

Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. **Katy J. Harriger, PhD,** Chair and Professor, Department of Politics and International Affairs at Wake Forest University

Our nation's political climate is more polarized than ever, and voter turnout among young people is abysmal. But Dr. Harringer led a study that found that learning to talk about controversial issues while in college can inspire young adults to be more engaged citizens even ten years later. She explained what the students were taught and how it could be applied to voters of any age.

Issues covered:
Civic Participation
Voting
Youth Concerns

Length: 8:34

2. Matt Schulz, Senior Industry Analyst at CreditCards.com

25 million credit cardholders haven't changed their go-to credit card in at least ten years. Mr. Schultz said that people are missing many rewards because card issuers are hotly competing for new customers and giving big sign-up bonuses. He outlined some of the methods savvy consumers use to get the most out of their credit cards. He also explained why many consumers are reluctant to switch cards.

Issues covered:
Personal Finance
Consumer Matters

Length: 8:27

3. Laurence J. Kotlikoff, PhD, William Fairfield Warren Distinguished Professor, Professor of Economics at Boston University, President of Economic Security Planning, Inc, author/co-author of 16 books on retirement planning, economics and personal finance

Dr. Kotlikoff has developed the first retirement planning software built by economists. He explained how the "Economist Approach" differs from traditional retirement advice. He said the new approach can help consumers determine the highest level of spending their household can sustain over time, in order to live within their means for the remainder of their lives.

Issues covered:
Retirement Planning
Senior Citizens

Length: 4:56