get more muscle activity. Get up more often," he said. Additional coverage was found in [The Daily Mail](#) and [HealthDay](#).

March 9, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) featured an op-ed by Kelebogile Zvobgo, PhD candidate at the USC Dornsife College, on why the International Criminal Court will investigate alleged U.S. war crimes in Afghanistan over protests by President Trump's administration. "My research indicates that unlike the administration, ordinary citizens are more concerned about the ICC's fairness and competence — and less concerned about whether U.S. personnel may be investigated," she wrote.

[The Irish Times](#) featured Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and the USC Marshall School on the best ways to form new habits, including reducing friction, something marketers already do very well. "We're just very influenced by how things are organized around us in ways that marketers understand and are exploiting but people don't exploit and understand in their own lives," she said.

[Vox](#) quoted Natalia Molina of the USC Dornsife College on why pandemics like the coronavirus activate xenophobia.

[Marketplace](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of the USC Dornsife College on how coronavirus is impacting the Chinese film market.

[Forbes](#) quoted Jorge Barraza of the USC Dornsife College on what drives people to make certain purchases.

[The Seattle Times](#) quoted David Carter of the USC Marshall School on how sports teams are responding to the coronavirus outbreak.

[STAT](#) quoted Wendy Wood of the USC Dornsife College and the USC Marshall School on how people can break the habit of touching their faces.

[The Wall Street Journal](#) cited a USC Dornsife College/L.A. Times poll in which respondents said a white male was the most likely candidate to defeat Donald Trump.

March 6, 2020

[NBC News](#) cited a USC Dornsife College/L.A. Times poll in which respondents noted a white male was the most likely candidate to defeat Donald Trump.

March 5, 2020

[KCRW-FM's "Press Play"](#) interviewed Manuel Pastor of the USC Dornsife College on the power of the Latino vote in the Democratic primary and how California will shape the general election. He was also quoted on [KQED-FM](#).

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Jane Junn of the USC Dornsife College and Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on if sexism contributed to Bernie Sanders outperforming Elizabeth Warren in the Democratic primary.

March 4, 2020

[Vox](#) featured Natalia Molina of USC Dornsife on why pandemics like the coronavirus activate xenophobia. "It's not surprising that our ideas about race define who we think of as disease carriers, who we think is more susceptible to the disease or which borders we think we should close. We can't help but see these problems through the lens of race," she said.

[MSNBC](#) featured Robert Shrum of USC Dornsife Center for the Political Future on the early results of Super Tuesday primary voting. "I've never seen anything like this in my whole life in politics. The last 48 hours transformed everything," he said. He was also quoted in [Vox](#).

[CW News Los Angeles affiliate KTLA-TV](#) featured Jane Junn of USC Dornsife on the early results of Super Tuesday primary voting. "The moderate voters and their candidates are winning the day, even despite the fact that [Bernie] Sanders as a single candidate has 29%," she said.

[NBC News](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of USC Dornsife on the economic impact of China closing movie theaters.

March 2, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) quoted Elisabeth Sedano of USC Dornsife on how Google is redrawing the borders on its maps depending on who is looking.

February

February 28, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of USC Dornsife on how the coronavirus will impact the entertainment industry.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Norbert Schwarz of USC Dornsife and the USC Marshall School on the value of naming things.

February 26, 2020

[Business Insider](#) featured Daniel Bennett of USC Dornsife on how outbreaks of novel viruses can create a vacuum of information. "In these outbreaks, these sort of things that don't happen regularly, we don't know about the spread or how infectious it is. And so, when that happens, there's this kind of vacuum where we don't have enough information from official sources or objective scientific sources," he said.

February 25, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Skyler Reidy, PhD candidate at USC Dornsife, on the history behind Mt. Disappointment.

February 24, 2020

[MyNewsLA](#) highlighted Manual Pastor of USC Dornsife being named to Gov. Gavin Newsom's Council of Economic Advisors.

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) and [Fox News Los Angeles affiliate KTTV-TV](#) highlighted the first in a series of town halls, cohosted by USC Dornsife's Center for the Political Future and KTTV-TV, featuring Democratic presidential candidate Pete Buttigieg.

[San Francisco Chronicle](#) quoted David Ulin of USC Dornsife on L.A.'s literary heritage.

February 21, 2020

[Yahoo News](#) quoted Greg Treverton of USC Dornsife on Chinese secrecy making it difficult to get information on the coronavirus outbreak.

