



# *Gandhi Lecture Series, 2010*

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## *Gandhi and Communal Living: The Case of Phoenix Settlement in South Africa*

This talk will focus on the first of four communal settlements that Gandhi established. It seeks to establish why Gandhi sought such a way of living and it traces the history of this settlement till the present to examine to what extent those tasked maintaining this heritage were able to do so.

**Date:** Thursday, Sept. 30, 2010

**Time:** 7 - 9 pm, Indian Snacks: 6:45 pm

**Venue:** Library Browsing Area, UMass Dartmouth



## *Gandhi and the Ethics and Practice of Journalism: the Experience with Indian Opinion in South Africa*

This talk will focus on Gandhi's engagement with the media and his decision to establish a newspaper in South Africa in 1903. He argued that Indian opinion in many ways reflected the transformations in his life. The talk will focus on Gandhi's recognition of the power of the press, the changes that the newspaper and its production processes underwent and certain key principles of journalism that Gandhi developed out of this experience.

**Date:** Friday, Oct. 1, 2010

**Time:** 12 - 1:30 pm, Pizza: 11:45 am

**Venue:** Library Browsing Area, UMass Dartmouth



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