

## **2016 CQ Press Award for Teaching Innovation**

**CQ Press (an imprint of SAGE) sponsors this award to recognize a political scientist who has developed an effective new approach to teaching in political science.** The award honors a wide range of new directions in teaching, such as the creation of an innovative course syllabus or using a new multimedia approach in the classroom. In addition to receiving a \$500 award, the winner is acknowledged at the APSA Teaching and Learning Conference's Opening Keynote Session.

### **APSA is pleased to congratulate the 2016 award recipient, Amanda Rosen, PhD, Webster University!**

Dr. Rosen is recognized by her colleagues for being a true classroom innovator, at the forefront in the academic literature on the use of games and simulations in the classroom to teach a wide range of subjects, as well as the classroom itself. It is clear that she has a knack for creating games, exercises, and simulations that engage students and help them learn challenging material. Dr. Rosen has also found an innovative way of teaching research methods that excites and engages students. Her "Best Breakfast in Town Project" incorporates both group and individual components and takes students from the first stage of reviewing the existing literature on the subject through the research design process. She has presented on this project at the APSA Annual Meeting, has blogged about it on the Active Learning in Political Science (ALPS) blog, and will be discussing it in a co-authored paper at the APSA Teaching and Learning Conference in 2016.

### **Biography**

Amanda Rosen, PhD, is an Assistant Professor of Politics and International Relations at Webster University, a Fellow in the Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies, and the Head of International Programs in International Relations. Her research interests focus on the international organization of climate change and its security and human rights implications. She also conducts extensive research into the design and execution of simulations and games in the political science classroom. Dr. Rosen has presented her work at a variety of conferences, including the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, the European Consortium for Political Research, the Midwest Political Science Association, the Southern Political Science Association, and the APSA Teaching and Learning Conference. She is a founder and contributing editor of the Active Learning in Political Science blog. Dr. Rosen also teaches a variety of courses at Webster, including introductory courses in American Politics, International Relations, and research methods; interdisciplinary courses on international poverty and hunger and the use of films, fiction, and games to teach social sciences; and upper-level and graduate courses in environmental and energy security issues and American political behavior.