

The Science of Redistricting



Join Science for Georgia on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 7:00 PM EDT at Manuel's Tavern for a discussion on computer-automated districting algorithms and gerrymandering. Check out the Fulton County Library System for further learning!

Big Data: How Data Analytics Is Transforming the World
by The Great Courses
(movie on Kanopy)

From science to sales, from sociology to sports, data analytics is unraveling the fascinating secrets hidden in numbers, patterns, relationships, and information of every kind. In this video series, get introduced to the key concepts, methods, and accomplishments of this versatile approach to problem solving.

Gerrymandering Texas
by Steve Bickerstaff
(ebook on Hoopla)

Gerrymandering Texas intersperses history and legal analysis with first-person stories of the author's own many experiences with redistricting, from trying cases, to serving as expert witness, to consulting during the latest Texas constitutional convention.

The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America

by Richard Rothstein
(eBook on Overdrive)

In this title, Rothstein describes how the American government systematically imposed residential segregation: with undisguised racial zoning; public housing that purposefully segregated previously mixed communities; subsidies for builders to create whites-only suburbs; tax exemptions for institutions that enforced segregation; and support for violent resistance to African Americans in white neighborhoods.

Unrigged: How Americans Are Battling Back to Save Democracy
by David Daley
(ebook on Overdrive)

Daley introduces readers to groups that have pioneered innovative organizing methods—often combining old-school activism with new digital tools—Daley uncovers the story behind voting-rights victories nationwide and the new organizations reinventing our politics. This title is an essential toolkit for reviving our democracy

Votes of Confidence: A Young Person's Guide to American Elections
by Jeff Fleischer
(ebook on Overdrive)

This title gives young adult readers clear explanations about how our election process actually works, why it matters, and how they can become involved. Using real-world examples and anecdotes, this book provides readers with thorough, nonpartisan explanations about primaries, the electoral college, checks and balances, polls, fundraising, and more.

Weapons of Math Destruction: How Big Data Increases Inequality and Threatens Democracy
by Cathy O'Neil
(eBook on Overdrive)

Mathematician and data scientist Cathy O'Neil argues that the mathematical models being used today are unregulated and uncontested, even when they're wrong. And according to O'Neil, most troubling, they reinforce discrimination—propping up the lucky, punishing the downtrodden, and undermining our democracy in the process.



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