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**Mercy Lecture Series at the University of Saint Joseph
Wednesday, January 23, 2013 -**

Understanding the 2012 Elections (and What Lies Ahead)

Featuring Ken Long, Ph.D., Professor of History and Political Science



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WEST HARTFORD, CONN. – The Office of Alumni Relations at the University of Saint Joseph (USJ) presents the Mercy Lecture Series (formerly Lunch & Learn) led by outstanding members of our faculty and professionals from our alumni community. **On Wednesday, January 23, Ken Long, Ph.D., professor of History and Political Science and chair of USJ’s History and Political Science Department will present *Understanding the 2012 Elections (and What Lies Ahead)*.** The program begins with lunch at 11:00 a.m. followed by the presentation at 11:40 a.m. in the Crystal Room of Mercy Hall, located on the University’s West Hartford campus at 1678 Asylum Avenue. The community is cordially invited to join USJ alumni and friends at this event:

- Admission is \$25 per person; registration is strongly encouraged.
- **Registration deadline is Friday, January 18** - contact Stephen Kumnick, manager of the Annual Fund & Alumni Relations, at 860.231.5323 or alumni@usj.edu.

Why did President Obama win re-election? Did he and Governor Romney run smart campaigns? What was the role of demographic changes in America? What role, if any, did luck play and what does all this presage for the 2014 midterm election and future Presidential elections?

Why did Senator-elect Chris Murphy defeat Linda McMahon? Who ran the better campaign and what role, if any, did sexism play? Will Democrats keep the Senate and Republicans keep the House in 2014? Moving forward, will President Obama and a divided Congress manage to find a way to forge meaningful and productive compromises to address our ever pressing problems?

Dr. Ken Long earned his Ph.D. from The University at Albany, an M.P.A. from Syracuse University, and a B.A. from The University at Albany.

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