

CENTERS + INSTITUTES

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Social Justice Institute

The Social Justice Institute strives to create a just world. We examine the root causes of social injustice and develop innovative solutions by supporting creative research, scholarship, and pedagogy; social justice leaders on and off campus; and relationships within the university and into the community. We work to eradicate all systems of oppression by redistributing and expanding resources and opportunities while exalting human dignity.

We believe in:

- action
- community involvement
- education
- empathetic relationships
- equity
- human dignity
- inclusiveness
- intergenerational collaboration

The Social Justice Institute believes that university communities should be educators and leaders in advancing an inclusive and just society that raises awareness of social injustice; enhances moral courage; promotes critical thinking about power, privilege and equity; and encourages action and equitable solutions.

Undergraduate students from across the university have the opportunity to pursue a minor in Social Justice that prepares them to address local, national and global inequities. An interdisciplinary and flexible approach allows students majoring in the humanities or in STEM fields to address a wide range of crucial issues. The curriculum emphasizes the history, theory and practice of social justice work. It examines the distribution of power, resources and opportunities, and appropriate individual and collective remedies for social injustice.

Centers + Institutes by School

- College of Arts and Sciences
- Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing
- School of Law
- School of Medicine
- Weatherhead School of Management

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Programs

Social Justice Institute

- Social Justice, Minor