Upcoming Events

Sun, 11/18, 3pm
Pauli Murray’s Birthday Party and Youth Prophecy Poetry Contest Award Ceremony

Thurs, 11/29, 5pm
2012 WOLA/Duke Award Winner, Héctor Abad will read from his book, Oblivion: A Memoir

Thurs, 11/29, 6pm
John Prendergast, Ending the Deadliest War in the World: Conflict-Free Phones and Congo

Tues, 12/4, 7pm
Screening and discussion of the film, I for India

Duke Students Engage with Human Rights Issues in the U.S. and Abroad

By Sara Mussa, Class of 2016
The Humanitarian Challenges Focus Program for first-year students offers a unique course this semester on Human Rights in the United States. In this class, 18 students engage in deep discussions on current and historical human rights issues such as wage theft, poverty, immigration, sexuality and reproduction rights, and criminal justice...read more.

By Laura Brody, Class of 2016
On October 18th, students and faculty at Duke came together for a forum on Human Rights and Civic Engagement. Students who participated in DukeEngage programs gave interesting and inspiring presentations about their experiences in four different regions around the globe--Northern Ireland, South Africa, Cambodia and Arizona. For a glimpse into students’ experiences, I recommend the following blog posts: Cambodia, South Africa and Belfast.

More students to follow:

Patrick Oathout and Samantha Tropper
Winners of the 2012 Oliver W. Koonz Human Rights Prize

Stefani Jones
The Third Sudanese Civil War? A Borderwork(s) Project

Nyuol Tong
2012 WOLA and Duke University Human Rights Book Award Winner, Héctor Abad, receives news coverage in EFE and other Spanish language news.

DHRC@FHI Co-Chair, Bill Chafe, talks about his experiences on the Duke Immerse program on South Africa.

The Pauli Murray Project organizes a walk to commemorate the first "Freedom Ride."

Borderwork(s)

Spring Courses

At Home/On the Wall
Walls, borders and partitions shape, redirect, connect and disconnect flows of people, goods, ideas, resources, information and our imaginations... What does this mean for culture, economics and human rights?

Contemporary Art, Literature, and Media of the U.S.-Mexico Border
What is the role of images in thinking politics? In this class we'll engage with art, literature, and media as it helps us understand and imagine the political and social worlds of immigration and the border.

Human Rights and the Building a school in South Sudan

Faculty Spotlight

DHRC@FHI Co-Chair, Bill Chafe, spoke at the Kansas City Public Library about his new book, Bill and Hillary: The Politics of the Personal. Click here to watch the video on C-SPAN. Read the review in The Washington Post.

New and Notable at the Human Rights Archive

Abraham Joshua Heschel papers: Duke University recently acquired the papers of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, a scholar, writer and theologian who is widely recognized as one of the most influential religious leaders of the 20th century. Heschel was a highly visible and charismatic leader in the civil rights and anti-Vietnam War movements. Click here for more information.

Americans for Immigrant Justice Records: Formerly the Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center (FIAC), AIJ is a not-for-profit legal organization that advocates on behalf of immigrants and refugees, including those being held at detention centers such as Guantanamo, Krome and Turner Guilford Knight. The majority of the material in this collection deals with the Haitian refugee population in Florida. Click here for more information.

The Burma Video Archive: Part of The International Monitor Institute Records, the Burma Videotapes contain 268 videotapes spanning the dates 1992-2002, and comprise audiovisual materials documenting contemporary conflicts and human rights violations in Burma (Myanmar). Includes footage of Aung San Suu Kyi, the All Burma Students Democratic Front (ABSDF), the National League for Democracy (NLD), and the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), life in Burma under military regime, refugees and refugee camps (especially Karen refugees), political prisoners, survivor stories and forced labor. Click here for more information.

The Selig Harrison Papers: Selig Harrison, the director of the CIP's Asia Project, has specialized in South Asia and East Asia for fifty years as a journalist and scholar. These papers, an addition to the Center for International Policy records, comprise a broad survey of the political and economic relations throughout Asia and between the U.S. and Asia since the 1960s. Topics include nuclear armament in the Korean Peninsula, India-Pakistan relations and Iran. Click here for more information.
Environment
What is the relationship between human rights, environmental justice and civic engagement? How are issues pertaining to conflict and minerals extraction, global hunger and climate change related to human rights?

For an extended list of Spring 2013 classes in human rights click here.

An Opportunity for Students
Are you interested in being a part of a student group that works with the Duke Human Rights Center at the FHI on programming and events? Contact us!