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## 3 Experts Available for Timely Analysis of Pennsylvania Midterm Elections

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With the midterms around the corner, [Scholars Strategy Network](https://scholars.org) has compiled a list of local, university-based experts who are available to offer political commentary and analysis on Pennsylvania's election.

### JENNIE SWEET-CUSHMAN

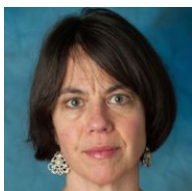
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Sweet-Cushman teaches courses in public policy, American politics, women and politics, and research methods. She serves as Editor-in-Chief of the academic journal *Commonwealth: A Pennsylvania Journal of Politics and Policy*, and is a frequent contributor to local, state, and national media as an expert on Pennsylvania electoral politics. Her expertise includes the politics of Southwest Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania legislature, women in politics, and statewide races in the commonwealth.

### LARA PUTNAM

University of Pittsburgh



Putnam researches social movements and political participation in local, national, and transnational dimensions, with particular attention to the ways that social media and the decline of local news have changed the landscape of what we learn and who we trust.

### CHRISTOPHER WITKO

Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus



Witko's research focuses on how public policies shape and respond to economic outcomes like unemployment and inequality, and how the public and organized interests influence public policy. His most recent book is [Hijacking the Agenda: Economic Power and Political Influence](#).