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What's in a frame?

An Epidemiological Analysis of Anti-Asian/American
violence and Anti-Blackness

What is Epidemiology?

- Epidemiology is the study of how often diseases occur in different groups of people and why. Epidemiological information is used to plan and evaluate strategies to prevent illness and as a guide to the management of patients in whom disease has already developed.
- Like the clinical findings and pathology, the epidemiology of a disease is an integral part of its basic description. The subject has its special techniques of data collection and interpretation, and its necessary jargon for technical terms.

All findings must relate to a defined population

- A key feature of epidemiology is the measurement of disease outcomes in relation to a *population at risk*. The population at risk is the group of people, healthy or sick, who would be counted as cases if they had the disease being studied. For example, if a general practitioner were measuring how often patients consult him about deafness, the population at risk would comprise those people on his list (and perhaps also of his partners) who might see him about a hearing problem if they had one. Patients who, though still on the list, had moved to another area would not consult that doctor. They would therefore not belong to the population at risk.



Population at risk

- The importance of considering the population at risk is illustrated by two examples. In a study of accidents to patients in hospital it was noted that the largest number occurred among the elderly, and from this the authors concluded that “patients aged 60 and over are more prone to accidents.” Another study, based on a survey of hang-gliding accidents, recommended that flying should be banned between 11 am and 3 pm, because this was the time when 73% of the accidents occurred.



The symptoms
may appear
different
regarding anti-
Asian/American
violence and
anti-Blackness;
however, they
stem from the
same disease.

The two-faced, two-pronged disease of racialized capitalism and white supremacy share a **symbiotic** relationship that is mutually constitutive and mutually beneficial.

In contradistinction to this, racialized capitalism and white supremacy, share a **parasitic** relationship with BIPOC peoples in that they work in concert to extract surplus value from their host while destroying it.

Sims, J.J. (Forthcoming). *Towards liberation...*

A teal-colored silhouette of the United States map, including Alaska and Hawaii, is positioned on the left side of the slide. The text "Presupposition Number One" is written in white over the map.

Presupposition Number One

- The rise in Anti-Asian/American violence is deplorable and must be condemned. At the same time, we must understand that Anti-Asian violence is not new. Violence, both individualized and structuralized violence, against Asian/American peoples—at the hands of white supremacy, racialized capitalism, xenophobia, heteronormativity, settler colonialism, etc.,--is both deeply embedded and centuries old within our National context.

A black and white photograph of a large billboard. The billboard has the text "HONG KONG FLU IS UNAMERICAN!" in large, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below this, in a smaller font, it says "Catch Something Made in the U.S.A.". In the foreground, the backs of two people's heads are visible, looking towards the billboard. The person on the right has short, dark hair, and the person on the left has long, light-colored hair. The background shows a cityscape with buildings and a body of water under a cloudy sky. There are UI elements: a close button (X) in the top left corner and navigation arrows (left and right) in the top right corner.

HONG KONG FLU IS UNAMERICAN!

Catch Something Made in the U.S.A.

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A video frame showing Donald Trump in the center, pointing his right index finger directly at the camera. He is wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and red tie. To his left (viewer's right) is Mike Pence, also in a suit and tie, looking forward. To his right (viewer's left) is a woman with dark hair, looking towards the camera. In the background, there is a large circular blue seal with a white building (the White House) inside, and an American flag is partially visible on the left. The entire scene is framed by a thick orange border.

TRUMP DEFENDS CALLING CORONAVIRUS 'THE CHINESE VIRUS'



Justice or “Just-us?”

- On the one hand, this mis-defined call for justice seeks the state’s (and broader institutional) validation of Asian/American suffering by amplifying the protocols of *legitimated* antiblack, colonial, class, and gendered state violence—criminalization, policing, prosecution, incarceration, civil expulsion, state punishment. On the other hand, the presumption that the police, criminal justice, and electoral/legislative apparatuses are remotely capable of resolving and repairing the crisis of “anti-Asian hate” posits an “Asian exception” to the otherwise densely *normalized* forms of racial, colonial, and antiblack state violence that define the United States as a global and national project. --Prof. Dylan Rodriguez