February 20, 2020

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) featured a new study from USC Dornsife's Center for Economic and Social Research on how Angelenos continue to prefer private cars over public transportation, in part because of safety concerns. "It's fascinating that people believe they are safer in cars than in public transit. That's simply false," said Wendy Wood of USC Dornsife and the USC Marshall School. Additional coverage was found in [LAist](#) and [Patch](#). [KPCC-FM "Take Two"](#) also interviewed Kyla Thomas of USC Dornsife on the poll's findings.

[Forbes](#) featured research from Noah Malmstadt of the USC Viterbi School of Engineering and chemists from USC Dornsife on a cheaper, more sustainable way to make nanocatalysts that could pave the way

for carbon-neutral fuel. "The catalyst provides a surface for the chemicals to stick to. Nanoparticles are all surface," Malmstadt said.

February 19, 2020

[Wired](#) featured research from Noah Malmstadt of the USC Viterbi School and chemists from USC Dornsife on cheap nanoparticles that could pave the way for carbon-neutral fuel. "The sustainable production of catalysts has been a major bottleneck. Nanoparticle catalysts are very promising, and the ability to produce them sustainably at scale is something we've really pioneered," Malmstadt said.

February 18, 2020

[USA Today](#) featured an op-ed by Manuel Pastor of USC Dornsife on what can be learned from the changing demographics in Nevada. "Nevada, which has been trending blue in recent elections, shows Democrats how to actually beat Trump and win, in states and nationally: Take advantage of demographic shifts, couple that with authentic on-the-ground organizing, and stress bread-and-butter issues," he wrote.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Wendy Wood of USC Dornsife and the USC Marshall School on how to develop healthy habits.

[The Guardian](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on the unlikelihood that Joe Biden will recover and win the Democratic nomination.

February 14, 2020

[Spectrum News 1](#) featured Morteza Dehghani of USC Dornsife on his research into how and where liberals and conservatives respond physically to moral outrage. "Emotions play an important role in our decision-making, and we've known this for the past 30 years or so. Even basic emotions completely change the way we view circumstances. We embody and think about those emotions, and consequently make different decisions based on what emotions we feel and how we feel them," he said.

[The Washington Post](#) quoted Elisabeth Sedano of USC Dornsife on how Google is redrawing borders at the request of government officials.

February 13, 2020

[Parents Magazine](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of USC Dornsife on gender-neutral parenting.

February 12, 2020

[The New York Post](#) featured Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on Joe Biden's collapse in the early Democratic primaries, which was punctuated by the former vice president leaving New Hampshire early. "It's never a good sign when you leave a primary before the results are in. It's probably not a good message to people who might be inclined to vote for him, but on the other hand, [Biden's team was] anticipating a mediocre result," he said.

February 11, 2020

[El País](#) featured research from Emily Smith-Greenaway of USC Dornsife on the percentage of mothers living in sub-Saharan Africa who have lost a child. "We wanted to show that these mortality rates condition the way women face maternity," she said.

[Forbes](#) quoted Nina Eliasoph of USC Dornsife on the benefits of becoming politically active.

February 10, 2020

[Los Angeles Daily News](#) featured an op-ed cowritten by Manuel Pastor of USC Dornsife on the need for Los Angeles to better integrate immigrants into its many communities. "Having gotten past our own worst moments, it's time for California and Los Angeles to show the rest of the nation how to move past fear, embrace inclusion and build a better future for immigrants and the native-born alike," they wrote.

[Next Avenue](#) featured Nina Eliasoph of USC Dornsife on the benefits of becoming politically active. "One of the most amazing blessings of the growth of political activism lately is that people are getting to break out of their isolation and find people who can be 'friends' in the way the classical Greeks meant: people who enjoy each other's company while encouraging each other to become a better human being," she said.

February 7, 2020

[The New York Times](#) featured Dana Johnson of USC Dornsife on the work and legacy of black historian Delilah L. Beasley. "She was the person who did all this work by herself with no formal training as a historian. The irony was that someone who concerned herself with making sure African-Americans in this country were not erased from history was herself erased from the historical narrative," she said.

[Politico](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of USC Dornsife on how New York can learn from California in resisting President Trump's policies.

February 6, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on the newly frayed argument that Joe Biden is the most electable Democrat.

February 4, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Darry Sragow of USC Dornsife on when it makes sense to delay sending back your vote-by-mail ballot.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Nayan Shah of USC Dornsife on how coronavirus fears tap into existing racial prejudices.

