



Marijuana

Myth and Reality

Saturday, November 5

Colloquium Room

9th Floor

Photonics Building

8 St. Mary's St.

Questions?

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Please join us for this full day conference to hear experts from different fields discuss the many misconceptions and controversies concerning the criminalization and legalization of marijuana. With the upcoming ballot initiative, Question 4, Massachusetts residents will decide the future of cannabis prohibition in the commonwealth, and this interdisciplinary focus hopes to encourage a research and fact based discussion to help inform and challenge Boston University students' position on this issue. The event is free and open to the entire Boston University community.

Myth and Reality in Public Health (10:30-12:00)

Kimberly Sue (Massachusetts General Hospital): "Public Health and Medicine: A Physician-Anthropologist's Approach to Marijuana"

Anne Short (Boston University): "Quasi-Legal Cannabis and the Environment"

Michael Milburn (UMASS Boston): "Marijuana, Neuroscience and Driving"

Jacob Borodovsky (Dartmouth University): "Regulatory Choices and their Impact on Cannabis Use – Vaping, Edibles, and Dabbing"

Myth and Reality in the Marijuana Economy (1:30-3:00)

Scott Sumner (Bentley University): "The Costs of Prohibition and Criminal Justice"

Kevin Hill, MD (Harvard University): "Challenges in Conducting Marijuana Research"

Shanel Lindsay (Founder/President, Ardent Cannabis): "The Medicinal Industry"

Evan Cohen (Principal: The Brattle Group): "Economics of Prohibition"

Myth and Reality in Prohibition (3:30-5)

Bob Beach (University at Albany, SUNY): "What's with the Madness? Marijuana Users and Harry Anslinger in the 1930s."

Miriam Boeri (Bentley University): "Humane and Sensible Alternatives to Prohibition: Research Informed Solutions"

Dick Evans (Chair of the Yes on 4 Committee): "We've Heard this Song Before: Echoes of History"