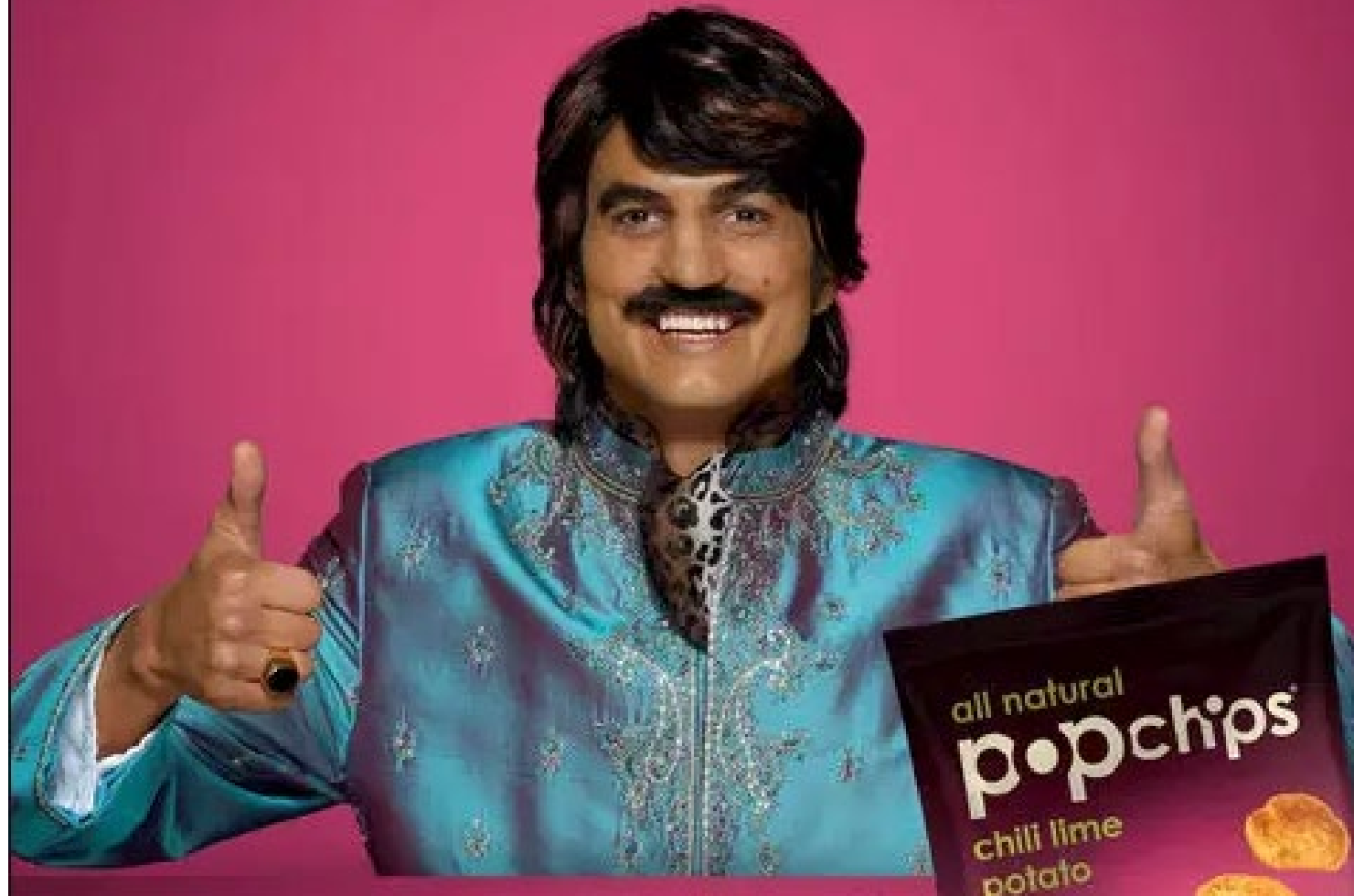
A teal-colored silhouette of the United Kingdom, including Great Britain and Northern Ireland, is positioned on the left side of the slide. The text 'Presupposition Number Two' is written in white over the lower part of the map.

Presupposition Number Two

- The rise in Anti-Asian/American violence has been used to further an anti-Black agenda that works in the interest of racialized capitalism and white supremacy.



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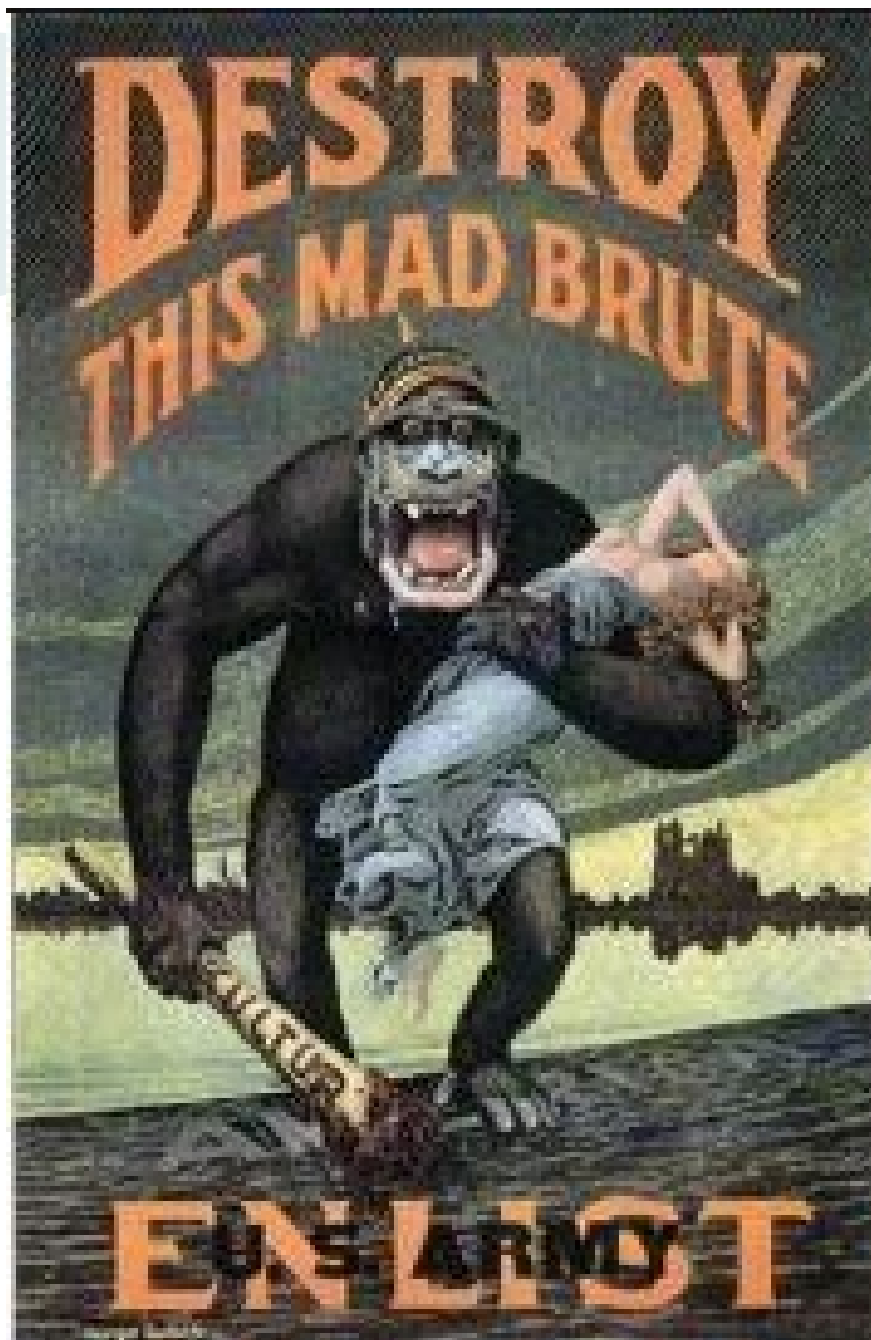
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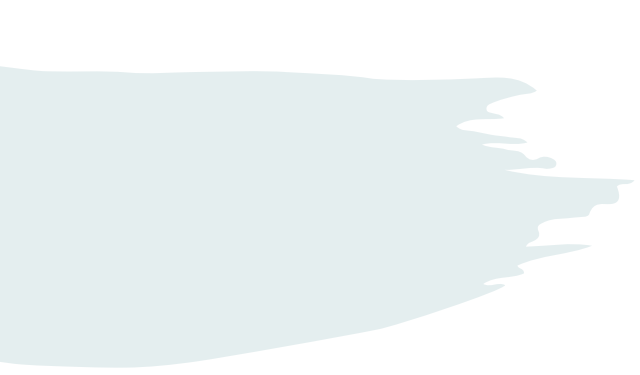






