Call for Papers, Disability Law Section, AALS 2021 Annual Meeting

The AALS Section on Disability Law is pleased to announce a call for papers for each of our two planned panels at the AALS 2021 Annual Meeting, *Disability and Intersectionality: Celebrating 30 Years of Intersectionality and the ADA* and *Disability and COVID-19: Lessons from Disability, Lessons from the Pandemic*.

You are welcome to submit for either or both panels -- Please indicate in your submission whether you are submitting for Panel #1, Panel #2 or both Panels.

Panel #1: Disability and Intersectionality: Celebrating 30 Years of Intersectionality and the ADA

2020 marks the 30th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act and a little over 30 years since Kimberlé Crenshaw’s seminal article *Demarginalizing the Intersection of Race and Sex, a Black Feminist Critique of Antidiscrimination Doctrine, Feminist Theory and Antiracist Politics*. In celebration of these overlapping anniversaries, this panel will bring together a wide array of scholars doing work at the intersection of disability and other experiences, including race, immigration status, gender, and more.

Confirmed panelists include Rabia Belt (Stanford), Jamelia Morgan (UConn School of Law), Katherine Perez (Loyola Law School), and Jennifer Shinall (Vanderbilt). The panel is co-sponsored by the Civil Rights Section, Minority Groups Section, Section on Women in Legal Education, Aging and Law Section, Section on Law & Mental Disability, and the Section on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues.

We encourage scholars from a broad range of backgrounds, including but not limited to, disability law, disability studies, critical legal studies, civil rights law, and equality law to submit proposals for consideration. Please email your abstract to Katie Eyer at katie.eyer@rutgers.edu by Friday August 28, 2020.

Panel #2: Disability and COVID-19: Lessons from Disability, Lessons from the Pandemic

This panel brings together scholars and activists to discuss issues relating to disability and COVID-19, including rationing of health care, disability-centered decarceration as a pandemic response, accommodation of those with and without disabilities during and outside of the pandemic, COVID-19’s racially disparate effects, and more. As the presentations will explore, the pandemic has both exposed the limited commitment of the United States to disability equality, while simultaneously opening up opportunities for new forms of disability advocacy. Panelists will explore current efforts to address disability discrimination during the pandemic, as well as insights for post-pandemic law and policy from the current moment.

Confirmed panelists include Samuel Bagenstos (University of Michigan Law School), Jasmine Harris (UC Davis School of Law), Talila Lewis (Community Lawyer & Consultant), and Katherine
Macfarlane (University of Idaho College of Law), and is co-sponsored by the Section on Law, Medicine and Health Care.

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