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Included below is contact information regarding Ferris State University's Vice President for Academic Affairs and professor of Political Science Michael Harris, who is available for comment regarding the March 28 general elections in Israel. Further information is available by contacting Leah Nixon or Shelly Armstrong at (231) 591-2065.

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## Ferris State University's Michael Harris available to comment on general elections in Israel

BIG RAPIDS – Ferris State University's Vice President for Academic Affairs and professor of Political Science Michael Harris is an expert on public policy and public administration who has been a political commentator to a variety of broadcast and print media in the United States and Israel.

Dr. Harris is available for comment regarding the general elections in Israel March 28. The elections are crucial and will have a significant impact on the peace process, the future of the state of Israel, U.S. Israel relations and other significant issues in the Middle East and beyond.

He has published three books, "Entrepreneurs and Innovation in State and Local Government," "Public Policy and Electoral Reform: The Case of Israel" and "Term Limits." He has published in a variety of journals such as *The International Journal of Public Administration, Government and Policy, Nonprofit Quarterly, Utopian Studies, Israel Affairs and Israel Studies*, as well as published chapters in several edited volumes.

Harris received his Ph.D. in public policy from Indiana University, his master's degree from Tel-Aviv University and his undergraduate degree in economics and business administration from Bar-Ilan University. He is a graduate of the Harvard Graduate School of Education's Management Development program.

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