2016 Midwest Regional Colloquium on International Law and International Organization

McKenna Hall, Room 200 | University of Notre Dame

Friday, March 4th

7:45am-8:30am: Continental Breakfast in the McKenna Hall Dining Room

Session I

8:30-9 Caroline de Lima e Silva, University of Copenhagen and Northwestern University. “Beyond the Constitutionality of the Brazilian Amnesty Law: Crimes Against Humanity as a Case Study to Understand the Brazilian Supreme Federal Tribunal’s (STF) Behavior and Struggles of Civil Society.” Discussant: Jason Renn, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign


9:30-10 Emilia Justyna Powell and Steven McDowell, University of Notre Dame. “Islamic Sovereignty Norms and Peaceful Settlement of Territorial Disputes.” Discussant: Nisha Fazal, University of Notre Dame
10am-10:30am: Coffee break

Session II


11:30-12 Nisha Fazal and Rita Konaev, University of Notre Dame. “Rebels and Landmines: When and Why do Rebel Groups Commit to Adhere to the Laws of War?” Discussant: Emilia Justyna Powell, University of Notre Dame

12pm-1pm: Lunch

Session III

1-1:30 Karen Alter, Northwestern University. “The Judicialization of International Politics.” Discussant: Mary Ellen O’Connell, University of Notre Dame


2-2:30 Xinyuan Dai and Jason Renn, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. “Why Commit to International Human Rights Treaties?” Discussant: Ian Hurd, Northwestern University

2:30pm-3pm: Coffee break

Session IV

3-3:30 Barbara Koremenos, University of Michigan. “An Economic Analysis of International Rulemaking.” Discussant: Xinyuan Dai, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign


6:30pm Dinner at Café Navarre (for invited participants)