



Duke Human Rights Center

AT THE FRANKLIN HUMANITIES INSTITUTE

News and Events from DHRC

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to campus and a special shout out to all incoming students! We look forward to seeing you at events or through your involvement with our programs. In this newsletter, you will find updates about the two Bass Connections projects kicking off this fall, a link to blog posts from the five Human Rights Research Grant recipients, information about the Human Rights Certificate and a few of our upcoming events. Please reach out to us if you want to get involved with the Duke Human Rights Center@FHI this semester.

New Bass Connections Projects Underway this Fall

The Duke Human Rights Center at FHI is excited to announce two Bass Connections projects kicking off this fall: *Sowers and Reapers* and the continuation of the ACRE-DHRC@FHI partnership with a new Bass-sponsored project.



The *Sowers and Reapers* course brings humanities tools to the issue of environmental justice and migration. Students will document how Durham residence engage with issues around climate change, environmental justice, and gentrification through their gardens.



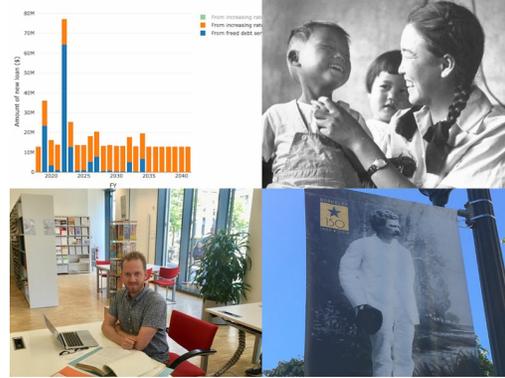
Enrollment for the Spring 2018 module of *Sowers and Reapers* (CulAnth 290.07) opens in October.

Last week the new Bass Connections team of students traveled to Lowndes County to continue the four-year partnership with the Alabama Center for Rural Enterprise (ACRE). The focus for this year will be on developing technological solutions for the sanitation problems and researching the history of environmental justice in the area in order to create policy recommendations. You can read more about that ongoing work [here](#).

Catch Up with the Summer Research Grant Recipients

Each year, DHRC awards Summer Research funding to outstanding graduate and undergraduate students interested in developing, implementing and working in

human rights both in the U.S and abroad. This past summer, DHRC Summer Research Grant recipients conducted research and archival work on a range of subjects from water rights to collective memory and understandings of genocide. [Read updates about their projects](#) on their profile pages.



Get Engaged with The Human Rights Certificate Program

Last year we graduated our first cohort of seniors with the Human Rights Certificate. We want to encourage anyone interested in pursuing the Certificate to reach out early in the semester.

The Human Rights Certificate offers students an in-depth and rigorous interdisciplinary study of human rights history, theory and practice, cultivating life-long learners and engaged citizens who have a deep and nuanced understanding of human rights. Through their studies, students engage not only with histories and ideas, but also the people who do human rights work or who see themselves as in need of human rights protection.



For more information about the Human Rights Certificate visit the [DHRC website](#) or contact Emily Stewart at emily.stewart@duke.edu.

Upcoming Human Rights Events

FHI Open House for Undergraduates

[Tuesday, September 4](#)
[4:00 PM - 6:00 PM](#)
[Ahmadieh Family Lecture Hall, Smith Warehouse Bay 4, Room C105](#)

Come visit the Franklin Humanities Institute to learn about opportunities for Duke undergraduates in our humanities labs, the Duke Human Rights Center at the Franklin Humanities Institute, and the Story+ program! There will be brief presentations, and you will have the chance to speak to lab directors and program representatives about ways to get involved.

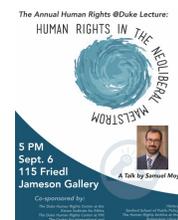


Free food and drinks will be served, including LOCOPOPS! Faculty, graduate students, and staff welcome!

Human Rights in the Neoliberal Maelstrom

[Thursday, September 6](#)
[5:00 PM - 7:00 PM](#)
[Jameson Gallery, 115 Friedl, Duke East Campus](#)

Join us for the second annual Human Rights @Duke Lecture, presented by Samuel Moyn. In his provocative new book, *Not Enough: Human Rights in an Unequal World*, Professor Moyn analyzes how and why we chose to make human rights our highest ideals while simultaneously neglecting the demands of a broader social and economic justice.



On Thursday, September 6 at 12 PM the Duke Human Rights Center at FHI will host a lunch for students with Professor Moyn. Please email [Emily](#)

[Stewart](#) if you would like to attend.

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