Developing a K-12 Curriculum about Pauli Murray

The Pauli Murray Project gathered undergraduate and graduate students from Duke, UNC-Chapel Hill, Brown University, UNC-Greensboro, and AmeriCorps to conduct research that lays the groundwork for educational K-12 curriculum for our new exhibit, *Pauli Murray: Imp, Crusader, Dude, Priest*. The exhibit opens this August at the Scrap Exchange... [read more].

LGBTQ History and Activism: Duke, Durham, and Beyond

In the spring semester, Director of the Pauli Murray Project, Barbara Lau taught a seminar course focused on documenting and analyzing LGBTQ life at Duke and in Durham. The class took a field trip to the Levine Museum of the New South in Charlotte, NC to visit the Pauli Murray exhibit. For student reflections on the experience and more information about the course, click [here](#).

Pauli Murray House Receives National Honor

The Pauli Murray House was named a National Treasure by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The house is the only site in North Carolina to have received this honor. Click [here](#) to read the press release from the National Trust for Historic Preservation to learn more about why Murray's childhood home was chosen for the honor.
**Film and Discussion Series**
This year, the Pauli Murray project hosted a film and community dialogue series called "Bridging the Gap: Generations of Human Rights Activism". The film and conversation series featured five films about the Civil Rights Movement followed by discussions on how to integrate the history of activism spirit into current social justice movements.

**Koonz Prize 2015 Winners**
**Best Essay and Alternative Project**
The recipients of the 2015 Oliver W. Koonz Prize - which recognizes the innovative work being done on human rights by students - were Jaclyn Grace for her outstanding essay and a team of students: Phia Sennett, Cassie Yuan, Meghan O'Neil, and Yi Ying for the best alternative project.

**Best Essay**
"The Human Rights Patriarchy: 'Masculine Liberal Subjects' and the Paradox of Universalism"

*In her provocative meditation on equal rights in unequal societies, Jaclyn Grace cogently thinks through her skepticism about the possibility of human rights in patriarchal contexts - i.e. in all modern societies...*more.*

**Best Alternative Project**
Film, "Crude Oil in the Niger Delta"

*Do humans have a right to live in a healthy environment? These students not only believe they do, but also acknowledge how tedious and politically fraught the realization of this ideal can be...*more.*

**Human Rights Awareness Week**
**A project of the DHRC@FHI Student Advisory Board**
Students from the DHRC@FHI Student Advisory Board painted the bridge between East and West campus to spread the word about Human Rights Awareness Week, which took place March 23rd-27th.

The Monday night event was a panel conversation about race and law enforcement. The panel was featured in a Chronicle article on March 24th, which highlighted the wide variation in perspectives represented at the event.

"Participants were conflicted over the level of activism in campus life. Although some felt Duke students as a whole were well-informed, others believed that a majority of students were not very aware of social profiling issues."

Read the Chronicle article in full [here](#).
DHRC@FHI Awards 7 Grants for Summer Human Rights Research

This year’s award recipients include seven students, both undergraduate and graduate students. The projects that will receive support this summer will focus on a number of human rights issues including healthcare access, refugee resettlement, and environmental justice. The projects span all over the world from Alabama to Cyprus.

Recipients of the 2015 summer research grants include: Rachel Fraade, Laura Brody, Rinzin Dorjee, Zoie Diana, Daisy Mepukori, Danielle Purifoy, and Carolyn Peterseim. Follow their research this summer!

WOLA Book Award: Call for Submissions

Deadline for entries is June 12, 2015

The Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA) and Duke University announce the eighth annual WOLA-Duke Book Award for Human Rights in Latin America. The award honors the best current, non-fiction book published in English on human rights, democracy, and social justice in contemporary Latin America. The award will be given in the fall of 2015 by Duke University and in the spring of 2016 by WOLA in Washington, DC. The author of the winning book will be invited to give a reading at these two events and will receive a $1,000 cash prize...more.

Student Interview with David Tolbert

"Is the International Community Abandoning the Fight Against Impunity?"

In March, David Tolbert presented a talk as part of the Commissioning Truths Speaker Series, and was interviewed over email by Sarah Kerman, a freshman undergraduate student.

What is your advice to students thinking of a career in Human Rights?

Obviously, getting a good grounding in human rights law and principles is important. I would also strongly suggest that students get relevant experience. Thus, working with national or local civil society efforts, so that they have an understanding of who they are working for and understanding the challenges is essential. I would also say, for the lawyers who read this, that you should get some practice experience. When I was Deputy Chief Prosecutor at the International Center for Transitional Justice, I was not very interested in lawyers who did not know their national system, as that is where the relevant experience is gained. So, I would advise that in addition to obtaining the education in the field of your choosing, students should look to work with those on the front line, e.g., victims, affected communities, activists...more.
30 Years after Argentina

Sayad Kashua, "The Arabs in Israel: The Inaudible Cry for Citizenship"

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