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BLOCK 4 | NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2016

DEPARTMENT RESPONSE TO THE ELECTION

The sociology department is responding to the results of the election in several ways. Professor Eric Popkin is organizing an Activist Institute to take place over half block, where he will bring in activists and community organizers—including prominent Green Party activist Rosa Clemente—to work with students.

Additionally, several professors will be addressing the election in their courses. See the reverse page for information about classes that will discuss the impacts of the election.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Queer Spirituality Interest Group

Tuesday 12/6 6:30pm, Interfaith House

Meditation and dinner for students interested in a queer spirituality group. Contact Katie.lerer@coloradocollege.edu for more info!

Thesis Advising Discussion Lunch

Wednesday 12/7 12pm, Slocum Commons

Professor Kathy Giuffre, along with several other social science professors, will discuss the thesis advising process.

Student Leadership Dialogue Luncheon on “Gender Dynamics and Power Politics”

Weds. 12/7, 12:30, Yalich Boardroom in Spencer

Sociology Student Advisory Board Holiday Potluck

Wednesday, 12/14, 7pm—Location TBD

Come meet the other students in the sociology department at the student advisory board holiday potluck! Bring something to share. Keep your eyes out for an email with more details!

PIFP Season is Upon Us!

PIFP—the Public Interest Fellowship Program—was started by former CC Sociology professor Jeff Livesay. The program offers summer and yearlong fellowships with nonprofits in Colorado Springs in Denver. Applications are due February 1, 2017. For more information, visit www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/publicinterest/ or attend one of the three information sessions listed to the right.

Information Sessions in the WES Room

Thursday, 12/8, 12:15pm

Wednesday, 12/14, 4pm

Thursday, 1/26, 12:15pm

Courses Addressing the Election

Want to examine the impacts—and root causes—of the results of the presidential election? These courses will address the election results.

SO246 Sociology of Health and Medicine (Block 5) with Wade Roberts

“In recent years, a portion of this course was dedicated to analyzing the institutional dysfunction of America’s complex health care system and how and in what ways the Affordable Care Act addressed (or not) issues around coverage, quality, and cost. We’ll be supplementing that analysis with a review of conservative policy proposals, however loosely articulated at this point, and how they may or may not supplant or transform the health insurance system in the U.S. We will also discuss how the broader Republican policy agenda, if enacted, will affect “upstream” conditions that ultimately impact population health.”

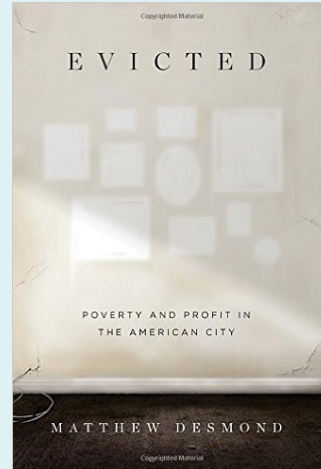
SO224 Sociology of Religion (Block 6) with Gail Murphy-Geiss

“We will discuss the somewhat long time alliance between the evangelical religious right and the Republican Party. In some ways, that connection has been waning of late, but it seems to have resurfaced in the most recent election. The public face of that now is Mike Pence. We will be discussing the intersection between religious perspective, political position, and race, class, and gender. Indeed, religion will be a very important variable to consider as one tries to understand the support and non-support of Mr. Trump.”

SO318 Politics, Inequality, and Social Policy (Block 7) with Wade Roberts

“This course has always revolved around the dynamic tension between capitalism and democracy, particularly as it plays out through America’s two-party system and its racially diverse society. These tensions come to a head in the politics of the welfare state (broadly considered). We’ll be engaging the literature on race and politics, social policy, and social theory to make sense of the most recent election and the forthcoming efforts by the Republican Party (as well as obstacles they will encounter) to fundamentally transform the welfare state in the U.S.”

What We’re Reading *Evicted* by Matthew Desmond



Evicted, by Harvard sociologist Matthew Desmond, follows eight families living in the poorest neighborhoods of Milwaukee who

are forced to spend more than half of their income on substandard housing and constantly face eviction. The book illustrates the extreme poverty and economic exploitation in American cities.

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