[Patch](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on the results of the recent USC Dornsife/L.A. Times poll.

February 3, 2020

[The Hill](#) featured an op-ed co-written by Gregory Treverton of USC Dornsife on the rise of tech giants as independent geopolitical forces. "We should remember that governments and corporations are

creatures of public permission and we — the public — choose the rules that govern their behavior. Instead of remaining a bystander as technology evolves and leads us, we could take control and seize its power to re-imagine a new global architecture attuned to the challenges of the 21st century," they wrote.

[Los Angeles Times](#) cited research from USC Dornsife on how many Californians recognized Rep. Adam Schiff's name.

January

January 31, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured the results of the latest L.A. Times/USC Dornsife poll, which indicated that Joe Biden remains the Democratic favorite. "If he could win Iowa, he would have a pretty good path to the nomination. But if he loses Iowa or performs poorly there, will these [national] numbers change, or are they a firewall?" said Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on Michael Bloomberg's chances to receive the Democratic nomination.

January 30, 2020

[The Washington Post](#) featured commentary from Evelyn Alsultany of USC Dornsife on how Islamophobia in the United States did not start with Donald Trump. "As a scholar of the history of representations of Arabs and Muslims in the U.S. media, I argue that Trump's tweets play into a long history of equating Arabs, Muslims and Iranians with terrorism and anti-Americanism," she wrote.

[The Wall Street Journal](#) featured the new book *Stealth* by Peter Westwick of USC Dornsife, which covers the history of radar and stealth technology as developed by defense contractors Lockheed and Northrop. "As Mr. Westwick notes, the main motivation for many of the engineers was not to defeat the Soviet Union but rather to triumph over their crosstown rivals, stoked by competitions that the Pentagon would run between the two firms," they wrote.

[Popular Mechanics](#) quoted Francis Bonahon of USC Dornsife on how to solve a particular triangle brain teaser.

January 29, 2020

[SFGate](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Evelyn Alsultany of USC Dornsife on how Islamophobia in the United States did not start with Donald Trump. "As a scholar of the history of representations of Arabs and Muslims in the U.S. media, I argue that Trump's tweets play into a long history of equating Arabs, Muslims and Iranians with terrorism and anti-Americanism," she wrote. The story was also featured in the [San Antonio Express-News](#) and the [Houston Chronicle](#).

January 28, 2020

[USA Today](#) featured Stephen Smith of USC Shoah Foundation — The Institute for Visual History and Education on the meaning of this year's International Holocaust Remembrance Day. "Whenever things get tough, whenever there's polarization, whenever there's political or religious extremism, you need a

scapegoat, and the Jews are the prototypical scapegoat because they have been the outsiders now for thousands of years," he said.

January 27, 2020

[The Chronicle of Higher Education](#) featured an op-ed by USC Dornsife Dean Amber D. Miller on the potential contributions of research universities to business, government, and society as a whole. "We need to show the world what an incredible resource we can offer for solving today's complex problems," she wrote.

January 24, 2020

[The Guardian](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of USC Dornsife on California's increasingly diverse cities.

[The New York Times](#) quoted Darby Saxbe of USC Dornsife on dealing with home clutter after the holidays.

January 23, 2020

[The Sacramento Bee](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of USC Dornsife on California's increasingly diverse cities.

January 22, 2020

[U.S. News & World Report](#) quoted Manuel Pastor of USC Dornsife on what can be learned from California's increasingly diverse cities.

January 21, 2020

[The Hill](#) featured an op-ed by Manuel Pastor of USC Dornsife on how American elections — and our candidates — need to look more like the country's future population. "For a country that is slated to become majority people of color in the next few decades, it is critical to address these structural features and offer a more representative set of candidates for voters," he wrote.

[Forbes](#) featured Julie Albright of USC Dornsife on the science behind modern social media and entertainment, including what makes the app TikTok so appealing. "In psychological terms [it's] called random reinforcement. It means sometimes you win, sometimes you lose. And that's how these platforms are designed ... they're exactly like a slot machine," she said.

January 17, 2020

[The Guardian](#) featured Wendy Wood of USC Dornsife and the USC Marshall School on where a habit like nail-biting comes from. "Most people develop the habit when they are anxious and it distracts them. Because it's a little bit of pain and it makes you focus away from the anxiety, it is rewarding. So the next time you feel anxious, you go back to biting your nails. All of this makes our habits resistant to change," she said.

