THE SOCIAL PRACTICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS: Charting the Frontiers of Research and Advocacy

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- conduct critical research to advance the theory and practice of transformative human rights advocacy;
- promote dialogue and collaboration between human rights researchers and advocates;
- prepare the human rights researchers of the future with the knowledge, skills and values necessary to bring about real change in the lives of the poor and persecuted; and
- provide analytical support to human rights NGOs to strengthen their capacity to respond to emerging threats to human dignity.

Welcome to THE SOCIAL PRACTICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS: CHARTING THE FRONTIERS OF RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY.

As scholars and practitioners, we are at an auspicious moment to convene, explore the global terrain and inform the future of human rights practice.
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**ALEX DE WAAL**
Executive director of the World Peace Foundation and research professor at the Fletcher School, Tufts University

**JUAN MÉNDEZ**
UN Special Rapporteur on torture, formerly of Human Rights Watch and the International Center for Transitional Justice

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Co-director, the Kairos Center for Religions, Rights and Social Justice at Union Theological Seminary

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Program director, International Human Rights Funders Group

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Mellichamp Professor of Global Governance, University of California, Santa Barbara

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Director of human rights research, University of Dayton

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3
All events at Kennedy Union, Main Campus

6:30 p.m.  Welcome reception  Torch Lounge
8 p.m.  Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra concert  Boll Theatre

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4
All events at River Campus unless noted otherwise

8 a.m.  Registration opens  Lobby
Breakfast  Cafeteria
9 a.m.  Welcome remarks by Dr. Joseph Saliba, provost, University of Dayton  Cafeteria
9:30 a.m.  Research session 1  Classrooms
11:30 a.m.  Lunch  Cafeteria
Remarks by Dr. Paul Benson, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences
Address by Dr. Daniel Curran, president, University of Dayton

1 p.m.  Research session 2  Classrooms
3:15 p.m.  Research session 3  Classrooms
5 p.m.  Break
6:30 p.m.  Dinner  Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.  Keynote address by Dr. Alex de Waal  Auditorium

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

8 a.m.  Registration opens  Lobby
Breakfast  Cafeteria
9 a.m.  Plenary dialogue: Past, Present and Future of Human Rights Advocacy  Auditorium
10:50 a.m.  Roundtable: Human Rights Philanthropy  Auditorium
12 p.m.  Lunch  Cafeteria
Keynote remarks from Juan Méndez
1:30 p.m.  Plenary dialogue: Integrating Human Rights and Development in Practice  Auditorium
3:20 p.m.  Plenary dialogue: The Role of Media and Communications Technology  Auditorium
5 p.m.  Closing reception and art gallery show  College Park Center, Gallery 249

SESSION 1 | 9:30 – 11:15 A.M.

CONTESTING HUMAN RIGHTS (ROOM 2060)
Discussant: Barbara Frey, University of Minnesota

Simanti Dasgupta* | University of Dayton
Sex Work, AIDS and Rights in Sonagachhi, India: Thinking between Hegemony and Resistance

Kristi Kenyon | Acadia University (Canada)
Choosing Rights: The Puzzle of the Rights Frame in HIV Advocacy

Teresa M. Szeghi* | University of Dayton
Indigenous American Literatures: Advocacy, Rights and Sovereignty

Matthew Weinert | University of Delaware
Human Beings and Being Human: The Making of ‘Gay Rights’ as Human Rights

FAITH AND RELIGION (ROOM 2080)
Discussant: Kelly Johnson, University of Dayton

Anthony Tirado Chase | Occidental College
Human Rights, Sexual Rights, the Muslim World, and Why ‘Pushing the Envelope’ Is Essential to Human Rights’ Global Resonance

Sheherazade Jafari | American University
Bridging the Religious-Secular Divide within Transnational Women’s Movements: Muslim-Western Partnerships for Women’s Rights

David Plevak | Mayo Medical School
Universal Truths Encounter the Pragmatism of Modern Medicine: Application of the Principle of Subsidiarity

Yvonne Zimmerman | Methodist Theological School
Good Freedom: Code of Conduct for Religious Institutions, Faith Communities and Faith-Based Organizations for their Work with Survivors of Forced Labour, Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery

NORM DIFFUSION (ROOM 2006)
Discussant: Dana Zartner, University of San Francisco

Carrie Booth Walling | Albion College
The United Nations Security Council and Human Rights Advocacy

Dongwook Kim | Marquette University
How Human Rights International NGOs Promote Domestic Human Rights Trials Worldwide

Tom Pegram | University College London (UK)
Orchestration or Improvisation at the UN? The International Coordinating Committee of National Human Rights Institutions

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Anthony Talbott, Nancy Miller | University of Dayton
Exploring Differences in Anti-Human Trafficking Laws in the American States