Anti-Blackness

But it's not just white supremacy that pits the two communities against each other, it's anti-Blackness, said Claire Jean Kim, a professor at the University of California, Irvine, who is currently working on a book titled Asian Americans in an Anti-Black World. Anti-Blackness is “everybody elevating everybody who is not Black and putting people who are black at the bottom”, Kim said. “Asian Americans are put in the position in that they are not white and not Black. The power of that is that there is a structural gap between Asians and Blacks,” she said.



“People want to have a Black villain and scapegoat,” said Carroll Fife, a longtime San Francisco Bay Area activist and Oakland city councilmember, who is Black. “People are right and justified to feel beset upon because Asian folks are othered in America. But you can’t fight racism with racism.”

A teal silhouette of the United States map, including Alaska and Hawaii, is positioned on the left side of the slide. The text 'Presupposition Number Three' is overlaid on the map.

Presupposition Number Three

- The rise in Anti-Asian/American violence has also been used to drive a wedge between Asian/American peoples and Black peoples. This is how (racialized) capitalism works: in addition to demarcating human sites of surplus value extraction, it also pits members of subaltern positionalities against one another in order to divide and conquer (i.e., to maintain hegemony).

Sims, J.J. (Forthcoming). *Towards liberation: Antiracism and the redesign of college redesign*.

Is hate a useful frame?

- The misframing of anti-Asian violence has significant consequences, perhaps largely unintended but no less harmful. Not only does the exceptionalist/“hate” approach tend to funnel Asian/American activism, consciousness raising, and mobilization into militant calls for “better” and intensified police action, (hate crime) prosecutions, and surveillance, but its naming of such violence as a problem of hate reduces the complexity of anti-Asian violence to a compilation of incidents in which culpability can be affixed to specific *individual acts [instead of identifying the root cause/s]*. --Prof. Dylan Rodriguez

A teal-colored silhouette of the United States map, including Alaska and Hawaii, is positioned on the left side of the slide. The text "Presupposition Number Four" is written in white over the map.

Presupposition Number Four

- In we want to understand and critically analyze the root cause/s of anti-Asian/American violence, we cannot be myopic. Rather, we must situate anti-Asian violence within a larger context that accounts for systemic/systematic terrorization of BIPOC bodies by racialized capitalism and white supremacy. Racialized capitalism and white supremacy constitute an intertwined, interrelated two-pronged disease.



What is a disease?

