



# What's Current Wednesdays

## **Peril or Promise: Will the Trump Presidency Transform the Supreme Court?**

**Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2017- Starting At 2:00 PM**  
**MSC Century Room C For Cookies and Conversation\***

Join *The Current* and discussion leader Barbara Graham, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, for a lively, student-centered discussion. During the 2016 presidential campaign, both Clinton and Trump promised to appoint Justices to the Supreme Court who would carry out their ideological agendas. With his presidency, will President Trump be able to nominate Justices who will shift the Court? Will it affect controversial issues such as abortion, a Muslim ban or registry, limitations on immigration, LGBTQ rights, voting rights, the use of torture or increased government surveillance? In this session, we will discuss a variety of important factors that help us understand to what extent a sitting President can transform the Supreme Court.

The *New York Times* feature that will serve as the jumping off point for the conversation is "Trump Promises Fast Action on Supreme Court Nomination" which can be found at:

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/11/us/politics/supreme-court-nomination-trump.html>

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