

Social Justice Thursdays – Essential Issues
for First Year Students
Spring 2010 Noon Series

Social Change and the Legal Profession

Many students come to law school because they care about justice. Yet, many first year students become dispirited, feeling that issues of public interest, social justice, and legal ethics get lost in a thicket of technical knowledge. Get re-inspired and remember why you came to law school by coming to Social Justice Thursdays!

Short readings will be available on reserve in the library and available through faculty support outside Bergin 214. These readings are interesting; come even if you haven't had time to read carefully. Discussions will be facilitated by Professor Margalynne Armstrong, Associate Academic Director of the Center for Social Justice and Public Service, along with Santa Clara faculty and students.

All sessions will meet from Noon to 1 p.m. in Bannan 333. Light lunch will be provided. Readings are on reserve in the library and outside Bergin 214.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Article for Discussion</u>	<u>Facilitators</u>
Jan. 28	PROPERTY/CONTRACT LAW Cheryl I Harris, <i>Whiteness as Property</i> , 106 HARV. L. REV. 1707, June (1993).	Margalynne Armstrong
Mar. 18	THE POWER OF LAW AND SOCIAL CHANGE Sumi Cho and Robert Westley, <i>Critical Race Coalitions: Key Movements That Preformed the Theory</i> , 33 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 1377, 1377-80, 1388-99 (2000).	Students from New Orleans Alternative Spring Break
Apr. 8	SOCIAL JUSTICE LAWYERING AND WORKING WITH COALITIONS Julie A. Su, <i>Making the Invisible Visible: The Garment Industry's Dirty Laundry</i> , 1 J. GENDER RACE & JUST. 405, 405-17 (1998).	Lynette Parker

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