The Department of Economics and the Spartan Experimental Economics Lab (SEEL) presents

Nobel Prize Winner Alvin Roth Lecture on "Repugnant Markets"



Wednesday, March 8, 2023 5:00–6:30pm

Join us for meet and greet with refreshments 4:00-5:00pm

SJSU, Martin Luther King Jr. Library Room 225

David S. Saurman **Provocative Lecture**

Why in the U.S. is it forbidden to sell and buy organs but selling blood is allowed? Why is the exchange of kidneys that leads to many successful transplants allowed in some countries such as the US, but not in others like Germany? Which markets or transactions we allow, affects the choices that people have. There are many transactions that are deemed repugnant and therefore forbidden, and this differs between countries. This lecture by Nobel laureate Alvin E. Roth will discuss the nature of, and reasons for, repugnance with its implications for the design of markets.

Dr. Alvin Roth is a professor of economics at Stanford University and the winner of the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences in 2012 for his work in market design and matching theory. Dr. Roth has worked on market design problems in various fields, including the design of markets or school choice, kidney exchange programs, and residency placement in medical schools. His current research focuses on markets in drugs, surrogacy, and compensation of organ donors.

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