

(DIS)ORIENTATION SYLLABUS: YALE, RESPECT NEW HAVEN

UNIT 1 (TUESDAY): Welcome, Yale: A Historical Lens

- Geeta Doctor, Scroll.in, [“The Indian History of the Racist, Slave-Trading Yale University Founder.”](#)
- Tom Almeroth-Williams, University of Cambridge, [“The Great University Land-Grab.”](#)
- Antony Dugdale, J. J. Fueser & J. Celso de Castro Alves, [“Yale, Slavery and Abolition.”](#)

ACTIONS

1. Share Local 33’s [“we live with these names, why do we have to pay for them?”](#)
2. Sign the [Yale: Respect New Haven petition](#), demanding that Yale pay what it owes annually to the city in withheld property taxes.
3. Share the petition with five people.

UNIT 2 (WEDNESDAY): Today’s Map & Viral Consequences

- [New Haven Independent, Covid Call: “Let’s Change the Maps.”](#)
- [Datahaven, CT Data Story, “Segregation in Greater New Haven.”](#)

ACTIONS

1. If you can, donate to [Greater New Haven COVID-19 Community Fund](#).
2. Talk to a peer or friend about Yale’s role in segregated development and gentrification in New Haven and what steps you can take, as a Yale student, to keep New Haven safe from the spread of COVID-19.
3. Support [Mutual Aid in New Haven](#).

UNIT 3 (THURSDAY): Police Violence and Racial Terror

- [Black Students For Disarmament, June 16th Teach-In](#).
- [Sarah Force & Christina Hijiya, Alternatives to policing in New Haven](#).
- [The Narrative Project & Artspace New Haven, Revolution on Trial](#).

ACTIONS

1. Sign Black Students for Disarmament’s petition to [defund the Yale Police and reinvest into New Haven](#).

2. Email Yale administration, Mayor Justin Elicker, and the Board of Alders about [dismantling the YPD](#).
3. Donate to [City Wide Youth Coalition](#) and the [Justin for Jayson Abolition Fund](#).

UNIT 4 (FRIDAY): Endowment Injustice & Austerity

- [Yale Endowment Justice Coalition, "The Yale Endowment" & the Yale Endowment Justice Coalition Demands](#).
- [Black Students for Disarmament & Yale Endowment Justice Coalition, Teach-In July 24th](#).
- Peter Conti-Brown, [Scarcity Amidst Wealth: The Law, Culture, and Finance of Elite University Endowments in Financial Crisis](#).

ACTIONS

1. [Record a video calling on Yale to respect New Haven](#) & Share it!
2. Sign up for the [disorientation](#).
3. Invite 5 friends.