

meet this year's SAB

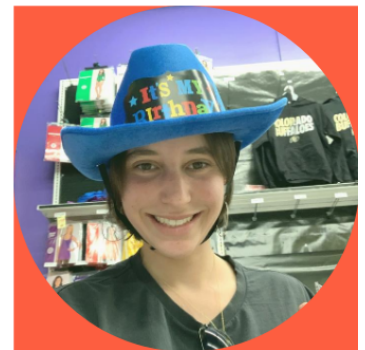


Cameron Mongoven
senior • fall & spring

Hi y'all, I'm Cam. I am really excited to be part of the SAB this year and am hoping to bring a bit of extra creativity to make sure we can still make an impactful community this year! This summer I was able to help cut the Austin, TX police department budget by 1/3 by reviewing recommending changes to surveillance and biometric contracts that the city had. Yay social justice!

Dara Bellinsun
senior • fall & spring

Hello, my name is Dara. I am currently a senior at CC and am originally from Michigan. I am interested in pursuing a Masters degree in Social Work following graduation, as I am passionate about community organization. Alongside academics I am the Art Editor for Cipher Magazine and an active member of CC's Hillel Chapter. I can't wait to get this year started!



Katie Trinh
junior • fall



Hi guys! My name is Katie, and I am so excited to be a part of SAB this year. I am from Los Angeles, California, and I am especially passionate about topics revolving prison reform, race, and education. On campus, I am involved in Greek Life, Honor Council, ASU, and the Admissions Team. I can't wait to plan some cool programming for the sociology department!

new courses added!

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- **B4: SO290 Constructing Solidarity and Mutual Aid in the Pandemic Era**
with Professor Eric Popkin * *This course explores the concept and practice of mutual aid organizing historically and its underlying premise of "solidarity." Students will examine specific organizing efforts in the era of COVID-19.*
- **J-B: SO290 Crimmigration: The criminalization of immigration and immigrants**
with Professor Florencia Rojo * *This course bridges the sociology of race, immigration, and critical criminology to understand the intersections between US immigration policy and the criminal punishment system.*
- **B5: SO290 Global Mental Health Policy**
with Professor Chantal Figueroa * *Presents a decolonial critique of the bio-medical model of mental health, posing the question "what is mental health?" from a historical & community-level frame. This course examines how power is inherent in mental health, employing an intersectional, interdisciplinary and decolonial approach.*
- **B8: SO290 Poverty and Social Welfare in the U.S.**
with Professor Cayce Hughes * *A sociological examination of poverty in the U.S. and the social welfare programs that aim to mitigate it. Students will consider competing theories about the underlying causes of poverty, how these ideas have informed policy, and critically assess the contemporary social welfare regime.*

new & returning faculty



Cayce Hughes

Dr. Hughes research and teaching interests include urban poverty, social inequalities, privacy and surveillance, the safety net, and health. He is currently working on a book examining how low-income, Black mothers in a high-poverty neighborhood in Houston, TX, navigate privacy when they seek assistance from an increasingly surveillance-centered safety net. In his spare time, Dr. Hughes loves cooking, baking, gardening, and trying to tame his two cats whose current mission is to interrupt Zoom meetings. He is excited to meet students and get to know CC as much as possible in the strangest of times!

Dr. Cayce Hughes is teaching Urban Sociology (B1); Deviance & Social Control (B3, B6); and Poverty & Social Welfare in the U.S. (B8).



Chantal Figueroa

My name is Dr. Chantal Figueroa and I am a queer Guatemalan scholar. I use she/her/ella pronouns. My pedagogy centers a feminist and decolonial approach to our everyday lived experience to understand systems of oppression. In my research, I focus on evaluating psychiatric institutions in Latin America to improve the services afforded to people with psychiatric disabilities and to critically examine what we mean by mental health. This summer I worked on co-editing a volume called *Dis/ability in Latin America: The Intersection of Education, Power, and Identity* which comes out May 2021. I am excited to be joining the department of Sociology this fall and meeting students old and new.

Dr. Chantal Figueroa is teaching Gender Inequality (B2, B7); Global Health: Biosocial Perspectives (B3); and Global Mental Health Policy (B5).



Sandi Wong

As I return from sabbatical and begin my 21st year at CC, I look forward to meeting students, majors, and new faculty. I am especially eager to discuss and critically analyze issues of race, racism, and racial inequality as they relate to COVID-19, courageous movements for social justice, and what is at stake in the upcoming U.S. presidential election. A sociological perspective seems invaluable in these turbulent, challenging, yet promising times

Dr. Sandi Wong is teaching Racial Inequality (B2, B4) and Sociology of Education (B6).

new capstone options

Check out the new Sociology Capstone Guide on the Soc. Website for more information

The department has switched from a senior thesis to a senior capstone requirement. Options now include the Tradition Thesis alongside Community Based Research, Applied Sociology, and Documentary Film capstones.

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