MIGRATION AND VIOLENCE AT THE US-MEXICO BORDER (ROOM 2005)
Discussant: Michele Leiby, The College of Wooster

Mohsen Khani, Derek Petrey, Katherine Rowell | Sinclair Community College
Human Rights Violations at the US-Mexican Border

Gilda Rodriguez Cervantes | Kenyon College
Indigenous Rights in Transnational Perspective: The Rights of Immigrant Workers and the Right to Stay Home

Clara Roman-Odio | Kenyon College
Bringing Theory to Practice: Human/Labor Rights in Academia

Nancy Powers | Kenyon College
Avoiding the Question: The Social Practice of Human Rights in Immigration Reform

CAN THE PUBLIC SECTOR ACCOMMODATE HUMAN RIGHTS? (ROOM 2225)
Discussant: Richard Ghere, University of Dayton

Youssef Farhat, Joe Strychalski, Susan Weaver, Hilary Zappin | University of Dayton
State-Supported Foster Care: A Matter of Human Rights?

Leslie King, Amanda Rupp | University of Dayton
Hydraulic Fracturing in the Great Miami River Watershed: A Human Rights Issue?

Teresa Perretta, Xiaorui Feng, Madison Kramer | University of Dayton
The ‘Immigrant Friendly City’ Program: Aligning Human Dignity with the Community Interest

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RIGHTS (ROOM 2265)
Discussant: Paul Nelson, University of Pittsburgh

K. Russell Shekha | Denison University

Jessica Ulm | Indiana University
Struggling to Define the Right to Education

Daniel J. Whelan | Hendrix College
Indivisible Human Rights and the End(s) of the State

Nahal Zamani | Columbia University
Looking Forward: Documenting the Impact of ESC Violations

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS RIGHTS (ROOM 2225)
Discussant: Keith Doubt, Wittenberg University

Lisa Brooten | Southern Illinois University
Glorifying Individual Rights: Freedom of Expression, Communication Rights and Democratic Media

Wiebke Lamer | Old Dominion University
Neglecting the ‘Right on Which All Other Rights Depend’: Press Freedom in the International Human Rights Discourse

Basilio Monteiro, Kevin Rioux | St. John’s University
Media and Globalization of Human Rights

Andy Valeri | Independent Media Producer
Why Communication Rights are Essential to the Protection and Advancement of Human Rights in the 21st Century

STRATEGIES FOR EFFECTIVE OUTCOMES (ROOM 2265)
Discussant: Mark Lagon, Georgetown University

Jo Becker | Human Rights Watch
Strategies for Effective Human Rights Campaigns

Koray Kaplica | Koç University (Turkey)
Explaining Advocacy Agenda: Human Rights NGOs in Turkey

Kyla McEntire, Matthew Krain, Michele Lieby | The College of Wooster
Human Rights Organizations as Agents of Change: When Do They Succeed and When Do They Fail?

Tsveta Petrova | Columbia University
From Principle to Pragmatism: The Motivational Life Cycle of Transnational Democracy and Human Rights Movements
ETHICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY (ROOM 2060)
Discussant: Tom Pegram, University College London

Kevin Ahern | Manhattan College
Voices in the Wilderness: Catholic NGOs and the Challenge of Human Rights

Benjamin Foley | Rutgers University
Compromising Moral Values for Survival: Patronage, Capacity, Politicization, Intimidation and Donor Dependencies

Richard Ghere | University of Dayton
Rhetoric and Ethics in Global Organizations: Implications for Human Rights

Lara-Zuzan Golesorkhi | The New School
A Human Rights Mission: Advocacy on the Local and Global Scale

CONFLICT AND HUMAN SECURITY (ROOM 2080)
Discussant: Carrie Booth Walling, Albion College

Nicole Gerring | Wayne State University
Framing Our Focus: How Human Rights Reports Shape the Understanding of Wartime Rape

Natalie Florea Hudson | University of Dayton
‘Gendering’ International Peacekeeping: Women for Women on the Frontlines

Roxanne Krystalli | Tufts University
Gender-Based Violence and Rethinking Human Security

ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHTS (ROOM 2006)
Discussant: Daniel J. Whelan, Hendrix College

Ellen Maccarone | Gonzaga University
Community Food Security as a Microcosm of Human Rights

Paul Nelson | University of Pittsburgh
The Human Right to Water and Advocacy for Urban Water Supply: After the Privatization Struggles

Amelia Mae Wolf | New York University
Deconstructing Prevention: The Missing Link in the Human Security Approach to Climate Change

CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES (ROOM 2080)
Discussant: David Watkins, University of Dayton

Mark Lagon | Georgetown University
Constructing a Dialogue on Dignity: Advocacy for Human Dignity as Global Institutions’ Focus

Damian Williams | The New School
Why So Pessimistic About Human Rights?

