Black. Lives. Matter. These three words have given voice to a new era of activism responding to the litany of African-American shooting deaths at the hands of police and vigilantes in recent years, and more broadly to the anti-black racism that has pervaded U.S. society since slavery. At this day-long teach-in we will foreground the vital work that activists do to promote racial justice across a variety of arenas. Our hope is that everyone—from those who’ve never given much thought to activism to those who are on the frontlines of the Black Lives Matter movement—will come away with a renewed commitment to be a proactive advocate for black life.

9:30am - 10:00am  Doors Open/Sign-In
10:00am - 10:30am  Introduction
10:30am - 12:00pm  Roundtable: Why and How Racial Justice Activism Matters
12:00pm - 1:30pm  Lunch and faculty-led discussion groups (please sign up on the registration link so we can have an accurate head-count!)
1:30pm - 3:00pm  Activists in Dialogue: What Does a Pro-Black Activist Agenda Look Like?
3:00pm - 4:30pm  Call to Action: Our Collective Responsibility to Safeguard Black Life

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