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**Applied History of Health &
Health Sciences Program**

presents

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(University of Chicago)

Fat Politics:

The Making of America's Obesity Epidemic

**Thursday, April, 12 at 4:00 p.m.
Rollins School of Public Health
Room 721**

Eric Oliver is Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago. His interests include contemporary American politics, suburban and racial politics, political psychology, and the politics of science.

His books include *Democracy in Suburbia* (Princeton University Press, 2001), *Fat Politics: the Real Story Behind America's Obesity Epidemic* (Oxford University Press 2005), and *The Paradoxes of Segregation: Race, Neighborhood, and Civic Life in Multi-ethnic America* (forthcoming from University of Chicago Press). He has also authored numerous articles in journals such as the *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Perspectives in Biology and Medicine*, *International Journal of Epidemiology*, and *Urban Affairs Review* on topics ranging from absentee voting to racial intolerance to happiness in suburbs.

He has been a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholar at Yale University (1999-2001), a visiting scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation (2002-2003), and winner of a Young Investigators Career Award from the National Science Foundation. Eric is currently working on a study of vote choice in suburban elections and the politics of disease classification in the United States.



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