

Keynote Address

Marilyn Yarbrough Distinguished Speaker

Professor Marilyn Yarbrough began her illustrious teaching career at UNC School of Law in 1993 continuing until her death in 2004. Professor Yarbrough was a nationally recognized scholar in the areas of race and gender discrimination and had a number of professional involvements that enriched the legal academy. She edited the Black Law Journal and served in many capacities in our law school, at UNC, as well as with various national entities. She was particularly dedicated to students, especially African-American and women students and served as a supportive mentor and friend to many of us.

Starting in 2012 the Conference on Race, Class, Gender and Ethnicity (CRCGE) will begin officially dedicating its keynote address in honor of her lifetime work in the study of race and gender issues in the law

Speaker for 2012

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Professor Harris teaches at King Hall School of Law at the University of California at Davis. Harris received her bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in social science (with a specialization in the sociology of culture) from the University of Chicago, where she also received her J.D. She clerked for Judge Joel M. Flaum on the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, and then briefly practiced with the firm of Morrison & Foerster in San Francisco before making her way to Berkeley. At Berkeley Law, Harris taught a variety of courses. Along with her friend Luke Cole, she taught the first seminar on environmental justice at Berkeley Law. At the University at Buffalo, along with Professor Stephanie Phillips, she pioneered a seminar called "Mindfulness and Professional Identity: Becoming a Lawyer While Keeping Your Values Intact." She is the recipient of the Rutter Award for Distinction in Teaching from Berkeley Law.

Harris is the author of a number of widely reprinted and influential articles and essays in critical legal theory. She is also a prolific co-author of casebooks, including *Criminal Law: Cases and Materials*; *Race and Races: Cases and Materials for a Diverse America*; *Gender and Law*; and *Economic Justice*. Among other awards for her mentorship of students and junior faculty, she received the 2008 Clyde Ferguson Award from the Minority Section of the Association of American Law Schools. Harris is a frequent and sought-after speaker at workshops and conferences, and she is active in promoting community among critical legal scholars in legal academia and beyond.