

Thelton E. Henderson Center for Social Justice



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"The Challenges of Promoting and Protecting Gender Equality in South Africa"

Rashida Manjoo is currently a visiting fellow in the Human Rights Program at Harvard Law School. She is an Advocate of the High Court of South Africa and a member of the Commission on Gender Equality (CGE), a constitutional body mandated to oversee the promotion and protection of gender equality. Prior to being appointed to the CGE she was involved in social context training for judges and lawyers, where she has designed both content and methodology during her time at the Law, Race, and Gender Research Unit—University of Cape Town and at the University of Natal, Durban. Manjoo was involved in setting up both a national and a provincial network on violence against women and is the founder of the Gender Unit at the Law Clinic at the University of Natal and the Domestic Violence Assistance Programme at the Durban Magistrates Court (the first such project in a court in South Africa). She has also been involved in the Provincial Executive of the Women's Coalition, a forum that was established pre-democracy to formulate the Women's Charter (a document setting out the demands of women in a new democracy). She was also an active member of the Women's Caucus for Gender Justice in the International Criminal Court and remains an Advisory Board member. She is a member of the Women Living Under Muslim Laws Network.

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12:45 - 1:45 p.m.

Room 121

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