DIALOGUE 183

Science and Politics: A Bad Patch or the New Normal?

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Lunch provided; first come, first served.

Though we like to think of science and politics as separate, in fact the fortunes of science in America have always been bound up with the way Americans thought of the role of government. In this dialogue Moreno will describe that trajectory and suggest some reasons that the life sciences especially have come to dominate debates in science policy. He will also mention some current issues that are riling the politics of science.

Dr. Moreno is the David and Lyn Silfen University Professor at the University of Pennsylvania. He is in residence the week of April 9 as a Distinguished Visiting Scholar at the UM Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy. His book, The Body Politic: The Battle Over Science in America, was named a Best Book of 2011 by Kirkus Reviews. Among his other books are Impromptu Man (2014), Mind Wars (2012), and Undue Risk (2000). Moreno is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine and served on President Obama’s transition team. The American Journal of Bioethics has called him “the most interesting bioethicist of our time.”

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