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GRADUATE STUDENTS' CONFERENCE

Exploring Law and Change through
Interdisciplinary Research, New Legal
Realism, and Other Perspectives

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Feb 18-19, 2016

WHERE
Osgoode Hall
Law School

York University, Toronto ON

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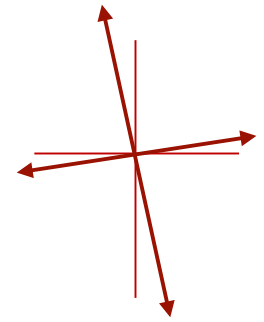
**BREAK DOWN
DISCIPLINARY
BOUNDARIES**

**EXPLORE
ALTERNATIVE
METHODOLOGIES**

**BUILD
PROFESSIONAL
SKILLS**

**ENGAGE
WITH OTHER
SCHOLARS**

Wednesday 17 February



6:00 – 7:00 pm

Registration

Gowlings Hall, Osgoode Hall Law School

7:00 – 9:00 pm

Welcome Event

Shopsy's Pub, York Lanes

Thursday 18 February

8:30 – 9:00 am

Registration & Breakfast

Gowlings Hall & JD Common Room, Rm 1017

9:00 – 9:30 am

Welcome Address – Professor Dayna Scott

Moot Court, Rm 1005

Thursday Session 1 9:30 – 11:00 am

Panel

Environmental Justice

Room: 2001

Chair: Prof Dayna Scott

Alexandre Lillo

Ottawa U

La théorisation de la ressource en eau : un objet hybride socio-naturel aux origines de sa conception juridique

Asma Atique

Osgoode

Assessing Capabilities Approach as an Evaluative Framework for Climate Justice

Angela Lee

Ottawa U

Of Cows and Women: An Ecofeminist Perspective on In Vitro Meat Technology

Panel

Policy, Finance & Private Justice

Room: 2002

Chair: Prof Stephanie Ben-Ishai

Nicolas Benoît-Guay

McGill

The Subsidiarity-Based Approach to Tax Policy: A Québec Case Study

Ksenia Polonskaya

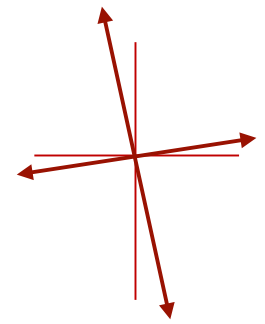
Queen's

The System of Privatized Justice: Discussing the Libertarian Account of the Investor-State Arbitration

Clément Labi

Luxembourg

A Mythical Change: Challenging the "Separation of Ownership and Control" Narrative



Thursday Session 2 11:00 – 12:30 pm

Panel

Technology, Law & Environment

Room: 2001
Chair: Prof Dayna Scott

Giorilyn Bruno	Calgary	Hydraulic Fracturing: Issues and Impacts
Royal Anosike	Ottawa U	Genetically Modified Foods, Culture, Traditional Agricultural Practices: Farmers Rights in Africa
Adam R Houston	Ottawa U	Addressing Domestic Canadian Barriers to Accessing Off-Patent Essential Medicines

Panel

International Law

Room: 2002
Chair: Prof Ruth Buchanan

Otabek Ismailov	Ottawa U	Bridging International Relations with International Law: How International Relations Regime Theory Might Benefit in Resolving Interpretation Issues in International Investment Law
Nickson Bondo	Leipzig	Addressing Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Violations in Peace Agreements: A Challenge for Sustainable Peace and Justice in Africa's Great Lakes Region
Randle C. DeFalco	U of T	Assessing the Legality of International Criminal Law: An Interactional Account
Gabriel Bibeau-Picard	Paris Panthéon-Assas / U of T	Is Subsidiarity a Constitutional Principle of International Law?

Workshop

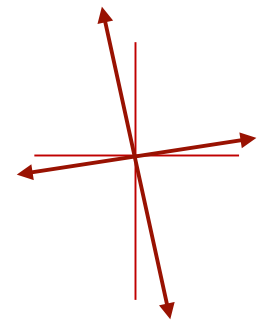
Knowledge Mobilization: Maximising Your Research Impact

