

ETHNOGRAPHIC PORTRAIT OF THE CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM CONFERENCE



Opening Reception

Thursday, February 29, 2024, at the Center for Black Studies Research

Conference Day

Friday, March 1, 2024, from 9 AM to 5 PM at the Loma Pelona Center

The Center on Black Studies Research is excited to announce the "Ethnographic Portrait of the Criminal Legal System" conference, an integral part of our Black History Month programming. This event is designed to shed light on the lived experiences of individuals affected by the criminal legal system, emphasizing ethnographic research from both the U.S. and around the globe. It highlights the systemic impacts on communities and fosters discussions on the lived experience of people impacted by the criminal legal system, including solutions to systemic reform and transformative change. The conference aspires to bring together UCSB students, scholars, practitioners, activists, and the general public for a rich dialogue on critical issues at the intersections of housing, education, healthcare, food insecurity, employment, and the criminal legal system across the life course.

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SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

- ◆ Victor Rios - UCSB: Opening Remarks
- ◆ Sharon Tettegah-UCSB: Opening Remarks
- ◆ Felice Blake - UCSB: Lockdown in a Small Town: A Portrait of Local Abolitionist Practice as Community Making
- ◆ Andrea Boyles - Tulane: Criminal Minded, Racist Alignment: The Miseducation of a Nation for Anti-Black Criminalization
- ◆ Patrice Collins - Northeastern: The Ripple Effect: When the Police Arrest and Incarcerate Black Parents
- ◆ Debanuj DasGupta - UCSB: The Politics of Immigration Detention: Body, Desire, and Freedom
- ◆ Melissa Guzman - San Francisco State University: A New You: Latina Women Seeking Relief from Carceral Control
- ◆ Charles Lemert - Wesleyan, John E. Andrus Professor of Social Theory, Emeritus: Prisons and Universities: Not that Different
- ◆ Patrick Lopez-Aguado - Santa Clara: Researching Youth Criminalization from Inside the Institution
- ◆ Jessica López Espino - UCSB: Sociolegal Ecologies of Distrust in California: Child Welfare in Court
- ◆ Amy Andrea 'Drea' Martinez - San Jose State University: Santa Bruta—Home of El Indio Muerto: The Colonial Carceral City's Attempt to Eliminate the 'Mexican Problem'
- ◆ Reuben Miller - U Chicago: The Least of These
- ◆ Anthony Peguero - Arizona State University: The Continuing Journey of a School Safety Scholar
- ◆ Danny Maria Ramirez Torres - Universidad Nacional de Colombia: Femicide in the Making of a City: The Case of Buenaventura, Colombia
- ◆ Michael Walker - University of Minnesota: An Organizational Perspective on Dreams
- ◆ John Eason - Brown University: Bringing Down the Big House: From the Invisible Land to the Upcycled Place

Special Panel Discussion:

Wesleyan University Center for Prison Education Program Fifteen Years Later: Reflections from one of the founders, former students, and professors.

Waverly Duck, UCSB

Molly Birnbaum, Founder and Wesleyan Alum

Charles Lemert, Wesleyan, John E. Andrus Professor of Social Theory, Emeritus

Clyde Meikle, Former Student, Wesleyan University

Terrance Stevenson, Former Student, Wesleyan University

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