FACULTY SEMINAR

“LIVING IN A DYING SITUATION”: PRESERVING LIFE AT GUANTÁNAMO

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This essay examines the dialectical relationship between prisoners’ acts of agency through self-harm and the US state’s efforts to sustain the prisoners’ physical lives against their will. This camp—in making prisoners live, even while fostering conditions of wishful death—provides an illuminating lens on the co-constitution of biopower and necropower, on the ways in which the state’s investment in life collaborates with its direct activity in death.

* Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Stephanie Lang stephanielang@austin.utexas.edu by Mon. Nov. 11th

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