San Francisco State University has a proud tradition of sponsoring Constitution and Citizenship Day conferences that have featured the participation of a large number of students, faculty, and community members. The conference provides multiple opportunities to reflect critically on the past, present, and future of constitutional rights, freedoms, citizenship, democracy, equality, and justice. This year’s conference organizing committee is pleased to announce our 2017 keynote speakers: Robin D. G. Kelley (University of California, Los Angeles) and Shirin Sinnar (Stanford University).


Shirin Sinnar, who will present “What Good are Courts? Travel Bans, National Security, and the Mixed Promise of the Law” on 19 September at 4:00 p.m., is an associate professor of law and the John A. Wilson Distinguished Faculty Scholar at Stanford Law School. She writes on the role of institutions, including courts and executive branch agencies, in protecting individual rights and democratic values in the national security context, and on the impact of counterterrorism policies on U.S. minority and immigrant communities. Her articles have been published in the *Harvard Law Review, Stanford Law Review, Georgetown Law Journal, Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review*, and other journals. Prior to joining academia, she worked for five years as a civil rights lawyer with the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights of San Francisco and the Asian Law Caucus.

Further details about the conference program will be announced in the coming weeks. For additional information, see https://history.sfsu.edu/content/constitution-day.
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