Housed at the Institute of African American Research, Student Learning to Advance Truth and Equity (SLATE) is a University-wide initiative designed to engage undergraduates in a critical understanding of race, racism, and racial equity, especially concerning African Americans. In May 2021, SLATE awarded ten research fellowships to outstanding undergraduates across a range of disciplines and paired them with faculty research fellows to engage in novel learning opportunities in original, faculty-mentored research. The Fall 2021 SLATE Undergraduate Research Symposium serves as a showcase of their scholarship.

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Day 1- Wednesday, September 8, 5-7:30 pm
https://unc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Hwywj4z4SsuqTUf0u8AALg

Day 2 -Thursday, September 9, 5-7:30 pm
https://unc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ovMhMf6fSO2lIsZuQsWPTg
5-5:10 Welcome and Introduction

5:10-5:50 | Session 1
“An Analysis of the Vote in 2020 to Remove the Confederate Flag from the Mississippi State Flag”

Keywords: southern politics, black politics, state legislative politics

Student Research Fellows: 
Khamiah Alderman, Public Policy
Jorren Biggs, African, African American and Diaspora Studies; Political Science

Faculty Research Fellow/ Mentor: 
Christopher Clark, Associate Professor, Political Science

5:50-6:30 | Session 2
“Untangling and Milling Through: To Learn about a Place in a Way that Expands it”

Student Research Fellows: 
Lila Richardson, Creative Writing and Geography
Fowota Mortoo, Global Studies

Keywords: archive, boundaries, language, land, ethnography

Faculty Research Fellow/ Mentor: 
Chérie Rivers Ndaliko, Associate Professor, Geography

6:30-6:35 Break

6:35-7:05 | Session 3
“Young, Gifted, & Black: The Impact of American Systems on the Black Experience”

Keywords: activism, performance, race, impact

Student Research Fellow: 
Imani Williams, Communication

Faculty Research Fellow/ Mentor: 
Joseph Megel, Director, UNC’s Process Series
Artist-in-Residence and Teaching Professor, Communication

7:05 Closing Remarks
5-5:10 | Welcome and introduction

5:10-5:50 | Session 1
“The ORIGINal Power of Black Women: UNC Voices of Invisibility”
Keywords: Black womanhood, origin stories

Student Research Fellows:
Victoria Bryant, Public Policy; Political Science
Kayla McLaurn, Journalism

Faculty Research Fellow/ Mentor:
Bernard Bell
Executive Director, Shuford Program in Entrepreneurship |
Department of Economics

5:50-6:20 | Session 2
“A Local History of a Global Struggle: Protest in Chapel Hill”
Keywords: gentrification, protest, art, civil rights

Student Research Fellow:
Lilla Duffy, Art History

Faculty Research Fellow/ Mentor:
Joseph Megel, Director, UNC’s Process Series
Artist-in-Residence and Teaching Professor, Communication

6:20-6:25 Break
6:25-6:55 | Session 3
“It Takes a Village: Highlighting community-driven solutions that strengthen pregnancy and birthing support for BIPOC families”
Keywords: community pregnancy support, birthing people, storytelling

Student Research Fellow: **Denee Dapremont**, Anthropology

Collaborator:
Dr. Anne Berry, Preventive Medicine Resident
UNC Department of Family Medicine

Faculty Research Fellow/ Mentor:
Angela Stuesse, Associate Professor, Anthropology

6:55-7:25 | Session 4
“After Being Named Essential: Impacts of COVID-19 on a Racialized Workplace”
Keywords: racial disparities, worker justice, social determinants of health, industrialized agriculture, structural violence

Student Research Fellow: **Kevin Gomez-Gonzalez**, Journalism

Faculty Research Fellow/ Mentor:
Angela Stuesse, Associate Professor, Anthropology

7:25 | Closing Remarks