



The Society for the  
Psychological Study of  
Social Issues  
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**The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues  
in conjunction with the Honorable Jim McGovern**

presents a Congressional Lunch Seminar:

**The Psychology of Immigration in the United States**  
**Monday, September 21, 12:00 – 1:15 pm, B-369 Rayburn**

**Dina Birman, Ph.D.,**  
Associate Professor of Educational and Psychological Studies,  
Director, Community Well-Being Program,  
University of Miami

Immigration policy remains one of the most controversial topics in the United States today. In this seminar, Dr. Birman will discuss empirically supported psychological factors related to the experience of immigration, including the mental and behavioral health needs of immigrants of all ages. She will address the effects of acculturation, prejudice, and immigration policies on individuals, their families, and broader society. Finally, Dr. Birman will discuss the social psychological effects of the increasing immigrant populations in the United States, and will make policy recommendations to address the needs of immigrants and their host communities, and the United States at large.

All members and staff are invited. Space is limited, so please RSVP  
to Brad Sickels ([bsickels@spssi.org](mailto:bsickels@spssi.org))  
by September 18 to confirm your attendance.

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*This series is designed to shed light on the psychological dimensions of currently debated policy issues. The seminars provide attendees with psychological data and insights to help inform the creation of scientific, empirically supported social policy solutions. Each seminar features a prominent, nationally renowned psychological researcher with particular expertise on a topic of interest. Lunch will be provided.*

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**November 10, 2015**