# The Ethnic Studies Seminar Series: Borders, Barriers, Separations, and Immigration

## Thursday, February 21, 2019

"History of US-Mexico Migration: Race, Economics, and Power"
Dr. Miguel Ceballos, WCU Sociology
3:30 – 4:20 pm
203 Old Library Building
A sociohistorical examination of US-Mexico migration, 1846 to the present.

#### Thursday, March 7, 2019

"Mass Imprisonment in America" Sam Mihara and Joe Abo 3:20 – 5:40 pm Autograph Library, Philips Memorial Building

Sam Mihara, second generation Japanese American (Nisei) interned at the Heart Mountain Japanese Relocation Camp in Wyoming during WWII. He will discuss his experience in the camp and the history of the Japanese American internment. He will also relate his experience to today's imprisonment of Latino undocumented immigrants and the registration of Muslims. (3:20 pm – 4:20 pm)

Joe Abo, third generation Japanese American (Sansei) was interned at the Tule Lake Relocation Camp in California. He will discuss the legal case won by Wayne Collins for Japanese American renunciants: U.S. citizens who regained their citizenship after being pressured to renounce their citizenship during WWII. (4:25-5:40 pm)

#### Thursday, April 4, 2019

"Sonora/Sahara/Syria: Immigration and Borders"
Samer Abboud (Villanova University), Edna Pepi (Yale University), Francisco Robles (University of Notre Dame), and Daniela Johannes (WCU Languages and Cultures)
12:30 – 1:45 pm
Sykes Union Ballroom C
A panel discussion on Sonora, Sahara, and Syrian Deserts functioning simultaneously as contact zones and battle zones: lands of crossing goods and peoples and zones of indefinite detentions and brutal death.

## Thursday, April 25, 2019

"Illegality of Immigration" Dr. Daniela Johannes, WCU Languages and Cultures, Dr. Miguel Ceballos, WCU Sociology 12:30 – 1:45 pm 255 Sykes Union A panel discussion on the criminalization of immigrants and the immigration process.

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