



Law in Times of Crisis

18th - 19th March 2017

Woolf College, University of Kent
Canterbury

Kent Critical Law Society is pleased to announce the Critical Law Conference 2017, which will take place on the **18th** and **19th** of **March 2017**. Our society is a student-led critical lawyers' group that annually holds this flagship event that attracts academics, practitioners, and students from across the UK. In keeping with Kent Law School's long tradition of critical legal research and education, this year's conference seeks to critically explore questions about law and justice in times of crisis.

In recent years, states have faced increasing challenges to economic and political stability, social cohesion, environmental sustainability, cultural diversity and human welfare. Law has played a crucial role in framing, facilitating and implementing diverse and multiple responses to these contemporary problems. We believe that it is not only interesting but also necessary to study the broader context within which these legal responses emerge. We also want to critically explore their wider impact on states, communities, and citizens. We are particularly interested in papers of an interdisciplinary nature that offer fresh contributions towards the exploration of these complex and contentious issues. We therefore encourage undergraduate and graduate students to submit their proposals on a range of methodological and theoretical approaches to law.

Contributions are solicited in, but not limited to, the following topics:

Political Crises

- State Corruption
- State of Emergency
- The Politics of Brexit
- Proxy wars: Past and Present
- Law and Terrorism
- Implementation and Enforcement of International Law

Social Crises

- Power, Privilege and Pursuit of Justice
- Racialization and Authority
- Immigration, Refuge and Asylum
- Reflections on the War on Drugs
- Gender, Sexuality and Law
- The Housing Crisis
- Legal Aid Cuts and Reforms

Humanitarian Crises

- Refugee Situation
- Internal Displacement
- Detention and the Political
- Non-State Armed Conflicts
- Globalization
- Law and Development

Economic Crises

- Economic Consequences of Brexit
- Precarity in Employment Law
- Tax Evasion and Avoidance
- Reflections on the Economic Crisis
- Financial Capital and Financial Markets
- Corporate Governance and CSR
- Pensions and trust

The conference is designed to welcome as many students as possible to create the opportunity of having a discussion outside of the classroom context

Please send your proposals in the form of an abstract of your work, no longer than 250 words, with a short description of yourself, no longer than 50.

Please submit your proposals to conferencekclsoc@kent.ac.uk before 31st January 2017. Any informal enquiries can be emailed to us at presidentkclsoc@kent.ac.uk

A limited amount of funding is available for invited speakers outside of the University of Kent who may apply for a cover of travel and accommodation expenses.

For more information, email:
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Kind Regards,

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