



# Civil Rights Rhetoric

## Senior Seminar

**ENG 461-02**

**Mondays 4:00 pm-6:45 pm**

**Dr. Christine Garcia**

**Fall 2019**

We will grapple with questions of rhetorical agency // how power and oppression manifests in our lives // the roles of citizens, communities, and governments in human rights // how language plays a part in our freedoms and restrictions // & the current state of human rights in contemporary North America

The first semester of our senior seminar will be spent reading, analyzing, discussing, and writing. At the end of this semester you will propose a multimodal project for the final semester of the seminar.

We will explore rhetorical artifacts such as treaties, declarations, manifestos, testimony and other such public speech acts as well as the visual rhetoric that arises from human rights movements in contemporary North America. Our focus is language: how do we use our words to articulate, fight for, or hinder our rights and the rights of others?

Senior Seminar capstone project options range from original creative works to analytical works, or a hybrid of the two.

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