

Diversity Lecture

DEATH, VIOLENCE & DEPORTATION: THE POLITICS OF CHILDREN'S SUFFERING

AT THE US-MEXICO BORDER

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Dr. Negrón-Gonzales will talk about the killing of three teenage boys – Sergio Adrían Hernández Guereca, José Antonio Elena Rodríguez and Cruz Marcelino Velasquez Acevedo – at the US-Mexico border between 2010 and 2013. Through an examination of these murders at the hands of US Border Patrol and Customs and Border Enforcement Agents, she will discuss how these killings demonstrate that not all children are afforded the so-called universal protection of childhood. She will also draw the connection to the deportation regime, and her 15+ years of researching undocumented young people, to discuss the politics of children's suffering at the border and under the inhumane immigration system.

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