Top political science and communication scholars from across the country will spend Saturday, June 2, at UC Santa Barbara discussing research on the 2000 American presidential campaign and how new media, such as the Internet, played a role in political communication and voter behavior.

"Campaign Studies 2000: Lessons Learned" will also honor the work and spirit of the late UCSB scholar Steven H. Chaffee, who organized the conference. The Arthur N. Rupe Professor of the Media Effects of Mass Communication, Chaffee died unexpectedly May 15.

Scholars scheduled to take part in the program include Scott Althaus of the University of Illinois; Joseph Cappella, Kathleen Hall Jamieson, and Vincent Price from the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg School for Communication; Kenneth Goldstein of the University of Wisconsin; Shanto Iyengar of Stanford University; and W. Russell Neuman and Michael Traugott of the University of Michigan.

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