



CELEBRATE CONSTITUTION DAY AT SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

September 12-17, 2011

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September 16, 2011

States' Rights and the Fourteenth Amendment:

The US Civil War and Its Legacy in the Controversies of the Early 21st Century.

12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., G-101

(FLEX Workshop number 64225)

- For the September 16th observance of Constitution Day, a faculty panel will present a brief historical overview of the states' rights position in the political and constitutional history of the US, examining how controversy over this theory of government drove the United States into civil war, 150 years ago.
- The panel will then focus on subsequent constitutional battles over the federal government's efforts to apply the Fourteenth Amendment (1868) in law and opponents' appeals to the sovereign rights of states. The conflict over just how far the authority of the federal government extends in law and the competing interests of the states respectively in having relative political autonomy continues to embroil national politics, while influencing the quality of our daily lives. Cases in point include struggles over national health care, environmental regulation, education policy, civil rights protections, and immigration policy.
- Panelist: Professors Jonathan McLeod, Michelle Rodriguez, and Manuel Velez
Talk about a hot topic! Come listen and join the discussion.

**Constitution Day is an American federal observance that recognizes the adoption of the United States Constitution.
The day is observed on September 17th, the day the U.S. Constitutional Convention signed the Constitution in 1787.**

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