

Spring 2009 Calendar

All events are free and open to the public

Tuesday, January 27

Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.

Restoring Human Rights After Bush

Glenn Greenwald, bestselling author and a contributing writer at Salon.com

What must President Obama do to reverse former President Bush's assault on our basic constitutional framework, reaffirm core American values, and protect basic human rights?

Thursday, January 29

Anita Tuviv Schlechter Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Generation Next and the 2008 Election

Jeff Milstein, senior broadcast producer
Scott Keeter, director of survey research at Pew Research Center

Adora Mora, documentary participant
John Fiske, documentary participant
Moderated by Judy Woodruff, award-winning PBS journalist

What role did young Americans play in electing the first African-American president in the historic 2008 election?

Wednesday, February 4

Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.

Just War Theory Revisited: Proportionality and Responsibility

Michael Walzer, Professor Emeritus at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton University

What are the underlying principles that distinguish just from unjust wars? In particular, how do the principles of proportionality and responsibility apply to situations of asymmetric warfare, such as the recent violence in the Gaza Strip?

Thursday, February 5

Holland Union Building, Mather's Theatre, 7:00 p.m.

You Never Get to Make Out

Dan Fishback, New York theater artist
Fishback will discuss the similarities between Jewish and queer identity through a series of amusing anecdotes, entertaining digressions, and stimulating insights.

Wednesday, February 11

Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.

7 Steps to Your Best Possible Healthcare

Ruthann Russo '80, author, Ph.D., JD, MPH, RHIT, *Metzger-Conway Fellow*
President Obama has reviewed Dr. Russo's book and provided supportive testimony for her work regarding how Americans can be proactive in their healthcare planning for themselves and their loved ones.

Thursday, February 12

Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.

Marching Toward Hell

Michael Scheuer, bestselling author and former head of the CIA's bin Laden Unit.

What policies should the Obama administration pursue with regard to Afghanistan, Iraq, Pakistan, and Iran in the ongoing war against terrorism?

Continuing the conversation

Immediately following, Stern 102

Thursday, February 19

Anita Tuviv Schlechter Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

The Financial Meltdown

Thomas Palley, economist, author, and founder of Economics for Democratic and Open Societies

George Selgin, author and professor of economics at The University of Georgia (on leave 2008-09)

What policies are necessary to deal with the near-collapse of the United States financial system and prevent similar crises in the future?

Monday, February 23

Stern Center, Great Room, 9:00 a.m.

An all-day conference co-sponsored by the University of Maine and Dickinson College

What's Wrong with Public Service? A Challenge for Higher Education

In the context of recent proposals to create a public service academy, what are the advantages and disadvantages of a public service

Thursday, February 26

Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.

Science for a Crowded Planet

Mark Myers, director, United States Geological Survey

Although most people throughout human history have regarded earth's basic resources as inexhaustible, in today's crowded world we must act together to mitigate and adapt to the risks generated by a rapidly changing world.

Tuesday, March 3

Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.

Free the Internet?

Chuck Cosson, '88, senior policy counsel, Microsoft, author, and *Metzger-Conway Fellow*

Governments around the world are pressuring internet-related companies to comply with local laws that arguably conflict with internationally recognized human rights of freedom of expression and privacy. How should companies like Microsoft respond?

Monday and Tuesday, March 16-17

Anita Tuviv Schlechter Auditorium

America's Role and Image in the World

Monday, March 16, 7:00 p.m.

Uncle Sam Lampooned

Joe Szabo, author and lecturer
How America is perceived around the world through cartoons and illustrations by world-famous artists

and cartoonists and through interviews conducted in over sixty countries.

Tuesday, March 17, 7:00 p.m.
How Green are Human Rights? An International Perspective

A panel of experts from Dickinson's partner universities abroad will discuss how different cultures assess the positive and negative interactions between human rights and environmental sustainability.

Thursday, March 19
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: Two States or One?

Philip Wilcox, president of The Foundation for Middle East Peace
Why has the conflict between Israelis and Palestinians been so intractable, and will President Obama's policy succeed in bringing about real peace?

Continuing the conversation
Immediately following, Stern 102

Tuesday, March 24 - Rush Award
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Leading With Integrity

Derek Hathaway, recently retired chairman and chief executive officer of Harsco Corporation

Despite what cynics and so-called realists claim, integrity is fundamental in all professions and in all walks of life.

Wednesday, March, 25
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Is Choice a Human Right?

Loretta Ross, founding member and national coordinator of SisterSong
What is reproductive justice and how is it related to human rights?

Monday, March 30
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Voice of the 'Disappeared' of Latin America

Alicia Partnoy, author and human rights activist from Argentina
A survivor's perspective on the role of the writer in the struggle against femicide and the “disappearing” of political dissidents in Latin America.

Thursday, April 2 - Morgan Lecture
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Challenges to Civil Liberties
Nadine Strossen, former president of the American Civil Liberties Union (1991-2008)

An interactive and informal conversation with Nadine Strossen concerning current and future threats and challenges to civil liberties.

Tuesday, April 7
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
The End of Slavery
Kevin Bales, author and president of Free the Slaves

The world's leading expert on contemporary slavery will share his vision on how to end slavery in our time.

Monday, April 13
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Euthanasia: Whose Right to Die is It?
Dr. Greg Lewis, Carlisle physician
Carol Poenisch, daughter of a patient who died with the assistance of Dr. Kevorkian

Jim Hoefler, Dickinson professor of political science and policy studies
A panel discussion reflecting diverse perspectives, viewpoints, and experiences regarding physician-assisted suicide.

Continuing the conversation
Immediately following, Stern 102

Tuesday, April 14
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
Toxins: Toys to Toothpaste
Pete Myers, founder, CEO and chief scientist of Environmental Health Sciences

Revolutionary advances in the environmental health sciences have discovered that low exposure to materials found in many of today's consumer products -- materials once thought safe -- in fact have adverse consequences to human health.

Tuesday, April 28
Stern Center, Great Room, 7:00 p.m.
From the Edge of History
Ted Sorensen, former counsel to John F. Kennedy and author

Ted Sorensen speaks about his life as a counselor to President John F. Kennedy and the Kennedy family during the McCarthy era, the Cuban

Missile crisis, the Vietnam War, and the period following the assassination of JFK. Following his talk, Mr. Sorensen will personally sign copies of his recently published memoir titled *Counselor: A Life at the Edge of History*.

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