

Spring 2010 Lecture Series

Institute for the Study of “Race” and Social Justice Presents:

“The Economics of Colorism”



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Darity’s presentation will examine how this specific form of racism, colorism, is manifest in literature and in social science research findings on employment, marriage, and health. Particular attention will be given to the penalties borne by Latinos and African Americans for having darker complexions.

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