Fall 2015 Undergraduate Open Seminar

GEOG 199: Ferguson and Beyond: Race, Space, and the Police in 21st Century America

Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m. Location: IPRH Lecture Hall CRN: 65148, 3 Credit Hours (Levis Faculty Center, 4th Floor)

Instructors:

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This course is intended for undergraduate students in any major who seek to understand the events that unfolded in Ferguson, Missouri during the late fall and early winter of 2014: the shooting of Michael Brown by police officer Darren Wilson, the subsequent Grand Jury decision not to indict Officer Wilson, and the protests, riots, and civil disturbances that followed that decision in Ferguson and nationwide. 'Ferguson' will be used as shorthand in this course as we explore the past, present, and future of racialized marginalization and oppression as it plays out in U.S. cities and suburbs. We will examine the dynamics of policing, spatial segregation, racism, and social/economic oppression.

GEOG 199 is intentionally multi-disciplinary, organized by professors from multiple departments, and will also include guest lectures from a range of scholars with expertise pertaining to the central issues of the course. Please contact any of the instructors listed above for more information.

