

2008-2009 IRW Interdisciplinary Seminar The Culture of Rights/The Rights of Culture

IRW Seminar Fellows:

Ousseina Alidou, African, Middle Eastern and South Asian Languages and Literatures
“Muslim Women and Rights Discourse: Kenya in Comparative Perspective”

Debotri Dhar, Women’s & Gender Studies
“Reading Bodies, Writing Culture
:Postcoloniality and Women’s Rights in Contemporary India”

Leslie Fishbein, American Studies
“Tangled Tropes: Blacks and Jews in Vexed Conversation”

Sally F. Goldfarb, School of Law-Camden
“A Clash of Cultures: Women, Domestic Violence, and Law”

Stacey Leigh Hunt, Political Science
“Culture of Citizenship, Culture of Violence: Inculcating Differentiated Citizen Participation and Rights under Democratic Neo-liberal Governance in Contemporary Colombia”

Shakti Jaising, English
“Global Neoliberalism and Human Rights Discourse”

Laura Lomas, English-Newark
“Undocumented Subjects: Migration, Criminalization and Economic Integration in the Americas”

Robyn Magalit Rodriguez, Sociology
“Rights and Belonging in New Jersey after 9/11”

Catherine Sameh, Women’s & Gender Studies
“Islamic Feminism in Iran: Rights, Religion, and New Transnational Feminist Discourses”

Karen Gainer Sirota, School of Social Work
“Narrative Ethics and Women's Rights: Gender, Discourse, and the Micropolitics of Everyday Life in US Dual-Earner Families”

Rebecca Tuuri, History
“‘Building Bridges of Understanding’ in the Pursuit of Welfare Rights: The Activism of the National Council of Negro Women in the War on Poverty”

Johanna Rossi Wagner, Italian
“Interstitial Cultures: Women of the Italian Colonial Empire in the Works of Erminia Dell’Oro”

IRW Global Scholars:

Annalisa Butticci, University of Padua, Italy
(September 2008 - May 2009)
“Female Genital Mutilation: Culture, Rights and Power on Women’s Bodies”

Heather Hewett, SUNY-New Palz (September 2008 – May 2009)
“African Literary Representations of Human Rights, Women’s Bodies, and Culture”

Eniko Magyari-Vincze, Babes-Bolyai University, Romania (January - May 2009)
“Culture, Rights and Moral Entitlement”

Salma Maoulidi, Sahiba Sisters, Tanzania (January - May 2009)
“Between Law and Culture: Contemplating Rights for Women in Zanzibar”

Susan Smith-Peter, College of Staten Island (September 2008 - May 2009)
“From Creole Estate to Native Corporation: Indigenous Rights in Alaska”

Sasha Turner, Tulane University (July 2008 – May 2009)
“Her West Indian Fortune: White Women and Plantation Management in Jamaica, 1765-1812”

Meyda Yeğenoğlu, Middle East Technical University, Turkey (September 2008 – May 2009)

Conveners:

Dorothy Hodgson
Anthropology
Director, Institute for Research on Women

Beth Hutchison
Associate Director, Institute for Research on Women