“On Violence: Fall 2023 Experimental Study Sequence”
Led and facilitated by the students of MCS 201 (“Racial-Colonial [State] Violence”) at UC Riverside

Sponsored by the Decolonizing Humanism(?) programming stream at the Center for Ideas and Society

(open participation, NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED)
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Join us for a sequence of conversations with authors of key texts addressing violence, empire, liberation, solidarity, abolition, and the problem of “Man”/human. These short (60-75 minute) sessions will be led by students of MCS 201 (Racial-Colonial [State] Violence) at UC Riverside, taught by Prof. Dylan Rodríguez. Online participants will have opportunities to engage with authors during the sessions, to whatever extent time permits. This is an experiment. We hope you will read the authors’ work prior to each study meeting, but as importantly, we aspire to cultivate a sense of intellectual collaboration, curiosity, and activated thought.

October 11, 11:30 am-1:00 pm
Liat Ben-Moshe, Decarcerating Disability: Deinstitutionalization and Prison Abolition
Co-sponsored by UC Riverside Health Humanities and Disability Justice (HHDJ) Initiative

October 31, 11 am-12 pm
Harsha Walia, Border and Rule: Global Migration, Capitalism, and the Rise of Racist Nationalism

November 8, 11 am-12:20 pm
Nicole Nguyen, Terrorism on Trial: Political Violence and Abolitionist Futures

November 15 (hybrid: in-person and online), 11 am-12:20 pm
Benjamin Weber, American Purgatory: Prison Imperialism and the Rise of Mass Incarceration

November 22, 11 am-12:20 pm
Joshua Bennett, Being Property Once Myself: Blackness and the End of Man

November 29, 11 am-12:20 pm
Dean Spade, Mutual Aid: Building Solidarity During this Crisis (and the next)

December 8, 5:00-6:30 pm
William C. Anderson, The Nation on No Map: Black Anarchism and Abolition