African Americans, Health, and Policing during the Age of the Corona Virus: Historical and Contemporary Policy Perspectives

During these challenging times in African American and U.S. history, the Center for African American Urban Studies and the Economy (CAUSE) and the Heinz College of Information Systems and Public Policy are pleased to announce a virtual speaker’s series on racial disparities in American policing and health care systems. Along with many colleges and universities across the country, Carnegie Mellon University has pledged to help eradicate “systemic racism” from all facets of the nation’s institutions within and beyond academia. Most immediately, however, there is a preponderance of interest in understanding and dismantling racialized policing and health care systems. These institutions place African Americans and other people of color at the center of both state violence against citizens as well as the destructive impact of the Covid-19 pandemic among other health hazards.

Speakers:

Friday, January 22, 2021, 4:30-6:00pm
RSVP to Attend: https://cmu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwkcOCgqzkIkGKOEiuXh4Xwceo41Ayxx8WZG

Friday, February 19, 2021, 4:30-6:00pm
Alondra Nelson, “Contemporary Movements to Combat the Racial Disparities of Covid-19 Compared to Past Efforts to Address Epidemics and Pandemics in the United States”
RSVP to Attend: https://cmu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcpG-yqDB8rQUQKxt41vFlFyYvqab

Friday, March 19, 2021, 4:30-6:00pm
RSVP to Attend: https://cmu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwdeupqTlvGdVk8rHxgeJw6ib0utVf51A

Friday, March 26, 2021, 4:30-6:00pm
Public Forum, “Taking Stock: Lessons Learned from Historical and Contemporary Policy Perspectives on Health Disparities,” Co-Moderated by a Faculty Member from the Heinz College and the Department of History, Dietrich College (TBA).
RSVP to Attend: https://cmu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYzc0yqqkEB6K16zhW9LZPsG76DOjcu1U

Friday, April 9, 2020-21, 4:30-6:00pm
Michael Fortner “Black Silent Majority: The Rockefeller Drug Laws and the Politics of Punishment and Its Contemporary Policy Implications”
RSVP to Attend: https://cmu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYqd-itrzIjHNCT4vnd0fRXK4ubxkHZbD

Friday, April 30, 2021, 4:30-6:00pm
Simon Balto, “Occupied Territory: Policing Black Chicago from Red Summer to Black Power”
RSVP to Attend: https://cmu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJc5f-rTr4rHNBy_KPpxijICchxLwnyYF6SOQ

Friday, May 7, 2021, 4:30-6:00
Public Forum, “Taking Stock: Lessons Learned from Historical and Contemporary Policy Perspectives on Racialized and Violent Policing,” Co-Moderated by a Faculty Member from the Heinz College and the Department of History, Dietrich College (TBA).
RSVP to Attend: https://cmu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcsf-rTr4rHNBy_KPpxijICchxLwnyYF6SOQ

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