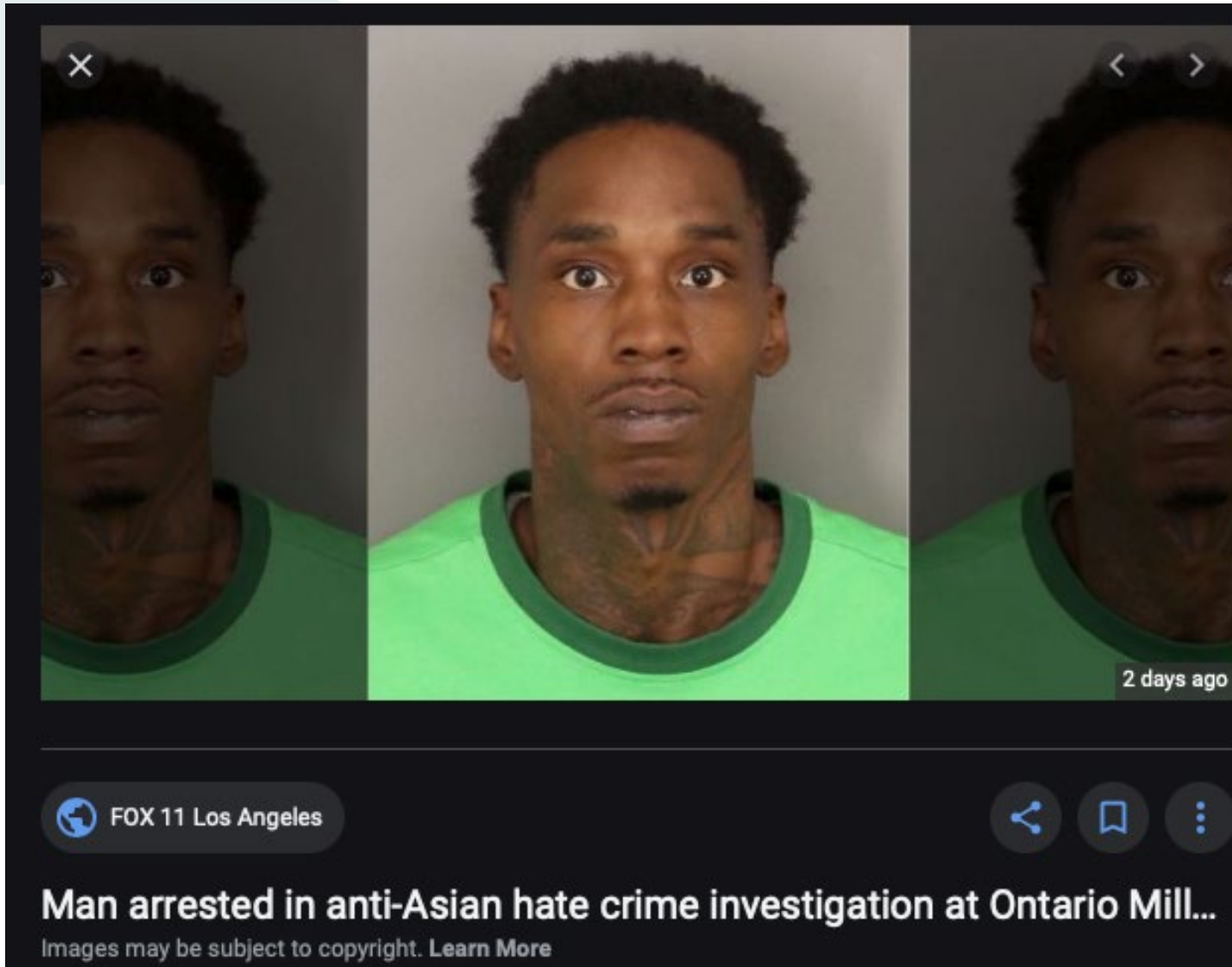
- A **disease** is a particular abnormal condition that negatively affects the structure or function of all or part of an organism, and that is not due to any immediate external injury. **Diseases** are often known to be medical conditions that are associated with specific signs and symptoms.
- Infectious diseases are disorders caused by organisms — such as bacteria, viruses, fungi or parasites...under certain conditions, some organisms may cause disease.

We must address the symptoms while, simultaneously, fighting the chronic disease/s

- The individualization of anti-Asian violence distorts its institutional, cultural, and systemic dimensions while ignoring its complex historical relation to chattel slavery, antiblackness (Vargas and Jung 2021) colonialism (within and beyond the U.S. proper), imperial war, heteronormativity, white supremacist patriarchy, and racial capitalism (Robinson 2000). –Prof. Dylan Rodriguez

Guiding Questions

- Who benefits from labeling Anti-Asian violence as racism?
- Is the rise in Anti-Asian violence attributable to racism?
- Is “hate” a sufficient analytical frame?
- Why are Black people the face of Anti-Asian violence?
- What associations are being forged and concretized by mass media’s coverage of Anti-Asian violence?





Andrew Sullivan

@sullydish



It is simply a fact that the demographic disproportionately most likely to commit hate crimes is African-American. I linked to the source. I cited white offenders as well.



kenkersch @kenkersch

Replying to @sullydish

Yes, to show that black people commit hate crimes, not white people...and then a bunch of "we don't knows". Good to see Fox picking it up!

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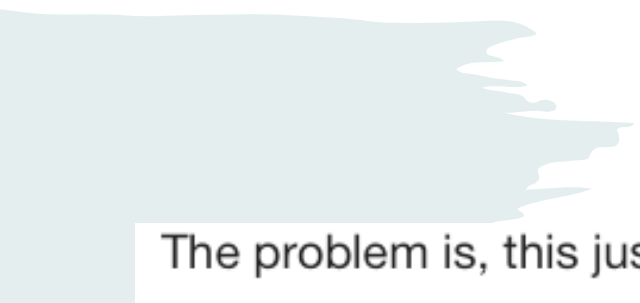


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The “Asian exception” and the Scramble for Legibility: Toward an Abolitionist Approach to Anti-Asian Violence



- For example, while specific incidents of “Black on Asian” violence have attracted significant attention across media platforms and political persuasions (and play especially well to the antiblack scripts of conservatives and far right wingers), such antagonisms are not reducible to either anti-Asian animus among Black people or virulent antiblackness among Asians. The white nationalist totality, as a historical state of normalized, asymmetrical domestic war, *encourages as it actively produces* the material and ideological conditions of such violence.

--Professor Dylan Rodriguez, University of California, Riverside



The problem is, this just isn't true.

