

APRIL/MAY EDITION

RACIAL JUSTICE TASKFORCE NEWSLETTER

Dear School of Social Work colleagues,

For this second edition of our newsletter, we are combining April and May content. We pooled together some of our favorite resources, groups, books, and films/documentaries around racial and social justice, and are sharing for continued learning and ideas.

Enjoy and Have a safe and restful summer all!

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Educational Opportunity



FREE UIUC COURSERA COURSE:

[Race and Cultural Diversity in American Life and History](#)

Instructor: [James D. Anderson](#) (pictured above)

Start Date: May 21

“Learners will deepen their understanding and appreciation of ways in which race, ethnicity, and cultural diversity have shaped American institutions, ideology, law, and social relationships from the colonial era to the present. This course is designed in significant part to take a broad look at the ideology of race and cultural diversity in America’s past and present. The primary focus is on the historical and social relationships among European Americans, Native Americans, African Americans, Latino/as, and Asian/Pacific Americans. Issues of race and ethnicity are examined across different ethno-cultural traditions in order to

interweave diverse experiences into a larger synthesis of the meaning of race and ethnicity in American life. We treat race and ethnicity as dynamic, complex ideological and cultural processes that shape all social institutions, belief systems, inter-group relationships, and individual experiences.

Racial & Social Justice Groups, Accounts, Resources

[SWCares](#)

[@showingupforracialjustice](#) (instagram).

[NASW NY State](#)

[@muslimgirl](#) (Twitter)

[@ethelsclub](#) (instagram)

[@racialicious](#) (Twitter)

[@equalitylabs](#) (instagram)

[Lewis & Clark Anti-Racism Resources](#)

Summer Reading

- Minor Feelings: An Asian American Reckoning by Cathy Park Hong
- The Body Is Not an Apology, Second Edition: The Power of Radical Self-Love by Sonya Renee Taylor
- We Do This 'Til We Free Us: Abolitionist Organizing and Transforming Justice by Mariame Kaba
- My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies by Resmaa Menakem
- Four Hundred Souls: A Community History of African America, 1619-2019 by Ibram X. Kendi
- In the Place of Justice: A Story of Punishment and Redemption by Wilbert Rideau
- So You Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo
- Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America by Ibram X. Kendi
- A Troublesome Inheritance: Genes, Race and Human History by Nicholas Wade

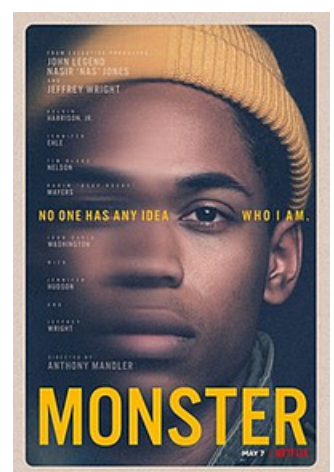
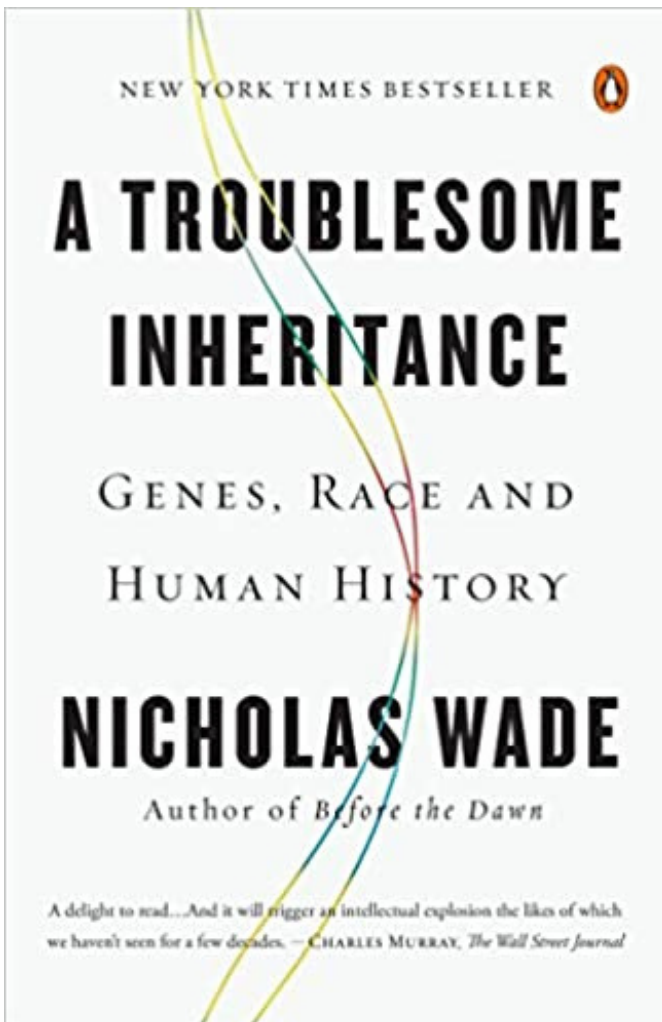


Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.



Nelson Mandela

Must See Movies



TIP: [Kanopy](https://www.kanopy.com/) is a platform that all UIUC faculty/staff/students can access for free viewing of documentaries and films.