

the **6 O'CLOCK** series

SPRING 2019

February 4

CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH WITH JOSH GIBSON'S NEGRO LEAGUE TOUR

Join us for this program, sponsored by the Office for Multicultural Affairs and Student Success, and learn about the Hall of Fame great Josh Gibson from the legend's great-grandson, Sean Gibson. The program will include a special appearance by living legend, former negro league player, Pedro Sierra. Come check out fascinating memorabilia, get an autograph, and celebrate Black History Month!

February 11

BUSINESS ATTIRE FASHION SHOW

Are you getting ready to interview for an internship or full-time job? Or maybe you are thinking about attending a networking event? Still not sure what business casual really means? Whatever the occasion, understanding professional attire and how to present yourself is key to making a great first impression! Join the Career and Professional Development Center and JCPenneys as they demonstrate what to wear and what not to wear in these professional settings.

February 18

FREEDOM FROM SPEECH AND DISEMPOWERING A GENERATION

Greg Lukianoff, president of the Foundation for Individual Rights on Education (FIRE), will discuss his book, "The Coddling of the American Mind: How Good Intentions and Bad Intentions Are Setting Up a Generation for Failure." Join us for this program as part of the Year of Free Speech and its role on a college campus.

February 25

ITALIANS AND THE HOLOCAUST: 80 YEARS ON

Eighty years ago, the Italian Government began a series of Antisemitic measures that led to Italy's participation in the Holocaust. And yet, up until that point, many Italians had boasted that they were different from other Europeans when it came to the so-called "Jewish Question" and certainly different from their new allies in Nazi Germany. So, how can one explain the subsequent Italian persecution of Jews? And, what lessons can we learn now from a consideration of the case of Antisemitism?

March 4

MORE THAN A FEELING: LEADING WITH EMPATHY

Have you ever been irritated with a colleague who missed another meeting? Upset with someone in your group project who didn't do their part? Frustrated with students who join the organization, but don't pay their dues? Leading peers in organizations and on-campus jobs can be challenging, especially when they don't do what we expect of them. But what about missing a meeting because your abusive partner wouldn't let you leave? Or missing schoolwork because you're working three jobs to afford college? Tina VanSteenbergen will discuss how to understand the real experiences of our fellow colleagues and students using empathy and compassion for each other.

March 18

ALUMNI PANEL: LIFE AND SUCCESS AFTER IUP

Do you ever wonder what life after IUP will be like? What career you will have, how you will get there, and what you should be doing along the way to make sure you are prepared? Join a panel of some of our successful IUP Alumni as they come back to campus to share advice, tips, and stories with current students. You'll not only learn how they got to where they are now, but how IUP helped them to get there. There will also be time for Q&A.

March 25

DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS FROM A FAITH-BASED PERSPECTIVE

Join the Council on Spiritual and Religious Life (CSRL) for a panel discussion on respectfully engaging in difficult dialogue. Panel members of different faiths will discuss how to have conversations that might not always be comfortable but are important, and how to do so in an appropriate manner.

April 1

OSAMA ALOMAR: A VOICE FROM SYRIA

Osama Alomar, an exiled poet/fiction writer from Syria, is currently living in Pittsburgh as a guest of City of Asylum, a home for exiled writers from around the world. His publications include "The Teeth of the Comb & Other Stories" and "Fullblood Arabian" (poetry). He will share some of his poetry and fiction in relation to his life in Syria and the political situation there in the midst of oppression and war.

April 8

THE DANGERS OF HATE: A PANEL DISCUSSION WITH HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND SCHOLARS

With the escalation of hate, this discussion about the dangers of hate is more important every day. Holocaust survivors Judah Samet, Solange Lebowitz, Shulamit Bastacky, and Moshe Baran will talk about their experiences surrounding the Holocaust. Scholars Mahal Freidman, Peter Black, and Martin Dean will discuss other victims of hate, past and current Antisemitism, and how ordinary citizens, police, and military members became killers or bystanders to murder during the Holocaust.

April 15

FREE SPEECH: WHAT DOES IT MEAN ON A UNIVERSITY CAMPUS?

Freedom of speech is not only an important individual right, it's essential to a healthy democracy, and absolutely vital to the core mission of the University. As a public university, IUP is committed to the ideals of free speech protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution. But what exactly does that mean? Join members of the IUP Free Speech Project, as we continue this important discussion.

April 22

MIGRANT WORKERS, INDIANA COUNTY AND BEYOND

This panel discussion will focus on issues that face migrant workers in Indiana County and how they impact its local agricultural and food service industries. These issues have received little public attention and discussion, especially with regard to the local need and void of "unskilled labor" occupations that include hazardous work conditions, unskilled pay rates, and fulfilling long hours of work. Occupations include those in the poultry industry, the dairy industry, farming, horticulture, and harvesting agricultural produce. The panel will discuss what impact these workers have on the Indiana County economy, including tax payments, social services, and welfare assistance. The panel will also review what social contributions and local problems arise with regard to both documented and undocumented immigrant workers.

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