

## ***Conference on the United Nation's Universal Declaration of Human Rights in Contemporary Perspective***

We are pleased to share with you the program for our upcoming conference marking the **70th anniversary of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights!** Our conference will revisit the status of this landmark 1948 document and place it in contemporary perspective: *How do human rights provisions apply to vulnerable, exploitable, expendable populations in today's world?*

***Conference dates: Monday, October 8, 2018 (12pm-2pm in FDC 118, & 2pm-9pm in Snider Hall), and Tuesday, October 9, 2018 (9:30am-12:30pm)***

**Conference webpage:** <https://www.csustan.edu/social-justice-conference/human-rights-conference>

In light of the numerous human rights challenges posed by institutional responses to migration, deportation, asylum-seekers and the rights claims of indigenous peoples within our own borders, featured conference talks will place this landmark declaration and several follow-up conventions in contemporary perspective by exploring how various human rights provisions should be applied to vulnerable, exploitable, expendable populations in today's world.



As one of many events worldwide calling attention to the 70th anniversary of the UN's Universal Declaration of Human Rights – and the status and contemporary relevance of important follow-up conventions and declarations relating to the human rights of refugees, migrant farmworkers and their families, discrimination against women, indigenous rights, and the rights of children – this conference will focus explicitly on contemporary issues relating to the human rights of migrants, indigenous peoples, children and other vulnerable groups, including women, offenders, asylum seekers, and those living in extreme poverty both within and beyond our borders.

**Overview of the SCHEDULE OF PRESENTATIONS (see next page for full conference program):**

**10/08 Opening program, with lunch buffet: Faculty Development Center--FDC 118 (12-2pm)**

**Afternoon sessions: Snider Hall (2-5pm)**

**Evening keynote program: Snider Hall (6-9pm), with 5pm reception in Snider Courtyard)**

**10/09 Morning sessions: FDC 118 (9:30am-12:30pm)**



## Conference Program:

### Opening Keynote session in Faculty Development Center—FDC 118 (12:00-1:45pm): (w/buffet lunch)

- 12:00-12:30pm Buffet Lunch begins (continuing through opening keynote talk)  
12:30 - 1:20pm **Andrew Conteh**, *"The Development of International Human Rights Law: Seven Decades After the Adoption of the UN's Universal Declaration of Human Rights"*  
1:20 - 1:45pm Follow-up questions & discussion (with overview of conference sessions, if time permits)  
1:45 - 2:00pm transit to Snider Hall (with a shuttle for those who need a ride across campus)

### Afternoon Program in Snider Hall (2pm-5pm):

- 2:00 - 2:40pm **Blake Wilson**, *"The International Criminal Court: the Legal Mandate for Prosecuting Human Rights Violations"*  
2:40 - 3:30pm **Alexandra Hiroopoulos**, *"Migration, Deportation and Xenophobia: How Human Rights Apply to Migrants, Asylum Seekers and Refugees in South Africa"*  
3:30 - 4:15pm **Asylum Seekers: Moria** (30 min. documentary screening--intro context set by Anne Di Grazia)  
4:15 - 5:00pm **Sean Anderson**, *"The Rules of Asylum and the Workings of Democracy: Where, Why and How Do Domestic Politics Matter?"*

### Keynote Reception—Snider Hall Courtyard:

- 5:10 – 5:50pm Informal discussion, appetizers

### Evening Keynote Program in Snider Hall (6pm-8:45pm):

- 6:00 - 7:00pm **Jean-Victor Nkolo** (OSAA, UN Secretariat) , *"Impact of Irregular Migration and Forced Displacement on Peace, Security and Development in Africa (and Beyond)"*  
7:00 - 7:40pm **Andrew Conteh**, *"The International Legal and Normative Framework of International Migration"*  
7:45 - 8:30pm **Tupac Enrique Acosta** (Judge, First Nations International Court of Justice) , *"From Civil Rights to Human Rights, From Indigenous Rights to the Defense of the Territorial Integrity of Mother Earth"*  
8:30 - 8:45pm *Indigenous musical coda: "Son del Desierto Collective"*

### Tuesday sessions in FDC 118 (9:30am-12:30pm):

- 9:30-10:15am **Laarni von Ruden** (President, UNA-USA Mid-Peninsula Chapter) : *"Cities for CEDAW: Promoting the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, One City at a Time"*  
10:15-11:00am **Denise Hecht** (Haven Center, Modesto) : *"Addressing Domestic Violence, Human Rights, and Support for Victims"*  
11:00-12:15pm **Quetzalli Enrique and Tupac Enrique Acosta**: *"State Sanctioned Violence and the Human Rights of Indigenous Peoples"*  
12:15-12:30pm *Closing musical coda: "Son del Desierto Collective"*

Link to United Nations materials related to the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights and follow-up conventions and declarations: <https://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/UniversalHumanRightsInstruments.aspx>

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