



POLITICAL SCIENCE WEEKLY DIGEST

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 2018

POLITICAL SCIENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAPI PANEL DISCUSSION: "ASIA IN AFRICA: REGULATION AND GOVERNANCE"

Thursday, January 18, 3-4:30 pm, SEDG C168

Panelists:

- **Marlea Clarke**, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Victoria
- **Cathleen Powell** (CH Powell), Associate Professor in Public Law, University of Cape Town
- **Ngozi S. Nwoko**, PhD student, Faculty of Law, University of Victoria

This panel will explore the broad theme of "Asia in Africa" from the perspectives of law, global political economy, and development. In particular, the panel will examine the garment industry in Mauritius, Madagascar, and southern Africa and its links to South Asia; the legal and regulatory challenges arising from inbound FDI from Asia in the extractive industries in Nigeria, and the public international law and domestic regulatory implications of Asian investment in southern Africa.

VICTORIA COLLOQUIUM SEMINAR

"DIALOGISM IN THE COURTS: WHAT'S IN IT FOR LAW, HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY"

Friday, January 19, 2:30 pm, Fraser 152

Julen Etxabe is docent in legal theory from the University of Helsinki and writes in the areas of legal and political theory, law and humanities, international human rights, and comparative constitutionalism. As a Fulbright scholar, he completed his SJD at the University of Michigan Law School with James Boyd White. He has taught at the University of Michigan (2008-10) and at the Faculty of Law of the University of Helsinki since 2010. He was a research fellow at the Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies (2014-2017) and co-editor in chief of *No-Foundations: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Law and Justice* from 2012 to 2017. He is the author of *The Experience of Tragic Judgment* (Routledge 2013) and the editor of three other books, most recently *Rancière and Law* (Routledge 2018) and *Cultural History of Law in Antiquity* (Bloomsbury, forthcoming). His current book project entitled *Judicial Dialogues and the Conversation of Democracy* seeks to illuminate the adjudicatory practices of several high courts in the world through the Bakhtinian concept of dialogism. Beyond identifying a global shift towards increasingly dialogical forms of judgment, the book seeks to theorize how these changes are transforming inherited notions of legal reasoning, legal authority, human rights, and the rule of law more generally.

UVic ANNOUNCEMENTS

CSPT COLLOQUIA "EAT, DRINK, TALK, AND THINK"

Friday, January 26, 5:30 pm, Halpern Centre 118

Submission deadline: Wednesday, January 17

The Cultural, Social & Political Thought (CSPT) Graduate Program invites you to "Eat, Drink, Talk, and Think!". This series is a comfortable and informal arena to test new ideas, flesh out current research, or

share completed research papers/thesis chapters with other students. You can read more about it here: <http://www.uvic.ca/interdisciplinary/cspt/home/colloquium/index.php>. As an interdisciplinary program, we welcome proposals from all fields of study and walks of life (i.e., non-CSPT students are welcomed and encouraged to present as well). The colloquium is an important space to mix disciplines and theoretical backgrounds, so we encourage students in sciences, mathematics & technologies; humanities, arts & social sciences; legal & policy disciplines; and all other fields to apply and present their research to a non-specialized audience.

Each colloquium will run for approximately an hour and a half. The presentations are ≈ 20 minutes, with plenty of time for questions and conversation afterwards. We welcome presentations of all types. This includes but is not limited to formal academic-style presentations, panel discussions, group workshops, or creative presentations. Work at any level of preparation will be considered. The submission deadline for this session is **January 17**. Send proposals of 300 words to csptcolloquium@gmail.com and give a brief summary of your proposed presentation and a title.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY LANSDOWNE LECTURE: DR. PAMELA SUGIMAN, RYERSON UNIVERSITY
“Acts of Kindness and Complicity: The silence of bystanders and eyewitnesses to the dispossession and internment of Japanese Canadians”

Sunday, January 28, 2-3:30 pm, Newcombe Conference Hall, Royal BC Museum

Free and open to everyone. Seating is limited.

In this talk, distinguished oral historian Dr. Pamela Sugiman confronts the complexity and messiness of human relationships. She reveals a troubling silence: not the silence of Japanese Canadians, but rather of their friends, neighbours, classmates, teachers, co-workers, employers and religious leaders. Based on her interviews with these bystanders and witnesses, she explains who they are and how they remember the ugliness of Canada's past, how they shared their memories with their children and grandchildren, and how their stories have changed her own understanding of Canadian history, memory and racism. Dr. Sugiman will also introduce her new book, *Witness to Loss: Race, Culpability, and Memory in the Dispossession of Japanese Canadians*, co-edited with Uvic historian Jordan Stanger-Ross. Dr. Pamela Sugiman is a professor and Dean of Arts in the Department of Sociology at Ryerson University. She joined Ryerson in 2006 after holding a tenure-stream position for 15 years at McMaster University. In the course of her career, Dean Sugiman has built a reputation for creativity, collegiality, transparency and vision. She has had a long-standing commitment to issues of social justice, equity, diversity and inclusion. These values are rooted in her personal history and have profoundly shaped her scholarly pursuits. Dr. Sugiman is the Oral History research cluster chair in the Landscapes of Injustice research project.

MEICON NEWS

2018 MEICON Middle East and Islamic Studies Student Conference – Saturday, April 7

Submission deadline: Monday, January 15

Call for Abstracts: MEICON invites students to submit a 300-word abstract that outlines their paper with a clear thesis, goals/methodology, and compelling conclusion. Papers in the conference will be 15-20 minutes in length. Please send submissions to Rachael Carlson at uvic.meicon@gmail.com by January 26th, 2018. For topic list and more details, please see the poster and call for papers attached.

Andrew Rippin Essay Prize: Application deadline February 15

A prize of \$500.00 will be awarded to a paper presented at the 2018 MEICON-BC Student Conference. To apply for the prize, please send an additional letter of application, 150-word abstract, and the attached essay around 3000 words to uvic.meicon@gmail.com by February 15.



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