

**Department of Justice Studies,  
Department of Anthropology  
&  
University of Exeter**

**Present  
A Roundtable Discussion**

# **Human Rights 2.0**

## **The Role of Youth Activism during Political Change**

**Tuesday, Nov 15, 2016  
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm**

Montclair State University  
Dickson Hall, Cohen Lounge  
Montclair, NJ



**MODERATOR**

Gabriel Rubin

### **PARTICIPANTS**



Arnaud Kurze



Cindy Reiff



Maisa Taha

### **Synopsis**

The wave of uprisings during the Arab Spring led by a young generation of protesters has put the question of youth activism and alternative forms of human rights advocacy center stage in recent years. This roundtable discussion brings together several experts analyzing the impact of youth in times of change across the Mediterranean basin region. Topics center around youth and immigration, art and political change as well as the role of the internet during democratization periods.

The discussion will be led by Gabriel Rubin, Professor of Justice Studies and expert on land rights and migration issues. Cindy Reiff from the University of Exeter (England), our special guest, is a seasoned researcher on Tunisian politics and the role of youth during democratic transitions. She is joined by Maisa Taha, Professor of Anthropology, whose research on state-society relations in Spain focuses on immigration and social justice and Arnaud Kurze, Professor of Justice Studies, who works on transitional justice and social movements in the Balkans and North Africa, particularly studying the role of art in transition processes.