

University of Washington Disability Studies Program presents

Eugenics and Disability: History and Legacy in Washington



Friday, October 9, 2009
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

University of Washington
Tower Auditorium
4333 Brooklyn Avenue NE
Seattle, Washington 98195

This event is free and open to the public

eu·gen·ics (yōō-jěn'ĩks)

noun. the study of or belief in improving the human species by discouraging reproduction by persons presumed to have inheritable undesirable traits or encouraging reproduction by persons presumed to have inheritable desirable traits. Origin: 1883, from Greek "well-born." *Based on Random House Dictionary, 2009*

Registration is required

To register for the symposium go to
<http://eugenics.washington.edu/>

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One-day Symposium

In 1909, Washington became the second state to enact a law for the forced sterilization of people considered to be biologically inferior.

- Why was eugenics so popular during the early 20th century, and who was impacted?
- What is the significance of the hidden and complex history of eugenics in 2009?

This event will provide a forum for dialogue about Washington's eugenic past and its current implications. The roundtable format will include ample time for audience discussion.

For information about symposium content contact Joanne Woiak, jwoiak@uw.edu

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9 to 11:30 a.m.

Disability in the History of Eugenics

Speaker: Joanne Woiak, UW Disability Studies
Moderator: Phillip Thurtle, UW CHID, UW History

Panelists:

Mark Largent, Michigan State University
Stephen Jones, Washington State University
Michael Rembis, University of Notre Dame
Ileana Rodriguez-Silva, UW History

12:30 to 3 p.m.

Perspectives on the Relevance of Eugenics Today

Speaker: Wylie Burke, UW Bioethics & Humanities
Moderator: David Carlson, Disability Rights Washington

Panelists:

Sherrie Brown, UW CHDD, UW Disability Studies
Emily Rogers, The Arc of Washington State
Robert Resta, Swedish Medical Center
Anna Stubblefield, Rutgers University-Newark

Box lunch provided at no cost to registered attendees

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