

## September 12, 2017

### Critical Global Conversation on Culture & Cosmopolitanism: Can Culture be “Owned”?

Time: 12:00pm - 1:30pm

Location: Silverman 147

Penn Law is a global community which brings together students from over 50 countries, nationalities and ethnic groups. Penn Law International Programs convenes a dialogue with our international and US students on the values of different cultures.

*‘I am a citizen of the world’.*

- Diogenes’ response when asked what country he was from as reported in Diogenes Laertius, *The Lives and Opinions of the Ancient Philosophers* 3rd Century AD

While the values of liberty, tolerance and rational inquiry are not the prerogative of a single culture, claims of cultural purity or superiority have risen to the forefront in our public discourse. The idea of cosmopolitanism is fundamentally an idea of fidelity to pluralism: there are many values worth living by. Another fundamental tenant of cosmopolitanism is that our knowledge is imperfect and subject to revision in learning even from those we disagree with.

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Recommended Reading: *‘Mistaken Identities: Culture’* by Kwame Anthony Appiah

Register for this event

# Attendees\*:

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