

Department of Economics presents  
**David S. Saurman**  
**Provocative Lecture Series 2018**



**Tuesday,  
March 20th**

SJSU,  
Student Union Theater  
5:15–6:45pm

*Free and open  
to the public*

**Clark Neily**

Vice President for Criminal Justice, Cato Institute

“Incarceration Nation: How America Became the World's Leading Jailer and What It Means for the Legitimacy of Our Criminal Justice System”

With just five percent of the world's population, America has 25 percent of the world's prisoners, making us the most prolific jailers on the planet. A careful look at the process by which criminal laws are enacted and enforced – including particularly the practical elimination of the jury trial through coercive plea-bargaining and our near-zero accountability policy for law enforcement – leaves serious doubts about the fundamental legitimacy of America's criminal justice system.

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The Department of Economics invites students, faculty, and the general public to consider intellectual arguments on controversial topics. Presenters are noted for outstanding scholarship and public speaking ability. This series fosters the tradition of higher education to challenge ideas and develop critical thinking in an environment of respect for intellectual discourse. Our goal is that you engage critical thinking skills to reach your own informed position on controversial issues. We invite you to attend, to relax, to ponder, and to enjoy the thought process.

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