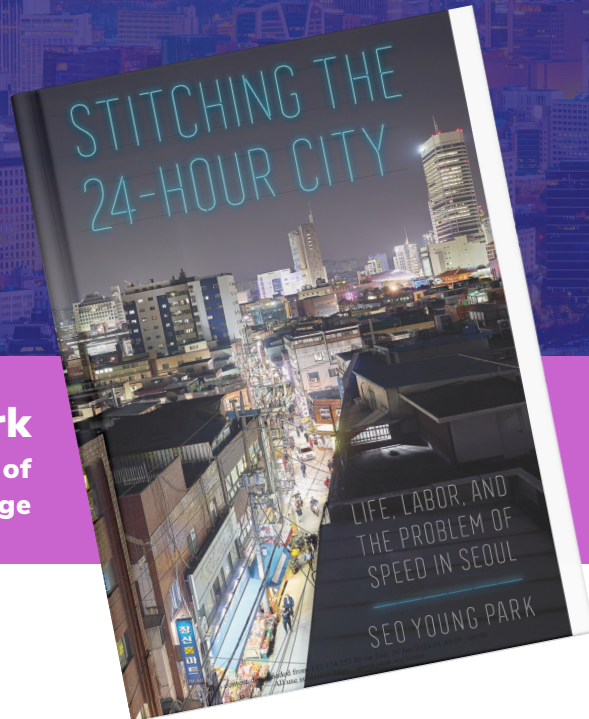


# Claremont discourse

**Dr. Seo Young Park**  
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**February 29, 2024**  
4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
Founders Room  
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## **Stitching the 24-hour City: Life, Labor & the Problem of Speed in Seoul**

Dr. Park will reveal the intense speed of garment production and everyday life in Dongdaemun, a lively market in Seoul, South Korea. Once the site of uprisings against oppressive working conditions in the 1970s and 80s, Dongdaemun has now become iconic for its creative economy, nightlife, fast-fashion factories and shopping plazas.

Dr. Park's research follows the work of people who witnessed and experienced the rapidly changing marketplace from the inside. Through this approach, she examines the meanings and politics of work, focusing on what it takes for people to enable speedy production and circulation, as well as how they incorporate the critique of speed in the ways they make sense of their own work.

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