



## Did I Hear You Say Racism? Interpretive Authority and the Oral History Interview

**Prof. Pamela Sugiman** (Professor & Dean of Arts, Ryerson University)

DATE: Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Venue: Friends Place Meeting Room
Crossings Branch Library
(255 Britannia Blvd. West)



**Dr. Pamela Sugiman** was appointed as Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Ryerson University in July 2016. Prior to this, Dean Sugiman was Chair of the Department of Sociology at Ryerson (since 2012). She joined Ryerson in 2006 after holding a tenure-stream position for 15 years at McMaster University. In the course of her career, Sugiman has built a reputation for creativity, collegiality, transparency and vision. She has had a longstanding commitment to issues of social justice, equity and inclusion. These values are rooted in her personal history and have profoundly shaped her scholarly pursuits. She currently heads the Oral History Cluster of the multi-institutional, interdisciplinary *Landscapes of Injustice* project. Her current research explores the memories of eyewitnesses and bystanders to acts of racial injustice.

Sugiman is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Pathways to Education Canada and she has served as President of the Canadian Sociological Association, a director on the National Executive Board of the National Association of Japanese Canadians and has been a faculty representative on the Ryerson University Board of Governors.

For excellence in research, she has been awarded an Outstanding Contribution Award from the Canadian Sociological Association. In recognition of her overall excellence in research, teaching and service, she has received a Marion Dewar Prize in Canadian Women's History from the National Capital Committee on the Scholarship, Preservation and Dissemination of Women's History. Most recently, she has been named the Lansdowne Lecturer and the Distinguished Women Scholar, both at the University of Victoria.

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