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# Indigenous Sovereignty & the Refusal of Settler Colonialism



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Settler colonialism in the United States is an ongoing process, which has created entrenched structures and systems of dispossession, displacement, and destruction, as recent experiences of Navajo and Standing Rock Sioux people demonstrate, to take just two examples. Ethnographer of religion and comparative Indigenities Dr. Natalie Avalos and political scientist Dr. Kevin Bruyneel will discuss in this event their work on anticolonial struggles and the assertion of Indigenous cultures and sovereignty.

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**4:30 - 6:00 PM (ET) | ONLINE EVENT VIA ZOOM**

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