

**2019-2020 Sociology Colloquium Series****Can Nationalism Help Immigrants?  
The Limits of Rights Claims-making on Behalf of Noncitizens****Dr. Irene Bloemraad****Sociology  
University of California, Berkeley**Friday, September 20,  
10:30-11:30am,  
SSC 9420

Irene Bloemraad (PhD, Harvard; MA & BA, McGill University) is Professor of Sociology and the Thomas Garden Barnes Chair of Canadian Studies at the University of California, Berkeley.

She is also the founding director of UC-Berkeley's Interdisciplinary Migration Initiative and co-director with Will Kymlicka of the "Boundaries, Membership and Belonging" program at the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research. An internationally recognized expert on immigration, Bloemraad is a political sociologist who studies how migrants become incorporated into the political communities where they live, and the consequences of migration for politics and understandings of membership.

One strand of Bloemraad's research thus examines why immigrants become citizens and whether citizenship helps immigrants' political, civic, social and economic incorporation. Another strand of research evaluates the visibility and influence of immigrant organizations as well as the resonance of human rights, citizenship claims and appeals to national values for shaping people's views of immigrants.

Everyone welcome. No RSVP required.