One recent study has provided the justification for the claim that non-whites were the majority of perpetrators of Asian-American hate crimes. The study was published in the American Journal of Criminal Justice in January, and it was based on data from 1992-2014. But the study clearly indicates that the identities of the perpetrators of hate crimes against Asian-Americans are overwhelmingly white: 74.6 percent of these crimes are committed by white assailants. Importantly, according to the methodology in the study, there is a ~20-fold difference in the cases of hate crimes reported against African-Americans (5,463) compared to Asian-Americans (329), which explains the large difference in percentage of non-white assailants by race.





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—— An unidentified woman was with three teenage girls when they approached a 51-year-old woman while on a city bus on March 28, 2020, New York police said.

New York Police Department



We must, unequivocally, stand against all violence against Asian/American* violence

What we see in the United States are these periodic attacks on Asian Americans, always related to something else going on in the world. In this case it's COVID. In the 1980s, it was U.S.-Japan trade relations. In the 1870s, it was a regional depression in the West and Southwest, and white workers turned against Chinese American workers. So there's always been some kind of larger economic, political cause for these upsurges in anti-Asian violence. I think that's different from what we see with anti-Black violence. Violence against Black people in this country is continuous, structural; violence against Asians is more periodic, contingent on events.

--Professor Claire Jean Kim, University of California, Irvine

- Here i will use "Asian/American" to refer to people who identify as "Asian American" as well as those who are racialized as "Asian" and reside in the U.S., but do not identify as "American" and often navigate migrant, undocumented, non-citizen, refugee, and/or criminalized positions. I do not conflate "Asian/American" with Pacific Islander peoples.

--Prof. Dylan Rodriguez

The model minority myth

For example, there are other ethnicities that meet the surface criteria of a so-called model minority but are unlikely to be seen that way. According to researchers at Columbia University and UC Irvine, nearly two-thirds of Nigerian immigrants are college-educated — far exceeding the US mean at 28 percent. Like Koreans, Nigerians were defined by hyper-selected migration, but unlike Koreans, they were racialized as Black in the US context. Nigerians are not held up as a “model,” yet more evidence that the minority myth was not about the outcomes of a specific group but a way to reemphasize the existing racial caste structure and absolve the government of removing barriers to success for Black people.

THE RECENT RISE IN ANTI-ASIAN ATTACKS HAS REFLECTED THE ANTI-ASIAN SENTIMENT THAT HAS ALWAYS COURSED THROUGH AMERICA



What can solidarity and mutual aid look like?

But I think it's important, when looking at violence against Asian Americans, not to lose that context. When Asian Americans understandably feel fear and anger and sorrow about these attacks on our own communities, I think we also have to ask ourselves, *Are we fighting for Black lives as hard as we're fighting for our own?* It's in moments like this that it's really difficult to remember, because we're afraid and upset. But to remember that we are advantaged, compared to Black people, is what it takes to be a good ally—even though it can be very hard, at times like these. But I think these are the moments when it's the most important to do it. 🏳️‍🌈



We must speak the truth to power. To do that, We have to confront the chronic disease

The trope failed to capture the reality of Black-Korean relations three decades ago, and it fails to capture the reality of anti-Asian bias today. A recent study finds that in fact, Christian nationalism is the strongest predictor of xenophobic views of COVID-19, and the effect of Christian nationalism is greater among white respondents, compared to Black respondents. Moreover, Black Americans have also experienced high levels of racial discrimination since the pandemic began. Hence, not only does the frame of two minoritized groups in conflict ignore the role of white national populism, but it also absolves the history and systems of inequality that positioned them there.

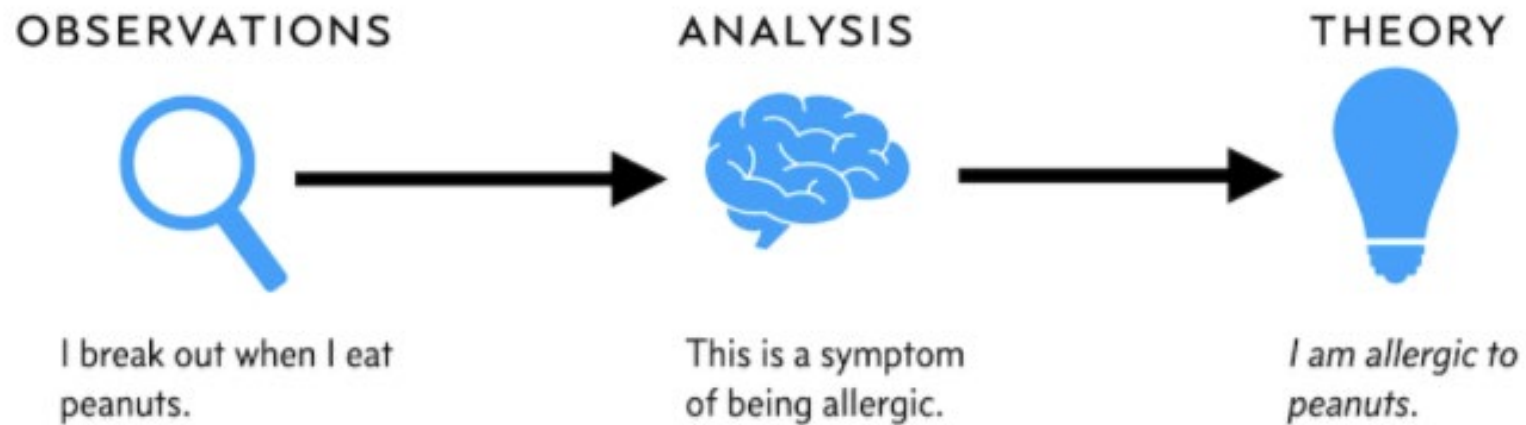




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SYLLOGISM

The major premise is a broad statement :

If all triangles have three sides and three interior angles.

