

Fred Korematsu Day

Monday, February 1

Stuart 315, 3:00-4:30 PM

At age 23, Fred Korematsu defied the government's order of his incarceration in an internment camp. An American citizen of Japanese descent, Korematsu appealed his case to the Supreme Court, which decided in 1942 that incarceration was justified due to military necessity.

In 1983, the Asian Law Caucus re-opened Korematsu's case. His conviction was overturned after documents showed that Japanese-Americans had not committed acts of treason to justify mass incarceration. Unfortunately, Korematsu's struggle is still relevant today.

Professor Hashimoto will moderate a panel discussing internment, the deprivation of human liberties, and the relevance of Korematsu's case to current issues.

Join APALSA in welcoming the following panelists:

- **Margie Yamamoto**, whose family was incarcerated in the Japanese internment. Margie is currently President of the New England Japanese American Citizens League.
- **Professor Paul Watanabe** at the University of Massachusetts, Boston, who is widely known for his commentary on domestic and foreign policy in the national media.
- **Professor Emerita Erica Harth** of Humanities and Women's Studies at Brandeis University, who spent a year at a Japanese internment camp in California.

Food will be provided.