

Feminist Legal Studies Queen's and the Faculty of Law Speakers Series present:



LINDA STEELE

HUMAN RIGHTS AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN WITH DISABILITY:

THEORETICAL AND LEGAL BARRIERS

Linda Steele is a lecturer in the School of Law and a member of Legal Intersections Research Centre, University of Wollongong, Australia. She is a visiting researcher at Osgoode Hall Law School, York University during September-October 2016. She holds a BA(Gender Studies) and LLB(Hons) from University of Wollongong, a Masters of Public and International Law from University of Melbourne and a PhD from University of Sydney. Linda's research explores the intersections of disability, law and injustice. Her research is interdisciplinary, drawing on diverse critical theories and empirical research methods to provide new approaches to understanding and responding to contemporary disability law and policy issues. Her current research projects focus on: (1) punishment of people with disability, and (2) violence against people with disability. Linda has co-edited the following special issues: 'Disability at the Peripheries: Legal Theory, Disability and Criminal Law' (2014) *Griffith Law Review* and 'Medical Bodies: Gender, Justice and Medicine' (2016) *Australian Feminist Studies*, and is currently co-editing the following two special issues to be published in 2017: 'Normalcy and Disability: Intersections Among Norms, Law, and Culture' *Continuum* and 'Disability, Rights and Law Reform in Australia - Recent Trends' *Law in Context*. Linda is active in policy and law reform debates related to disability rights and her submissions and scholarship have been cited and used in domestic and international law reform contexts. Linda has been a board member of the Women in Prison Advocacy Network since 2008.



Friday, September 30, 2016
1:00pm-2:30pm, Macdonald Hall 202

All students welcome

Light lunch provided