The minor premise scales down the major premise to something local, exact, or familiar :

And if this is a three-sided polygon.

The conclusion connects the universal truth of the major premise to the immediate example of the minor premise :

Then this three-sided polygon is a triangle.

SYLLOGISM

Is a method of reasoning by drawing a conclusion from two premises.

The particular pattern of a syllogism is that the first, **major premise** shares something with a second, **minor premise**, which in turn leads to a **conclusion**.

Enthymeme: A syllogism
with an unstated premise

Example: Pugs are mammals
because they are dogs

Unstated premise:
All dogs are mammals



PENGUINS ARE BLACK AND WHITE.
SOME OLD TV SHOWS ARE BLACK AND WHITE.
THEREFORE, SOME PENGUINS ARE OLD TV SHOWS.



**Logic: another thing that
penguins aren't very good at.**

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Tommy J Curry

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Shocking...guilty



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Dan Kiniry

Sigh of relief

Also sigh of frustration because I agree with what someone said about the system being willing to sacrifice Chauvin to maintain itself

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Rivanna Jihan

[Dan Kiniry](#) this is. 100% my take. Now they can continue on as before and let the cops keep killing kids in bathrooms and alleys.

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#BlackLivesMatter

To justify slavery, we whites portrayed blacks as subhuman: primitive, stupid, and servile.

To justify segregation, we whites portrayed blacks as morally corrupt: ignorant, predatory, and sinful.

After civil rights, we whites portrayed blacks as evil: drug addicts, gang bangers, and welfare queens.

There has never been a point in our history when we whites have systematically and institutionally valued black lives as we do our own.

That's why #BlackLivesMatter. Period.

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Annette Alicia Angus



6m · 

GUILTY. while a much needed respite from the ongoing murder of black people with no accountability, this is a crumb of justice for hundreds of years of oppression and violence. i am relieved that the family of George Floyd has this peace, but i am not satisfied. may we never get satisfied until there is real change.



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Christopher Emdin

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Truth is, the moments of unsureness before the verdict was revealed is more indicative of the reality for Black folks than the relief afterwards
[#RIPGeorgeFloyd](#) [#StayLowAndKeepFiring](#)

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I breathed with relief and shed a tear when I heard the verdict in the George Floyd murder trial. But let us remember as writer Ibram X. Kendi explains: "For Black and brown people, this is the terror of American policing. When we do not comply, we die like Daunte Wright did. When we do comply, we die like Adam Toledo did." We have a long way to go on the journey to justice. Let's not rest or become complacent until the terror of police violence is a thing of the past.



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Sheriff: Woman purposely drove into teens playing basketball

Tue, April 20, 2021, 8:34 AM



GREENVILLE, N.C. (AP) — A white North Carolina woman was charged with driving her car into a yard where three Black teenagers were playing basketball, injuring one of them.



Kevin Lawrence Henry Jr



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I don't know how to feel about this verdict. I'm certainly not *happy.* And justice is too hollow a word. All I know is Chauvin is one white supremacist within an entire (carceral) system of white supremacy. [#defundthepolice](#)

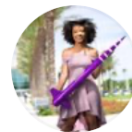
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The jury's verdict delivers accountability for Derek Chauvin, but not justice for George Floyd. Real justice for him and too many others can only happen when we build a nation that fundamentally respects the human dignity of every person.



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was still grieving for his deceased mother.

“On May 25, 2020, George Floyd died facedown on the pavement right on 38th and Chicago in Minneapolis,” prosecutor Steve Schleicher said in his [closing arguments](#). “Nine minutes and 29 seconds. During this time, George Floyd struggled, desperate to breathe, to make enough room in his chest to breathe. But the force was too much. He was trapped.”

“Facing George Floyd that day did not require one ounce of courage, and none was shown on that day,” he told the jury. “All that was required was a little compassion, and none was shown on that day ... This wasn’t policing. This was murder.”



Mark Sheppard is 😡 feeling furious
with **Akerah Watkins**.



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Data shows police kill Black people
at 22x the rate of White people.

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**Having an “implicit bias”
training after you’ve already
worked hard to hire and
retain racist people, won’t
change anything in your
organization except your
gaslighting techniques.**

So let's stop saying racism killed George Floyd, or worse yet, that a racist police officer killed George Floyd. George Floyd was killed because anti-blackness is endemic to, and is central to how all of us make sense of the social, economic, historical and cultural dimensions of human life.

Black people were rendered as property, built this country, spilled literal blood, sweat and tears into the soil from which we eat, the water we drink, and the air we breathe. The *thingification* of black people is a fundamental component of the identity of this nation.