Diane Yeager | Georgetown University
Dissymmetry, Equality and Mutual Recognition: Ricoeur’s Hegelian Interrogation of the Liberal Conception of Human Rights

WITNESSING THROUGH VISUAL MEDIA (ROOM 2006)
Discussant: Lena Khor, Lawrence University

Lisa Brooten, Syed Irfan Ashraf | Southern Illinois University
Savage, Victim, Savior: Human Rights and Visual Culture in the Rohingya Crisis of Burma/Myanmar

Virginia Dixon | Columbia University
Eyes in the Sky: Satellite Technology and Human Rights

Keith Doubt | Wittenberg University
Photographic Conflict: War Crimes: Ethical and Humanistic Limits

Ruthie Ginsburg | Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design (Israel)
Collaborative Advocacy: What Effects Does Visual Documentation Have on Social Relations?

Alexandra C. Budabin* | University of Dayton
Joel R. Pruce* | University of Dayton
Exploring the Practice of Human Rights Media Advocacy: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Information Politics

LOCAL INITIATIVES ROUNDTABLE (ROOM 2225)

Melissa Bertolo | Program Coordinator, Welcome Dayton Immigrant Friendly City Initiative

Jamie Gee | Program Manager, Montgomery County Ex-Offender Re-Entry Program

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Theo Majka* | Chair, Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Caucus, National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton

Anthony Talbott | Chair, Abolition Ohio

Michael Ward | Program Coordinator of Operations, Montgomery County Ex-Offender Re-Entry Program

NEW ACTORS (ROOM 2265)
Discussant: Nicole Gerring, Wayne State University

Brian K. Gran | Case Western Reserve University
How Do Independent Children’s Rights Institutions Redefine Human Rights Engagement?

Debra DeLaet | Drake University
Professional Associations and Human Rights Advocacy: A Case Study of the Role of National Medical Associations in Policy Debates over Genital Cutting

Jean-Marie Kamatali | Ohio Northern University
Time for Action: Making Nonstate Actors Accountable for their Human Rights Violations

Curtis Kline | University of Denver
Human Rights and Emerging Actors: Indigenous Peoples and Peasants Redefining the Issues

LISTENING TO VOICES AND TESTIMONY (ROOM 2005)
Discussant: Kelli Lyon Johnson, Miami University

Elliott Bynum | American University
Transnational Advocacy Networks and the Use of Trauma Narratives

Stephen Meyers | UC San Diego
Vertical Voices and Rationalized Rights: The Problem of Transnational Networks in the International Disability Rights Movement

Shayna Plaut | University of British Columbia (Canada)
The Unfolding Story of Human Rights Reporting: Tensions, Strategies and Next Steps

Katherine Wilson | University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee
Generic Testimonies in Human Rights Discourse

POSTER SESSION: MALAWI RESEARCH PRACTICUM ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT (EXHIBITION SPACE, FIRST FLOOR)

Richard Ghere | Faculty advisor, University of Dayton

Student Presenters: Christine Alwan, Alyssa Bovell, Kristen Drilling, Adie Lewis, Dylan Moore and Paige Singleton

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PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCACY | 9 – 10:30 a.m.
Moderator: Dr. Margaret Karns, Professor Emerita, University of Dayton

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Dr. Louis Bickford | program officer, Ford Foundation; adjunct professor, Institute for the Study of Human Rights, Columbia University

Larry Cox | co-director of the Kairos Center for Religions, Rights and Social Justice at Union Theological Seminary

Dr. Alex de Waal | executive director, World Peace Foundation; research professor, the Fletcher School – Tufts University

HUMAN RIGHTS PHILANTHROPY | 10:50 – 11:50 a.m.
Moderator: Christen Dobson, Program director, International Human Rights Funders Group


INTEGRATING HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT IN PRACTICE | 1:30 – 3 p.m.
Moderator: Dr. Natalie Florea Hudson, director, human rights studies program, University of Dayton

Ambassador Tony Hall | executive director, The Alliance to End Hunger

Dr. Mark Ensalaco | director of human rights research, University of Dayton

Bill O’Keefe | vice president for government relations and advocacy, Catholic Relief Services

Ignacio Saiz | executive director, Center for Economic and Social Rights

THE ROLE OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY | 3:20 – 4:50 p.m.
Moderator: Dr. Joel R. Pruce, postdoctoral fellow in human rights studies, University of Dayton

Dr. Alison Brysk | Mellichamp Professor of Global Governance, University of California, Santa Barbara

Jason Cone | communications director, Doctors Without Borders USA

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