

WOMEN OF COLOR POLICY NETWORK

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FEBRUARY

CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES IN POLICY FORMATION: THE IMPACT OF RACE, CLASS, GENDER, AND OTHER MARKERS OF DIFFERENCE ON POLICY MAKING

A BROWN-BAG PANEL DISCUSSION

February 23, 2009 • 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

This panel will critically examine the gap between public policy formulation and enactment and the lived experiences of women of color, low-income individuals, and middle-class families. Panelists will also discuss challenges as well as strategies for creating inclusive and representative public policies in the new Administration.

Discussants:

C. Nicole Mason, Executive Director,
Women of Color Policy Network, NYU Wagner (Panel Curator)
Rachelle Brunn, Postdoctoral Fellow, NYU Wagner
José Garcia, Associate Director of Research & Policy, Demos
Ingrid Ellen Gould, Associate Professor, Public Policy &
Urban Planning, NYU Wagner
Makani Themba, Executive Director, The Praxis Project

MARCH

RACE, REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS POLICY, AND THE NEW ADMINISTRATION: A MODERATED CONVERSATION BETWEEN DOROTHY ROBERTS AND IRIS LÓPEZ

March 11, 2009 • 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Discussants:

Dorothy Roberts, Kirkland and Ellis Professor, Northwestern
University Law School
Iris López, Associate Professor of Sociology and currently the Director
of the Program in Latin American and Latino Studies at City College

FOR ALL EVENTS, PLEASE RSVP AT:

wagner.nyu.edu/events

ALL EVENTS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, WILL TAKE PLACE IN:

The Puck Building, Rudin Family Forum, 2nd Fl.
295 Lafayette Street, New York, NY 10012
Robert F. Wagner School of Public Service

LIFELINES: EXPLORING AND UNDERSTANDING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH DISPARITIES AMONG RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITY WOMEN

March 24, 2009 • 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

In this lively discussion, researchers, advocates, and practitioners will examine the social determinants of health disparities among racial and ethnic minority women and low-income individuals. They will also offer policy recommendations and strategies for alleviating disparities and improving health outcomes at the local, state, and national levels.

Discussants:

Mary Ann Chiasson, Vice President,
Research and Evaluation, Public Health Solutions
Dr. Barbara Ferrer, Executive Director,
Boston Public Health Commission
Mindy Fullilove, Professor of Clinical Psychiatry,
College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University
Danielle Ompad, Interim Associate Director, Center of Urban
Epidemiologic Studies, New York Academy of Medicine
Gina Wood, Deputy Director, Health Policy Institute,
Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies

APRIL

THE ECONOMICS OF IDENTITY: HOW POVERTY IS GENDERED AND RACED

April 7, 2009 • 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

This panel presentation by leading scholars and activists addresses how gender and race must be taken into account in economic and social policies related to economic recovery and the persistent problem of poverty.

Opening Words: Suzanne E. England, Ph.D., Dean of the Silver School of Social Work, NYU

Discussants:

Erica Gabrielle Foldy, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Public
and Nonprofit Management, NYU Wagner (Moderator)
Mimi Abramovitz, DSW, Bertha Capen Reynolds Professor,
Hunter College School of Social Work, CUNY
C. Nicole Mason, Ph.D, Executive Director, WOCN, NYU Wagner
Research Center for Leadership in Action, NYU Wagner
Representative from Community Voices Heard

APRIL

WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL: IMMIGRATION POLICY REFORM IN A DOWN ECONOMY

A 3-PART LECTURE AND DISCUSSION SERIES

President Barack Obama won over many immigrant and Latino voters by promising to tackle immigration reform in his first year in office. The fragile economy coupled with high unemployment rates have many wondering if the new Administration will be able to deliver on its promise. With nearly 12 million undocumented immigrants living and working in the United States, immigration reform remains a pressing topic of concern for communities and cities across the country.

This three-part series sponsored by the Women of Color Policy Network, NYU Wagner, the Migration Policy Institute, the Applied Research Center and the National Council of La Raza will bring together leading scholars, advocates, policy analysts, and practitioners to discuss the prospects of immigration reform in a vulnerable economy; raids and detention center abuses; the impact of immigration on women and families; pathways to citizenship; and what issues the new Administration should prioritize.

DELIVERING ON THE PROMISE: PROSPECTS FOR IMMIGRATION REFORM IN THE NEW ADMINISTRATION

April 14, 2009 • 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Join NYU Legal Scholar and Professor, Cristina Rodriguez as she discusses the dimensions of immigration law and policy that will be the most urgent for the Obama administration including questions regarding pathways to citizenship for unauthorized immigrants and enforcement and policing policies passed under the Bush Administration. will also explore strategies for prioritizing issues, the importance of fostering dialogue and cooperation with Mexico to build a truly bilateral immigration policy, and the role of Congress in shaping the legislative debate.

Opening Remarks: Laura Vazquez, Immigration Policy Analyst,
National Council of La Raza

Speaker: Cristina Rodriguez, Professor of Law, New York University
School of Law

SHIFTING COMMUNITIES: RACE, IMMIGRATION AND POLITICS IN AMERICAN SUBURBS

April 23, 2009 • 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

In this discussion, UCLA Assistant Professor Lorrie Frasure will examine factors and influences advance or discourage the socio-economic and political incorporation of immigrants and ethnic minorities living in American suburban jurisdictions.

Opening Remarks: Randy Capp,
Migration Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.

Speaker: Lorrie Frasure, Assistant Professor,
University of California, Los Angeles

A COUNTRY OF ONE'S OWN: RACE, CLASS, GENDER AND IMMIGRATION POLICY IN THE UNITED STATES

April 28, 2009 • 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

This panel of policy experts, advocates, and practitioners will focus on strategies for incorporating the needs of immigrant women and families in immigration policy at the local, state, and federal levels.

Discussants:

Irasema Garza, President, Legal Momentum (Moderator) *
Jessica Gonzalez, Associate Director of Policy and Advocacy,
National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health
Rinku Sen, Executive Director, Applied Research Center
Olga Vives, Executive Vice President,
National Organization of Women
Miriam Yeung, Executive Director,
National Asian Pacific Women's Forum

MAY

WAGNER WOMEN OF COLOR STUDENTS & FRIENDS END OF THE YEAR RECEPTION AT THE TORCH CLUB

May 4, 2009 • 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
NYU Torch Club, 18 Waverly Place, New York, New York

Join NYU Wagner Dean Ellen Schall, faculty, students, alumni, and staff of the Women of Color Policy Network to celebrate the end of the academic year and learn about the work and research of the Institute. Space is limited and RSVP is required.

Founded in 2000, as part of the Roundtable of Institutions of People of Color, the Women of Color Policy Network, an affiliate of the Research Center for Leadership in Action at the Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, NYU is the country's only research and policy institute focusing on women of color at a nationally ranked top ten public policy school. The Network conducts original research and collects critical data on women of color that is used to inform public policy outcomes at the local, state and national levels. The Network also serves as a hub for women of color scholars, leaders and practitioners.

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