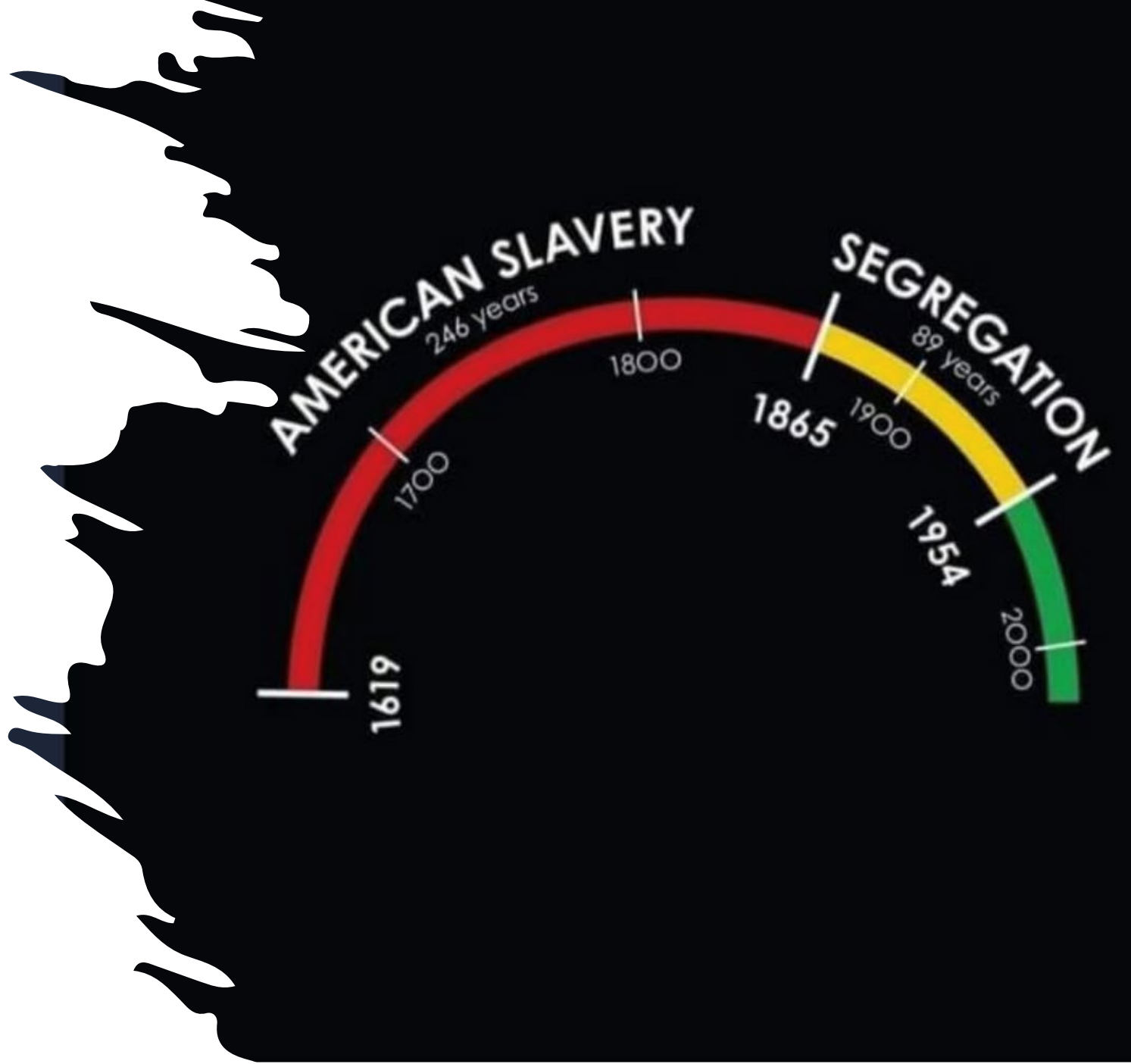
From whips to guns, the slave patrols of the 18th century are the ancestors of modern day police departments. Mr. Floyd's killer just happened to make the news, happened to have video footage documenting his desperate screams to his deceased mother for help from the other side. Mr. Floyd's brutal killing is not an exception, but rather, it is the rule in a nation that literally made black people into things.

Anti-blackness covers the fact that society's hatred of blackness, and also its gratuitous violence against black people, is complicated by its need for our existence. For example, for white people — again, better described as those who have been racialized white — the abject inhumanity of the black reinforces their whiteness, their humanness, their power, and their privilege,

Anti-blackness describes the inability to recognize black humanity. It captures the reality that the kind of violence that saturates black life is not based on any specific thing a black person — better described as “a person who has been racialized black” — did. The violence we experience isn’t tied to any particular transgression. It’s gratuitous and unrelenting.

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The African-American studies professor Frank B. Wilderson, who coined the term “[Afro-pessimism](#),” argues that anti-blackness indexes the structural reality so that in the larger society, blackness is inextricably tied to “slaveness.” While the system of U.S. chattel slavery technically ended over 150 years ago, it continues to mark the ontological position of black people. Thus, in the minds of many, the relation between humanity and blackness is an antagonism, is irreconcilable.





The Verdict

- I just want to offer one point of clarification: in my humble opinion, this was not (true) justice; this was accountability. There is an important distinct between the two concepts. An unjust (judicial/juridical) system, like ours, is incapable of achieving justice; in fact, it has no real interest in doing so. It can, however, ensure accountability. Why? Because accountability is a term that it is familiar even comfortable with precisely because “accountability” is a component of our (anti-Black) racialized capitalistic system.
- Racialized capitalism continues to commoditize Black bodies by marking them as disposable sites of and for surplus value extraction. Real justice is what we should be fighting for, because real justice holds the potential to eradicate the value gap--the gap that holds that white lives are valuable and Black lives are not—that this country along with our judicial system is predicated on. It’s crazy when millions of people have been led to believe that accountability is justice. They are not synonyms. Accountability is the bare minimum in a civil society. Anyway, we can celebrate this modicum of accountability, but, at the same time, we can never stop fighting for justice—real justice.

