



Members of the Cornell Political Union are invited this 25th night of October, 2022, to debate;

Resolved, Stop discriminating on the basis of race.

“[T]he Fourteenth Amendment prevents states from according differential treatment to American children on the basis of their color or race.’ ... Before *Brown*, schoolchildren were told where they could and could not go to school based on the color of their skin. The school districts in these cases have not carried the heavy burden of demonstrating that we should allow this once again—even for very different reasons ... The way to stop discrimination on the basis of race is to stop discriminating on the basis of race.”

CHIEF JUSTICE J. ROBERTS, PARENTS INVOLVED V. SEATTLE (2007)

IT IS A DEEPLY ILL SOCIETY that considers the color of one’s skin as indicative of his worth. The United States fought a bloody civil war to prove, once and for all, that “all men are created equal.” Yet, once again, we see the ugly mark of discrimination. Our top universities have any number of metrics to choose from. Test scores, extracurriculars, GPA, letters of recommendation, &c. are more than sufficient for gauging one’s ability to withstand the rigor of these institutions. Yet they choose to examine race. In doing so, the administration denies admission to hundreds of qualified students. We cannot consider this institution a fair one until we stop discriminating on the basis of race.

AND YET, THE PATH TO EQUALITY IS A CHALLENGING ONE. Many Americans contend we still have not arrived at that noble end. Along the way, many have been left behind. Surely, if we still aspire to be the shining city on a hill, we must lift up those who have been constrained by circumstances beyond their control. Affirmative Action is but one means by which we can open the doors of the American Dream to whom it has remained shut.

All members of the Union are thus invited to the *Founders Room* of *Anabel Taylor Hall*. We shall commence no later than 6:30 P.M. with a presentation by our guest speaker, Professor William Jacobson of Cornell Law School. All those interested in speaking on the docket should contact the Events Director of CPU, Rodge Reschini (rjr297).

A vote will be taken prior to 8 o’clock P.M. All inquiries should be directed to the President of the Union. Your continued participation is greatly anticipated and appreciated.

Best regards,
The Executive Board
Cornell Political Union