[Seattle Post-Intelligencer](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary by Jeffrey Fields of USC Dornsife on the long, troubled history between the United States and Iran. "Some of the major events in U.S.-Iran relations highlight the differences between the nations' views, but others arguably presented real opportunities for reconciliation," he wrote. The story was also published in the [Houston Chronicle](#).

[U.S. News & World Report](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on how Mike Bloomberg can help defeat Donald Trump in the 2020 election.

January 16, 2020

[Los Angeles Times](#) featured an op-ed by Wayne Sandholtz of USC Dornsife and the USC Gould School on how autocracy is taking hold in Donald Trump's America. "How could an elected autocracy take hold in the United States? After all, we have three branches of government, with built-in checks and balances. But these days, it is not so clear that America's constitutional framework could readily repel Donald Trump's autocratic impulses," he wrote.

[The NonProfit Times](#) interviewed Anya Samek of USC Dornsife on her research into why thanking donors doesn't make them more likely to give again. The study looked at 600,000 donors and a half-million thank-you calls over six years and found that the calls had no effect on whether donors gave to the organization again, nor did it change the amount of their next donation.

January 15, 2020

[The New York Times](#) quoted Stanley Rosen of USC Dornsife on why *Star Wars* movies keep bombing in China.

January 14, 2020

[KNX 1070 AM](#) interviewed Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on why Cory Booker and Kamala Harris did not attract African American voters as presidential candidates.

[The Washington Post](#) quoted Clayton Dube of the USC U.S.-China Institute on how China is responding to rejection from both Taiwan and Hong Kong.

January 13, 2020

[Inside Higher Ed](#) featured Ben Graham of USC Dornsife on the value immigrants provide to businesses. "What we've learned is that immigrants may just hold the key for the U.S. to outmaneuver China in the struggle for global economic supremacy — as long as we continue to welcome the immigrants that give our firms a global edge," he said.

January 10, 2020

[Chicago Sun-Times](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary from Reed Blaylock, PhD student at USC Dornsife, on "they" being voted the word of the decade. "Though it can drive some pedants mad, language changes as culture changes. But in this case, the social push to respect nonbinary gender identity has extended so far into English that it's altering pronouns with a new, third-person singular gendered pronoun to accompany the longstanding pair of 'he' and 'she,'" he wrote.

[USA Today](#) quoted John Vidale of USC Dornsife on the "earthquake swarm" that recently hit Puerto Rico.

[The Chronicle of Higher Education](#) quoted Julien Emile-Geay of USC Dornsife on professors bringing their children to campus.

[ABC News Columbia affiliate KMIZ-TV](#) quoted Robert Shrum of the USC Center for the Political Future on if Hillary Clinton should run again for president.

January 9, 2020

[Seattle Post-Intelligencer](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary from Wendy Wood of USC Dornsife and the USC Marshall School on how the science of habits can help you break bad ones. "Breaking out of bad habits isn't easy. It takes time and repetition. But as you work toward forming better habits, you can, at the very least, incorporate these simple reverse-engineering strategies to help you avoid becoming one of the 80% of people who throw in the towel," she wrote.

[SFGate](#) (via [The Conversation](#)) featured commentary from Reed Blaylock, PhD student at USC Dornsife, on 'they' being voted the word of the decade. "Though it can drive some pedants mad, language changes as culture changes. But in this case, the social push to respect nonbinary gender identity has extended so far into English that it's altering pronouns with a new, third-person singular gendered pronoun to accompany the longstanding pair of 'he' and 'she,'" he wrote.

January 6, 2020

[The New York Times](#) featured an op-ed by Viet Thanh Nguyen of USC Dornsife on becoming a father for the second time. "There is no creativity, or creation, including the making and raising of children, that comes without risk. I now understand what I never did as a child: that I was the product of my parents taking a risk. The risk that their gift of love would be rejected; the risk that they would be misunderstood; the risk that their creation would have a life of his own," he wrote.

January 2, 2020

[Bustle](#) quoted Steve Ross of USC Dornsife on how women were forced out of Hollywood during its rise.

[Los Angeles Times](#) quoted David Kang of USC Dornsife on President Trump's approach to North Korea.

[NPR's "Hidden Brain"](#) featured Wendy Wood of USC Dornsife and the USC Marshall School on how we develop good habits and break bad ones. "When we repeat an action over and over again in a given context and then get a reward when you do that, you are learning very slowly and incrementally to associate that context with that behavior," she said. Wood was also featured in [MarketWatch](#).