Minding the Obligation Gap

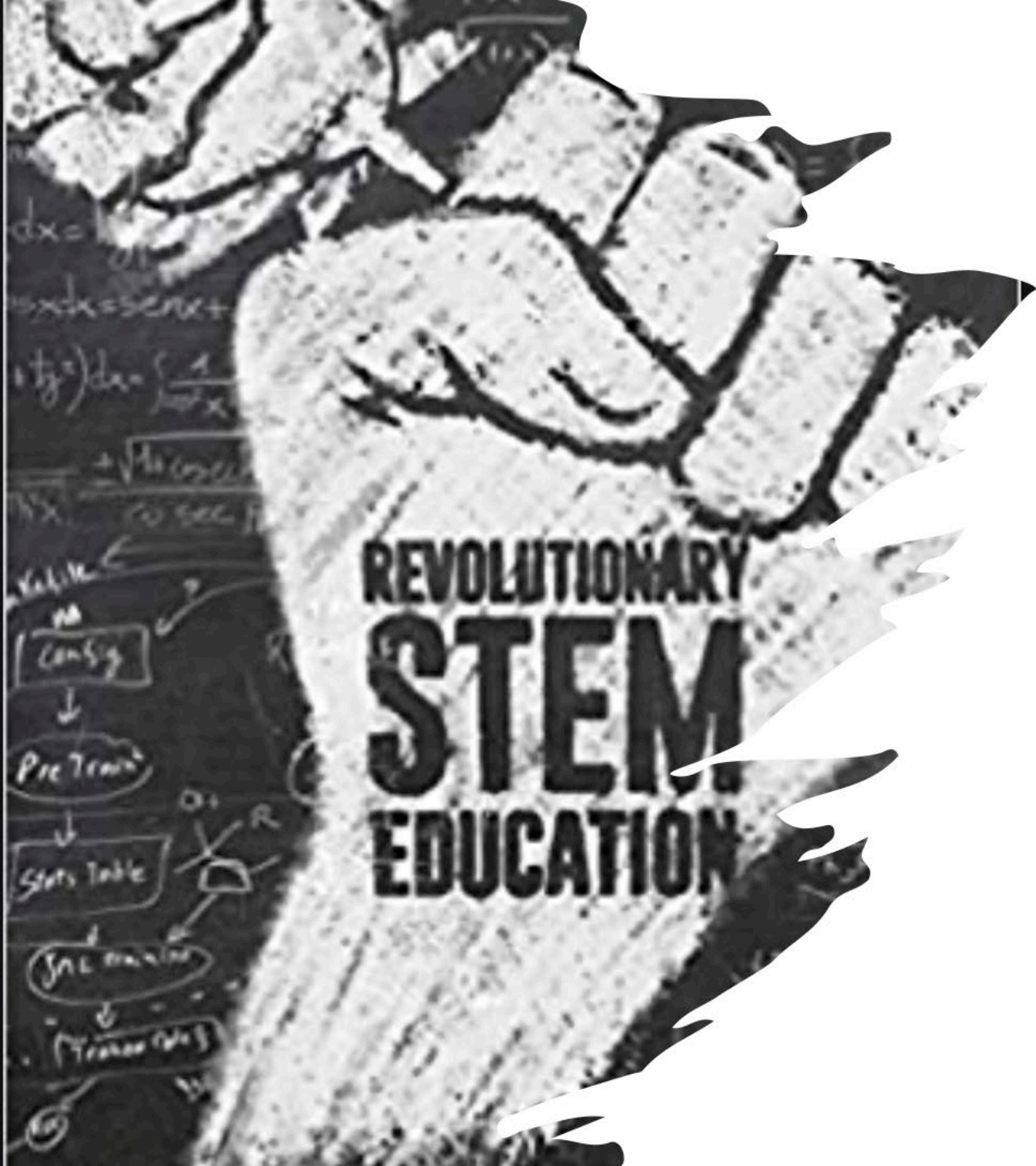
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Racialized Capitalism

White supremacy is, first and foremost, a political orientation that works in the interest of accruing, centralizing, and hoarding both money and power (Sims, et al., 2020, p.73).



It is important to note that these structural-institutionalized bulwarks of inequity are not accidental any more than the genocidal land theft and peripheralizing of Indigenous peoples is. Rather, they are designed to ensure a material dowry, ad Infinium, while they, simultaneously, uphold the unholy marriage between white supremacy and perverse, racialized capitalism.

This material (and corporeal) dowry is accrued on the backs of people of color precisely because in this country, capitalism is built atop a foundation of white supremacy, which is inextricably and inescapably anti-Black (Sims, 2018, p. 77).

Action Item	Status	Amount
Ethnic Studies Speaker Series	Approved	\$6000
Anti-fascism Speaker Series	Approved	\$6000
Student Social Justice Conference	Approved	\$8000
Full-time Staff Assistant	Approved	50%
Student Emergency Grants	Pending Approval	

Personal Items Pantry

Pending Approval

Compensation for student experts	Approved	\$14301
6-Unit Release time	Approved	.02
Adjunct Personal Counselor	Approved	50%
Funding for Student-led equity initiatives	Approved	\$3750



CSM's Action Plan

- The overarching goal of CSM's action plan is to expand the Office of Equity so that there is a safe, centralized space for practitioners to diagnose and to support others as they become increasingly adroit in diagnosing (and treating) the root causes of educational inequity on our campus.