

# PROFESSOR MELISSA SCHWARTZBERG



## “Civil Juries and Democratic Legitimacy”

**February 5, 2016**

**12 noon-2pm**

**Room 202 Barrows Hall**

Professor Melissa Schwartzberg is an associate professor of politics at New York University specializing in political theory and her primary research interests are in the historical origins and normative logic of democratic institutions. Her particular interest is in ancient Greece.

Her research focuses on the development of norms governing democratic decision-making, especially those rules that generate and constrain the power of democratic bodies to legislate. She is beginning to conduct research on the democratic pedigree of decision-making on juries as part of an inquiry into epistemic democracy, and on the normative foundations of bargaining.

For the first two hours of the course, a student will lead off with a 15-minute comment on the presenter’s paper and the presenter will have 5-10 minutes to respond before the discussion is opened up to the entire assembled group. The first two hours will be open to non-enrolled students and faculty who wish to participate in the workshop discussion. At the end of the two hours, those who are not enrolled will leave, and for the third hour of the course, the guest presenter will continue the discussion with students enrolled in the course.

Participants are expected to read the paper in advance. The paper can be found at: <https://www.law.berkeley.edu/centers/kadish-center-for-morality-law-public-affairs/workshop-in-law-philosophy-and-political-theory/>

***Lunch provided first-come, first-served***