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Civil Rights and Racial Justice: A Tour Through the South

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Instructors

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An exploration of the modern civil rights movement through lectures, shared readings, tours and discussion.

Among the topics we will explore:

- Movement origins;
- Montgomery Bus Boycott;
- March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom;
- Mississippi Freedom Summer;
- Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party;
- Race, class, gender, and region in the movement;
- Black Power.



Some of the places we will visit:

- Highlander Folk School in Tennessee;
- Rosa Parks Museum in Montgomery, Alabama;
- National Memorial for Peace and Justice in Birmingham, Alabama;
- Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama;
- Equal Justice Initiative Legacy Museum in Montgomery, Alabama;
- Delta Blues Museum in Clarksdale, Mississippi.

This course includes a two-week tour of civil rights sites in the South. Final class sessions will be on Zoom after the return to Iowa City. At each site, you will meet with historians, museum curators, interpreters, and participant-observers. Please note:

- [Course prerequisites on MyUI](#)
- Space is limited
- Tour includes students from Indiana University-South Bend



Register by 5 p.m., Friday, April 12, 2024, to ensure availability.

Please email yolanda-spears@uiowa.edu or ashley-howard@uiowa.edu to indicate your interest in registering.