

6th Annual Illinois Wesleyan University Human Rights Research Workshop

February 23 – 25, 2018

Friday, February 23

4:00 – 4:15 p.m. Arrival and Check-in
State Farm Hall (SFH) Lobby

4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Conference Workshop and Preview SFH 108

Irv Epstein, Director, Illinois Wesleyan University Center for Human Rights and Social Justice

4:30 – 5:45 p.m. SESSION A: Immigration and Return Migration SFH 108

Andrea Kvietok (Macalester College) “Situating Migrants’ Rights in Contexts of Return and Reintegration in Dakar, Senegal”

Matt Banaitis (Illinois Wesleyan University) “Bosnian Immigration to the United States”

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Dinner & Conversation EVELYN CHAPEL, LOWER LEVEL

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. SESSION B: Visual Ethnography & Community Revolutionaries EVELYN CHAPEL

8:30 p.m. Ice Cream at Emack & Bolio’s UPTOWN NORMAL

Saturday, February 24

8:45 a.m. Coffee & Tea SFH 108

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. SESSION C: **Social Movements in the Americas** SFH 108

Serena Hughley (Spelman College) “African American and Afro-Colombian Solidarity in the War on Drugs”

Estaban Woo Kee (Southwestern University) “AIDS Activism and the Revolution of Gay Rights”

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:15 – 11:15 a.m. SESSION D: **Human Rights Amidst Conflict and Populist Nationalism**
SFH 108

Josie Blumberg (Illinois Wesleyan University) “The Influence of Cultural Characteristics and Values on Peace”

Noah Pliss (Vassar College) “Human Rights and Natural Disaster in Puerto Rico”

11:30 – 12:30 Lunch & Advocacy Seminar Presentation TITAN ROOM, MEMORIAL CENTER

12:45 – 2:00 p.m. **KEYNOTE ADDRESS** by Dr. Mark Steinberg (History, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana), "The Russian Revolution as Utopian Leap" SFH 102

2:15 – 3:15 p.m. SESSION E: **Human Rights and Issues of Identity** SFH 108

Roz Paradis (Luther College) "The Repercussions of the Ndi Umanyarwanda Program"

Nia Lundkvist (Spelman College) "Intersectionality and Black Lives Matter"

3:15 – 3:30 p.m. BREAK

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. SESSION F: **Understanding Reconciliation and Division Within and Between Nation States** SFH 108

Muyi Yang (Illinois Wesleyan University) "Sexual Violence & the State in Armed Conflict"

Zoe Bouras (Illinois Wesleyan University) "Dom Perignon vs. Miller Lite"

4:30 – 4:45 p.m. Wrap up SFH 108

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Dinner & Conversation EVELYN CHAPEL, LOWER LEVEL

8:00 p.m. Dress Rehearsal and Post-production discussion of "Rhinoceros"
MACPHERSON THEATRE

Sunday, February 25

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Closing Conversations & Recap of Workshop HYATT PLACE 1ST FL COMMONS