The Pacific-Asian Legal Studies (PALS) Program at the William S. Richardson School of Law Presents

What’s Happening in Hong Kong?

As the People’s Republic of China celebrated its 70th anniversary on October 1, 2019, antigovernment protesters in Hong Kong were blocking roads, setting fires and throwing petrol bombs. Police have arrested hundreds of protesters, one as young as 12, and have been accused of using excessive force. What has led to this state of conflict, in a city previously known for its tradition of peaceful protests and a restrained police force? Two visiting experts from Hong Kong will share their observations regarding the protests and analyze how the unrest—and China’s response to it—could affect Hong Kong and the rest of the region.

Speakers:
Frank Ching: What’s Happening in Hong Kong and What Could Come Next?
Anna Wu Hung-yuk: Protests in Hong Kong Since 2012: Freedoms, Franchise and Identity

Moderator: Professor Carole Petersen

When: Tuesday, October 15, 12:00-1:30 p.m.
Where: Davis Levin Livingston Moot Courtroom
William S. Richardson School of Law

Refreshments provided, please RSVP HERE

Frank Ching is a journalist and writer who has reported on China, Hong Kong and Taiwan for many years. He has written for the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Far Eastern Economic Review, and the South China Morning Post. Currently, he writes a weekly column on China that appears in English-language newspapers, primarily in Asia. For the last 15 years, he has also served as an Adjunct Associate Professor at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, teaching a course on China's External Relations.

Anna Wu Hung-yuk is a Hong Kong lawyer and Chair of the Competition Commission. She has chaired the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority, the Equal Opportunities Commission, the Consumer Council, and the Operations Review Committee of the Independent Commission Against Corruption. She has served on Hong Kong’s Executive Council and Legislative Council, as a member of the Law Reform Commission, as an honorary professor of the University of Hong Kong, and as a global advisor for UCLA.

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