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Dr. Davis' research has been presented at a number of national and regional conferences including those of the American Political Science Association, the Northeastern Political Science Association, the Southwestern Social Science Association, the Louisiana Political Science Association, and the Conference for the Study of European Ideas. She has served as an invited guest keynote speaker for a number of organizations including Humanities Texas, the State Bar of Texas, the Press Club of Southeast Texas, the American Business Women's Association, Lamar Leadership Conference, Texas Academy for Leadership in the Humanities, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Pioneering Women.