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ABOLISHING IMMIGRATION PRISONS

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Thursday, October 20, 2016
12:45 - 2:00 pm in 132 Boalt Hall



Every year, the United States imprisons over half a million people for violating immigration laws. That practice rests on a corrupt moral foundation that pushes Latin Americans onto the migratory path, makes them into exploitable labor once in the United States, then turns the brute force of the state's coercive power to imprison toward them to commodify their bodies. For these reasons, immigration prisons should be abolished.



César Cuauhtémoc García Hernández is an assistant professor at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. He publishes *crlmmigration.com*, an award-winning blog about the convergence of criminal and immigration law. In 2014, he was presented with the Derrick A. Bell, Jr. Award by the Association of American Law Schools Section on Minority Groups, an honor issued to a “junior faculty member who, through activism, mentoring, collegueship, teaching and scholarship, has made an extraordinary contribution to legal education, the legal system or social justice.”

César's academic interests center on crimmigration law, including teaching a seminar on the topic and having published articles about the right to counsel for immigrants in the criminal justice system, immigration imprisonment, and race-based immigration policing in the *California Law Review*, *UCLA Law Review*, *Boston University Law Review*, *BYU Law Review*, and *Maryland Law Review*, among others. His book, titled *Crimmigration Law*, was published by the American Bar Association in 2015. In addition to teaching a crimmigration law seminar, he teaches Immigration Law, Criminal Procedure, and Torts.

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