Lakshmi Arya
The Relation to Oneself and to Others: Thinking Cultural Difference
Tuesday, April 15 at 2:00 PM
How do different cultures pose and answer the question: Who am I? Or, the question of the self. When anthropologists compare models of selfhood, they posit a communitarian / familial self in Indian (and more generally, Asian) cultures, against an individualistic self in the West.

Anthony Michael Kreis
Unhinging Same-Sex Marriage from the Constitutional Canon
Friday, April 18 at 10:00 AM
The talk will critique the dissenting opinions in the recent same-sex marriage decision, Windsor v. United States. Specifically, it will assess the dissenters’ poor use of history and tradition. By comparing the history of same-sex marriage and the historical trends relating to anti-miscegenation statutes and prisoner marriage restrictions, the talk will evidence how Justices Scalia, Thomas, and Alito erred in Windsor.

Wendy Hesford
Vulnerabilities: Child Soldiers as Human Rights Subjects
Wednesday, April 23 at 2:30 PM
This presentation explores how state of exception mechanisms map vulnerability onto certain children’s bodies and not others, and how these bodies take on the burden of representation in international human rights law and advocacy. Hesford examines how the intersecting discourses of exceptionality and vulnerability play out in legal and cultural representations of the child soldier.

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