



DIVERSITY COLLOQUIUM



HOW DO WE END MASS INCARCERATION?

Panelists:

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7-8:30 p.m. | Scholar Space, Rod Library

Mass incarceration is the imprisonment of millions of persons in prisons and jails in numbers far beyond those necessary to insure public safety. It is a system that gives the United States the highest incarceration rates in the world and that disproportionately targets people of color. Reducing this number requires a multi-faceted approach in which we reform sentencing practices, reduce racial bias in the system, and increase the availability of services and programs that provide alternatives to incarceration and that reduce recidivism. The Iowa Justice Action Network (IJAN) was created in 2015 to advocate for policy changes in Iowa that address these issues. Dr. R. Allen Hays, Emeritus Professor of Political Science and Public Policy at UNI, will chair a panel from IJAN that will include those who provide services for those in prison or recently incarcerated, as well as individuals with direct experience in the system.

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