AN EVENING WITH

AMAL CLOONEY

MARCH 5, 2022
6:00 p.m.
Colgate Memorial Chapel

PROGRAM

Introduction, President Brian W. Casey

Discussion with Amal Clooney

Moderated by Ellen Percy Kraly, interim provost and dean of the faculty, William R. Kenan Jr. Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies; and Susan Thomson, associate professor of peace and conflict studies, director of the women’s studies program.

AMAL CLOONEY

Award-winning lawyer specializing in international law and human rights, and visiting professor, Columbia Law School

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Amal represents clients before international courts including the International Criminal Court, the International Court of Justice, and the European Court of Human Rights. Alongside court work, she provides advice to governments and individuals on legal issues in her areas of expertise.

Amal frequently represents victims of mass atrocities, including genocide and sexual violence. She has acted in many
precedent-setting human rights cases in recent years, including the world’s first trial against an ISIS member for genocide and the first case alleging complicity in crimes against humanity by a company that funded the terror group. She has represented Armenia in a case involving the Armenian genocide and was recently counsel to 126 victims of the genocide in Darfur, Sudan, at the International Criminal Court. In 2021, she was appointed special adviser to the prosecutor of the International Criminal Court on Darfur.

Amal also represents political prisoners around the world and has helped to secure the freedom of journalists arbitrarily detained for their work across the globe. In 2020, Amal was the recipient of the Gwen Ifill Award for “extraordinary and sustained achievement in the cause of press freedom” from the Committee to Protect Journalists.

Prior to joining the London bar, Amal worked in The Hague at the International Court of Justice, the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, and the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. She is admitted to the New York Bar and practiced as a litigation attorney at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP in New York.

She is also a visiting professor at Columbia Law School, where she co-teaches the Human Rights course with Professor Sarah Cleveland. And she is the co-founder of the Clooney Foundation for Justice, which aims to advance justice through accountability for human rights abuses around the world.

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