Room: 2008
Facilitator: Krista Jensen, York University KMB Unit

12:30 – 2:00 pm

Lunch

JD Common Room, Rm 1017



Thursday Session 3 2:00 – 3:30 pm

Panel

Borders, Rights & Citizenship

Room: 2001
Chair: Prof Amar Bhatia

Chen Wang	Ottawa U	Law in Action: Return Migration of Asian Temporary Skilled Workers Under Canada's Skilled Immigration Regime
Richard D Pace	Osgoode	Affirming Deportation to Possible Torture, and Why
Zaglul Haider	Osgoode	Does Citizenship Matter? An Empirical Look at the Biharis in Bangladesh
Sanaa Ahmed	Osgoode	Judicialising national security: the story of Pakistan

Panel

Legal Actors & Law in the Courts

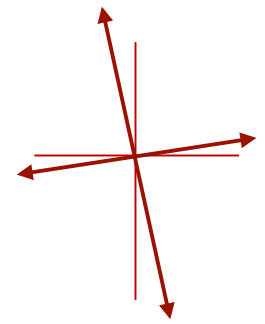
Room: 2002
Chair: Prof Benjamin Berger

Pavla Kristkova	Osgoode	Significance of the Method of Case Assignment as a Feature of Adjudicative Independence and Impartiality
Klodian Rado	Osgoode	Taking Judicial Globalization Seriously: Identifying the Main Mechanisms and Effect
Alexandra Pasca	McGill	Popular Culture as a Vehicle for Law Change / La culture populaire : véhicule de changement du droit
Chris Sewrattan	Osgoode	Lost in translation? The analytical purpose of the hearsay rule

Workshop

Navigating Academic Publishing & Demystifying the Peer Review Process

Room: 2008
Facilitators: Dr Sarah Hamill & Sara Ross



Thursday Session 4 3:30 – 5:00 pm

Panel

Ethics & Access to Justice

Room: 2001
Chair: Prof Trevor Farrow

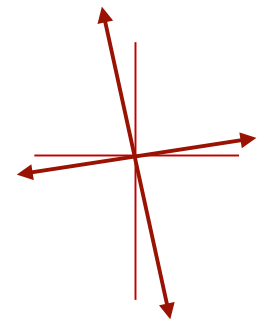
Ian Stedman	Osgoode	Can Canada's Ethics Commission Regain Relevance?: Drawing lessons from best practices in government ethics legislation across Canada
Matthew Dylag	Osgoode	Civil Needs Amongst Middle Income Ontarians: An Examination of the 2014 Cost of Justice Project
Michele M Leering	Queen's	A multiple case study of exemplary legal educators encouraging reflective practice & an "Access to Justice Consciousness" (as a core competency): A research work on the threshold
Suzanne E Chiodo	Osgoode	Towards a Theory of Defendant Class Actions

Panel

Indigenous Rights & Consultation

Room: 2002
Chair: Prof Signa Daum Shanks

Dustin Gumpinger	U of T	The Absence of Evidence in the Aboriginal Rights and Title Jurisprudence: Weighing the Supreme Court of Canada's Approach
Julie Falck	Osgoode	Agreement-Making and Native Title in Australia - Who Chooses the Adventure?
Larry Wu	Calgary	Alberta Energy Regulator Reform - Reconciling the Duty of Consultation with First Nations Peoples and the Duty to Serve the Public Interest
Alvaro Cordova Flores	McGill	Implementing Intercultural Dialogues: Strategies to Reform the Right to Indigenous Consultation and the Right to Self-Determination



Thursday Session 5 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Panel

National Security & Right of Assembly

Room: 2001
Chair: Prof Faisal Bhabha

Irma Spahiu	Osgoode	Integrating public safety in the human rights framework – A discourse in the context of Bill C-51
Francis Villeneuve Ménard	Ottawa U	The Crime of Unlawful Assembly and the Paradox of an Evolving Impediment to Social Changes
Maseeh Haseeb	Queen's	A governmentality perspective on national security discourse and Bill C-51
Basil Alexander	Queen's	Re-examining Peaceful Assembly: Exploring Its Use and Content in the Canadian Context

Panel

New Issues, New Perspectives

Room: 2002
Chair: Dr Sarah Hamill

Sarit K Mizrahi	Ottawa U	Online Behavioural Marketing and the Intrusion Upon Seclusion in Ontario and Quebec Law
Laura Garcia	Ottawa U	Geoweb-Open Government: New Data Context and Old Privacy Protections
B Courtney Doagoo	Ottawa U	"Oh, the Places You'll Go!": Adventures in Methodology and Interdisciplinarity
David Sandomierski	U of T	The Blessing of the Double Edge: The Great Promise of Duality in Legal Education

