



OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: LPS COLLOQUIUM WELCOMES GUEST SPEAKER DR. DANIEL PLATT ON MARCH 31

The LPS Colloquium class continues its guest lecture series next Friday, March 31, with Dr. Daniel Platt whose lecture topic is "The Meaning of Innocence in the Age of Incarceration." The series is open to the public, and attendees are welcome to attend in-person or online via Zoom.



Dr. Daniel Platt

Daniel Platt is an assistant professor of legal studies at the University of Illinois Springfield. His teaching and research focus on moral problems in the law, with an emphasis on issues of freedom, coercion, and captivity. He has published articles in the *Journal of American History* and *History of the Present*.

Dr. Platt's book, *The Price of Misfortune: Rights and Wrongs in Indebted America*, will be published by University of Chicago Press in Fall 2023.

Professor Platt will be discussing his current research on innocence narratives in the age of mass incarceration. What did it mean, as the United States dramatically expanded its power to police and imprison in the late twentieth century, for criminal justice reformers, cause lawyers, and progressive journalists to dwell on cases of wrongful conviction? Did tales of false testimony, coerced confessions, and DNA exoneration challenge the new punitive consensus or legitimize it?

Interested in attending? Join us in-person on Friday, March 31 from 10:30-12PM in Collier-Scripps Hall, Room 301. Coffee, cookies and hot chocolate will be provided. Or attend via Zoom! to register for the Zoom link, sign up via Evenbrite at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/x/lps-colloquium-tickets-536196196257>, or use the QR Code below. We hope to see you there!



OPPORTUNITIES FOR LPS STUDENTS: CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
LPS students have many opportunities to get involved and participate in civic engagement here at Drake. With these experiences, LPS students have the chance to become active leaders within the Drake community and beyond. Visit the LPS website for a list of organizations & opportunities, including the two student-led political groups on campus featured below.
<https://www.drake.edu/lps/studentresources/organizations/>

DRAKE DEMOCRATS

"We college students are entering a hectic political world. From global warming to anti-LGBTQ legislation to restricted reproductive rights to systemic racism to late-stage capitalism. We care about these issues, but we might not know how we can make an impact. That's why Drake Democrats was created. We are a student organization that makes it easy for students to stand up for social justice and human rights. We're building a community where like-minded college students can raise their voices, stay up to date on political happenings, and gain first-hand professional experience in politics."
Drake Democrats meet regularly twice a month at 8 PM, but also frequently host events on other days. Students can sign up at bit.ly/DrakeDems.

To learn more, contact them here:

- Instagram: @drakedems
- Email: @democrats.drake@gmail.com

DRAKE REPUBLICANS

"Drake College Republicans is a student organization that aims to amplify Republican voices, build professional connections, and connect like-minded students within and beyond the Drake community. The group welcomes all students interested in Republican politics."

To learn more, contact them here:

- Instagram: @drake_college_republicans
- Email: collegerepublicans@drake.edu



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HARKIN INSTITUTE'S D.C. EXPERIENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

WEBSITE: [HTTPS://HARKININSTITUTE.DRAKE.EDU/FOR-STUDENTS/SCHOLARSHIPS-2/SCHOLARSHIPS/](https://harkinstitute.drake.edu/for-students/scholarships-2/scholarships/)

Applications for The Harkin Institute's D.C. Experience Scholarships are now open! These awards are available to Drake University students with an internship for a non-profit organization, congressional office, or government agency in Washington D.C. The scholarship covers housing accommodations from May to August 2023, a non-refundable room deposit, and up to \$500 in travel expenses. There are two scholarships available:

- **The Harkin Institute D.C. Experience Scholarship** is open to undergraduate students with a minimum GPA of 2.75 who have secured a summer internship in Washington D.C.
- **The Robert J. Waters and Patricia J. Beneke Endowed Washington, D.C. Experience Scholarship** is open to undergraduate and graduate students (including law students) with a minimum GPA of 3.25 and an internship in the areas outlined on The Harkin Institute website.

APPLY NOW THROUGH APRIL 10, 2023-- VISIT THE HARKIN INSTITUTE'S WEBSITE AT THE URL ABOVE!



STUDENT TRAVEL AND RESEARCH (STAR) FUND, OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES WEBSITE:

[HTTPS://WWW.DRAKE.EDU/ARTSCI/STUDENTRESOURCES/FUNDINGOPPORTUNITIES/STARFUNDGUIDELINES/](https://www.drake.edu/artsci/studentresources/fundingopportunities/starfundguidelines/)

The Office of the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences values student participation in research and conference presentations--bridging the gap between undergraduate courses and graduate studies or future professional opportunities. The Drake University STAR Fund provides grants to allow you to travel to an academic conference, present your first academic paper, or travel to perform scholarly research. Awards are given up to \$350.

Application process includes providing a brief description of the opportunity, how the activity is related to learning goals in class or in your major program, a recommendation from a faculty member and memo of approval from the chair of the department or director of the program, and a brief budget. Following a successful award students will be required to submit a brief report on their experience indicating 1) the use of funds with receipts attached for expenses, and 2) the quality of the learning/research/performance activity and what they derived from it.

Visit the URL above for complete guidelines for applying. Materials are submitted to the Dean's office via email at ask.as@drake.edu. **Proposals will be reviewed on a rolling basis until funds are no longer available**