

The Department of Political Science's Annual Human Rights Lecture Series presents:

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The Effects and Effectiveness of Human Rights Campaigns

Human rights practitioners often assume that information about and awareness of human rights is one of the primary means to prevent and address their violation. Because rights awareness is so important for individual empowerment, civil society organizations and government agencies implement a wide variety of campaigns that disseminate human rights information. Despite this reliance on campaigns as the hammer in our human rights toolkit, we know little about the conditions for their success and failure. This talk assesses the interdisciplinary state of knowledge regarding the effects, both intended and unintended, of human rights awareness campaigns and the characteristics that make such awareness campaigns effective.

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