6:30 – 7:20 pm

Reception

JD Common Room, Rm 1017

7:30 – 8:30 pm

Keynote Speaker: Professor Elizabeth Mertz

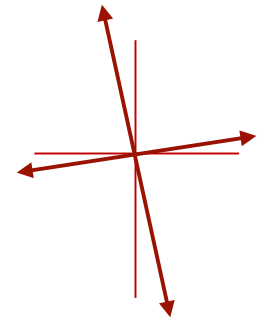
Moot Court, Rm 1005

8:30 – 10:00 pm

Dinner

JD Common Room, Rm 1017

Friday 19 February



8:00 – 8:45 am

Breakfast

JD Common Room, Rm 1017

Friday Session 6 8:45 – 10:15 am

Panel

Law & Psychology/Psychiatry

Room: 2001

Chair: Prof Lisa Dufraimont

Lilou Jiang	Ottawa U	Forensic Psychiatric Assessment for Capital Crime Offenders with Mental Illness in China: A Stakeholder Perspective Analysis
Heather Campbell	Saskatchewan	Criminal Behaviour in Frontotemporal Dementia
Matthew Spencer	UVic	Hope for Murderers? Law's Questions, Psychology's Answers

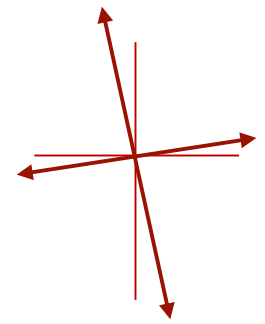
Panel

(Post)-Colonialism, Policy Spaces & Pluralism

Room: 2002

Chair: Sara Ross

Pierre-Alexandre Cardinal	McGill	Resistance and International Law; Overcoming the Epistemic Privilege of Modernity
Sabrina Tremblay-Huet	Sherbrooke	Postcolonialism, Law and Literature, and the International Norms of Tourism
Alexandra Flynn	Osgoode	Messy Governance: Zoning Law and Rooming Houses in Scarborough
Megan Lonergan	Queen's	Red-zoning sex workers as an expression and manifestation of territorial power



Friday Session 7 10:15 - 11:45 am

Panel

Sex & Crime

Room: 2001
Chair: Prof Lisa Dufraimont

Dana Phillips	Osgoode	Let's Talk About Sexual Assault: Survivor Stories and the Law in the Post-Ghomeshi Media Discourse
Tamera Burnett	Osgoode	Mediating Between Just Deserts and Restorative Justice: Searching for an Intersectional Feminist Sentencing Framework for Sexual Assault Offences
Debra M Haak	Queen's	Prostitution and Sex Work in Canada: What the Bedford Case Suggests about Harm, Choice, Discursive Framing and Research Challenges

Panel

Canadian Charter & Equality

Room: 2002
Chair: Bob Tarantino

Brian Bird	McGill	Are All <i>Charter</i> Rights and Freedoms <i>Really</i> Non-Absolute?
Maciej Karpinski	Ottawa U	The Structure of Equality Rights Law and Its Effects on the Relational Self: An Empirical Exploration
Jane Thomson	Queen's	The Promise of Section 15 and Other Disappointments: A Constructive Critique of Rights Discourse for Canada's Left Project
Frances Truong	Ottawa U	(Mis)understanding Complex Identities: Intersectionality and Human Rights Discourse in Canada

Workshop

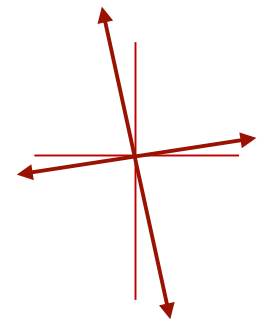
Writing Book Reviews

Room: 2008
Facilitator: Yemisi Dina

12:00 - 1:30 pm

Lunch

JD Common Room, Rm 1017



Friday Session 8 1:30 – 3:00 pm

Panel

Law, Work & Women

Room: 2001
Chair: Prof Janet Mosher

Joanna V Noronha	Harvard	Family Leave Policies, Motherlands, and Ideas of Parenthood
Shivani Kapur	Alberta	Ensuring Workplace Equality against the backdrop of pervasive pregnancy discrimination
Kelly VanBuskirk	UNB	Does employment law provide a relevant response to the concerns of employees who make legal claims?
John Enman-Beech	U of T	Feminism in all good faith: change in contract law

