

LEON S. PETERS ETHICS LECTURE SERIES

SPRING 2019

Bioethics: Interdisciplinary Perspectives February 20, 5:30-7:00 PM Peters Ed Auditorium (Student Rec Center)

An interdisciplinary panel of experts will discuss bioethics including scientific, philosophical, and theological approaches to questions and controversies in medicine and biomedical research. Topics will include genetic engineering and genetic screening.

- Joseph A. Ross, Ph.D., Depart. of Biology, Fresno State
- Tricia van Laar, Ph.D., Depart. of Biology, Fresno State
- Vadim Keyser, Ph.D., Depart. of Philosophy, Fresno State
- Michael Ryan, MS, RN, MAHCM, Vice President Mission Integration, Saint Agnes Medical Center

Quintard Taylor, "Six Little-Known Black Women Who Changed the American West (and the World)" March 14, 3:00-5:00 PM Library Room 2206

The Martin Luther King, Jr. and Gunnar Myrdal lecture will commemorate Black History and Women's History Months, with a discussion of Isabel de Olvera and other important women of color.

Dr. Quintard Taylor is Professor Emeritus at the University of Washington. He is the author of *In Search of the Racial Frontier: African Americans in the American West*. Cosponsored with Africana Studies

Andrew Fitz-Gibbon, "Spare the Rod and Spoil the Child: Children, Violence, and Gandhi's Vision of Nonviolence" Gandhi's Global Legacy Award Ceremony April 2, 5:30-7PM, Peters Ed Auditorium (Rec Center)

This event will honor award winning student work on "Gandhi's Global Legacy" (organized by Dr. Veena Howard), sponsored by JP & Renu Sethi Foundation.

Keynote address by Dr. Andrew Fitz-Gibbon, Professor of Philosophy and Director of the Center for Ethics, Peace and Social Justice at SUNY, Cortland. Fitz-Gibbon is the author of 14 books including *Love as a Guide to Morals* and *Talking to Terrorists*.

Bonner Center Character Education Conference April 5, 8:30AM-3:00 PM, Fresno Convention Center

Exemplary elementary schools from the Central Valley will be recognized for their work in character education. Breakout sessions will feature local experts discussing topics related to ethics, character, civics, and education.

Keynote address by Charles S. Poochigian, Associate Justice California Court of Appeals and former CA State Senator. More information: http://fresnostate.edu/kremen/bonnercenter/

Ethical and Political Issues and Transgender Identity April 23, 5:30-7:00 PM, Peters Ed (Student Rec Center)

A panel of faculty experts will discuss ethical and political issues pertaining to transgender identity. Topics will include the recent ban on trans-persons in the military. Faculty Panelists TBA.

Rabbi Jack Moline, "Interfaith Perspectives on Religious Liberty" May 2, 5:30-7:00 PM Peters Ed Auditorium (Student Rec Center)

A discussion of religious liberty and religious diversity on the "National Day of Prayer" by Rabbi Jack Moline, the President of the National Interfaith Alliance. Moline is Rabbi Emeritus of Agudas Achim Congregation in Alexandria, Virginia and adjunct faculty at the Jewish Theological Seminary and the Virginia Theological Seminary.

Cosponsored with the Interfaith Alliance of Central California

A Celebration of Ethical Leadership May 8 Luncheon: 11:30-1, Pardini's Banquet Hall

Honoring recipients of Fresno State's Ethical Leadership Award and the Better Business Bureau's Ethical Business Awards, as well as a Fresno State's student ethics award. With a keynote address and public lecture by Victoria R. Bernhardt, J.D., Attorney with McCormick Barstow LLP

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