The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues
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present a Congressional Lunch Seminar

Ableism: The Causes and Consequences of Disability Prejudice

Tuesday, November 5, 12:00 – 1:15 pm
2045 Rayburn House Office Building

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Dr. Nario-Redmond specializes in Disability Studies and the psychology of stereotyping and prejudice. During this event, she will provide an overview of research evidence on the many forms of prejudice disabled people face, along with the reasons that drive people to express their fears, curiosities, and good intentions in ways that perpetuate inequality and misunderstanding. Disentangling the roots of disability prejudice, Dr. Nario-Redmond will then discuss specific strategies for combating distinct forms of ableism and the individual and coalitional approaches disabled people have used to resist discrimination and promote human rights. Dr. Nario-Redmond is a Professor of Psychology and Professor of Biomedical Humanities at Hiram College in Ohio and recently authored the first comprehensive volume to be published that integrates social-scientific literature on the origins and manifestations of prejudice against disabled people.

This is a widely attended event.

This event will be livestreamed on Facebook at www.facebook.com/spssi
and video archived on YouTube at www.youtube.com/spssi.
Michelle R. Nario-Redmond, Ph.D., is a Professor of Psychology and Professor of Biomedical Humanities at Hiram College. She specializes in stereotyping, prejudice, and disability studies. Her research focuses on group identification and political advocacy; strategies for coping with stigma; and the unintended consequences of simulating disability. She is passionate about social justice, Universal Design for Learning, and increasing access to higher education. Dr. Nario-Redmond enjoys collaborating with students on independent research, created a school-based program on disability culture, and just finished her first book, Ableism: The Causes and Consequences of Disability Prejudice.

Dr. Nario-Redmond has also contributed chapters to Wiley-Blackwell’s Handbook of Positive Psychological Interventions and AHEAD’s Disabled Faculty and Staff in a Disabling Society, and has published in Rehabilitation Psychology, British Journal of Social Psychology, Emerging Adulthood, Personality & Social Psychology Bulletin, Perspectives on Psychological Science, Self & Identity, and Social Cognition. Dr. Nario-Redmond’s contact information is nariomr@hiram.edu.

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