Panel

Racial Profiling & Criminal Justice

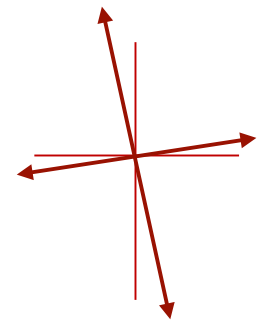
Room: 2002
Chair: Prof Sonia Lawrence

Fariyah Ali	York U	Indigenous Overrepresentation in the Criminal Justice System: Approaches to Addressing the Issue
Irena Djukic	York U	Exploring the Experiences of Wrongfully Convicted Individuals: A Scoping Literature Review
Tomee Sojourner	Osgoode	May I Help You! The Impact of Consumer Racial Profiling on Black/African Diasporic Women: Through the Lens of Storytelling
Sophie de Saussure Paquette	Ottawa U	Détermination de la peine et intérêt supérieur de l'enfant: une recherche empirique en droit pour dépasser les silences de la jurisprudence

Workshop

Teaching & Learning in Law

Room: 2008
Facilitator: Prof Shelley Kierstead



Friday Session 9 3:00 – 4:30 pm

Panel

Gender & Law in International Context

Room: 2001
Chair: Prof Sonia Lawrence

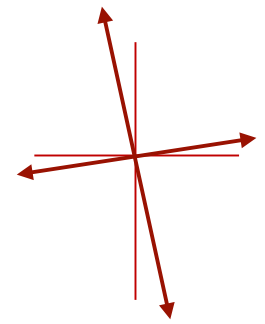
Sarah Mahboob	McGill	Crossing Boundaries: Criminalizing Personal Relationships
Loujayn Alhokail	Osgoode	The Saudi Arabian Male Guardianship System between Religious Institutions and the State
Melisa N Handl	Ottawa U	Gender Equality in the Context of Conditional Cash Transfers in Argentina: Are Poor Women Being Empowered or Entrapped?
Zhiguan Xu	Ottawa U	Feminist Legal Theory Perspective in the Context of China: a Study of One-Child Policy

Panel

Intellectual Property, Rights & Justice

Room: 2002
Chair: Aviv Gaon

Darinka Tomic	Western	The Increasing International Visibility of the Human Right to Food in the Intellectual Property (IP) Protection Era
Shen Goh	Osgoode	Branding Unfair Competition: What Foreign-Language Marks Mean for International Businesses
Justice Ogoroh	Osgoode	Creative Commons – To Make or Mar Copyright Law
Bob Tarantino	Osgoode	Dungeons, Dragons and the Open Game License – Choosing Your Own Adventure Through Open Content Licensing



Friday Session 10 4:30 – 6:00 pm

Panel

International Trade & Labour

Room: 2001
Chair: Meysam Saidi

Vanisha H Sukdeo	Osgoode	Regulating Labour and Capital: Corporations in a Transnational Context
Dmytro Galagan	UVic	Provisions on Transparency and Anti-Corruption in Free Trade Agreements: Towards a Global Constitutional Framework?
Sakif Alam	Carleton	Deaths of Numerous: Liability Rests Twelve Thousand Kilometers Away?
Irene Ekweozoh	Ottawa U	Rethinking Business and Human Rights: The Perspective of Indigenous Oil Companies in Nigeria

Panel

Medicine, Disability & the Law

Room: 2002
Chair: Alexandra Flynn

Nir Harel	Ottawa U	The Emerging Genetic Supermarket's Erosion of the Human Rights Law and Legal Boundaries to Prenatal Genetic Interventions
Helen Stolte	Osgoode	The Ethical and Legal Issues Related to Informed Consent to Medical Research with Children
Odelia Bay	Osgoode	(Re)Working Crip-Time Hours: Exploring Chronic Illness Temporalities, Employment Discrimination, and Resistance

6:00 – 7:00 pm

Closing Remarks

JD Common Room, Rm 1017

7:00 – 7:15 pm

Shuttle Pick Up

Outside Osgoode

8:00 – 11:45 pm

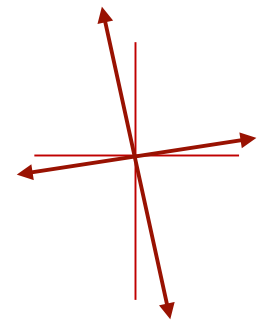
Closing Event

Office Pub, 117 John St

12:00 – 1:00 am

Shuttle back to Osgoode

Meet Outside Office Pub



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