CLAI-SSI Mini-Colloquium Series

How to Access Room HC-5
U.S. Capitol Building

We recommended that you arrive by taxi or Metro, as parking is essentially unavailable around the Capitol during weekday hours. If using the Metro, exit at the Capitol South Station (Blue/Orange line) and proceed directly ahead (about 1-1/2 blocks) towards Independence Avenue; proceed to the South Entrance of the Capitol, on Independence Avenue (do not get in the visitor’s line for a Capitol tour.) Upon arriving at the Capitol:

1. Enter through the “Appointments and Official Business” entrance, on the south side of the Capitol, on Independence Ave.
2. Go through the security check.
3. Once through security, turn immediately to your right and check in at the reception desk. State the purpose of your visit.* The security staff will issue you a visitor’s badge (sticker).
4. Proceed down the main corridor in front of the security checkpoint until you reach the Crypt, in the center of the building. After entering the crypt, turn left and walk down the staircase.
5. Go straight ahead and follow the signs to HC-5. The room will be down a corridor with blue carpeting, on your left.

Elevator and wheelchair access

1. After going through reception (see above steps 1 through 3), proceed down the main corridor and turn left at the first hallway. The elevators will be at the end of the hall, on your right.
2. Take the elevator down to level B.
3. Exit elevator and turn right.
4. Proceed down the ramp to the end of the hallway. Turn right again.
5. Turn right yet again at the hallway with blue carpeting (just before the HC-5 side door that has several steps leading up to it.)
6. Go down the carpeted hallway and make the first left; the first room will be HC-8. Continue to follow the hallway and make the next left. HC-5 will be on the left.

* (If you have registered for the event by the due date, and your registration has been acknowledged by CLAI, the security desk should have your name on a list of registered guests.)