



Duke Human Rights Center

AT THE FRANKLIN HUMANITIES INSTITUTE

December 2016



Community program to honor Pauli Murray's legacy.

DHRC@FHI Faculty Statement on Human Rights As a Core Value

We, the members of the Faculty Advisory Board, affirm that The Duke Human Rights Center @ the Franklin Humanities Institute is dedicated to teaching and practicing human rights both at home and abroad. As a university entity, we encourage our students to think deeply about human dignity and rights at the same time that they understand their history, development and practice. With this in mind, we take this extraordinary opportunity to reassert, for our faculty, staff and students, the critical importance of respect for human rights as a core value. Sexism, racism and hatred of the other based on ethnic origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability or religion are abhorrent. They are also violations of basic rights principles of equality and mutual respect, so essential to democracy.

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The Contributions of Juan Méndez

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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December 1-4 @ 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Lyon Park Recreation Center

[Rights! Camera! Action! A Girl in the River: The Price of Forgiveness](#)

January 19 @ 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Smith Warehouse, Bay 4

[Rights! Camera! Action! The Black Power Mixtape 1967-1975](#)

March 2 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Smith Warehouse, Bay 4

Featured Video



Dr. Sylvia Hood, "Pathways to Sustainable Justice"

Dr. Washington is an

The Human Rights Center acknowledges the vast contributions of Juan Méndez, who is ending his six-year position as the U.N. Special Rapporteur on Torture. A human rights lawyer and victim of torture himself, Méndez fought over issues such as solitary confinement, the death penalty, CIA accountability, and racial discrimination.



Méndez visited Duke in 2014 as part of a yearlong series [Commissioning Truths: Thirty Years after Nunca Mas](#), sponsored by the Duke Human Rights Center. This yearlong project culminated into the [Center's first e-book](#), which examines the work of truth commissions around the world.

To read more about Méndez's work in the U.N., click below.

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Oliver Koonz Human Rights Award

Have you written an recent essay or created a project that relates to Human Rights? If so, your work may be eligible for the 2017 Koonz award.



Essays can range in structure from analytic or critical essays, empirical research papers, term papers or personal essays on any human rights issue. Projects can be photo or video-based, theater pieces, scripts, or web pages.

Submit your projects to Emily.Stewart@duke.edu by the April 1st deadline to be considered. To read more about the award and its past recipients, click below.

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Summer Research Grants

Undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply for a research grant funded by the DHRC@FHI. Grants of up to \$2,000 are offered to projects centered around human rights, with special consideration given to projects contributing towards senior theses/projects.



Grant recipients must be directed by a Duke faculty member, and students must spend at least two weeks of their summer conducting their study. [Applications](#) must include a letter from your faculty member. Submit your

environmental epidemiologist, environmental engineer and environmental historian with 30 years of research experience working on the impact of industrial pollution on human health and ecosystems. She is a published author of *Packing Them In: An Archaeology of Environmental Racism in Chicago, 1865-1954* (2005) and *Echoes from the Poisoned Well: Global Memories of Environmental Injustice* (2006) and the creator and editor *Environmental Justice*. She was the first African American historian to study and publish a formal history of environmental injustices in the US in 2006.

Student Opportunity: SAF Internships



Student Action with Farmworkers is a North Carolina-based organization that connects students and advocates with farmworkers to raise awareness in the agricultural industry.

Their "From the Ground Up" program utilizes presentations and publications to inform community members about legislation and boycotts affecting farmworkers.

SAF is currently accepting applications for various positions, including internships and fellowships for the upcoming summer. If you would like to learn more, click [here!](#)

Student Opportunity: Duke Global Challenge

applications to Emily.Stewart@duke.edu by March 1st. A collection of past recipient's projects can be found [here](#).

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Reflection on *The Look of Silence*

On October 27th, the Duke Human Rights Center@FHI screened *The Look of Silence*, which follows Adi, an optometrist who travels around his community in Indonesia searching for information about the people who murdered his brother. As a work study student for the Duke Human Rights Center, I had little prior knowledge of this documentary before entering the room. However, within the first ten minutes, I was taken aback by Adi's story.



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The Duke Global Challenge gives student teams the opportunity to tackle the critically important step of going deeper on a social or environmental issue of interest before moving on to generating solutions. We will support students with workshops to learn how to structure analyses and dynamically present your findings in a way that experts and laymen can understand.

Winners of the Duke Global Challenge will compete at Oxford University's Global Challenge in the spring and compete for funding to "apprentice with the problem." [Register by December 7](#). The challenge takes place in early 2017.

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