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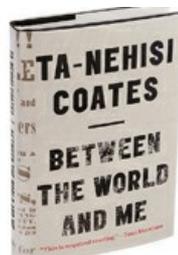
Compiled with the latest news, deadlines, and events, the Summarium seeks to act as a resource to our community as we enter a new week.

### Update on the Search for Associate Dean for Curriculum and General Education

The committee that will guide the search process to select the next associate dean for curriculum and general education has been determined. The committee will meet in the upcoming weeks to prepare the position announcement and call for applicants. Further updates will be shared with the community as the search process progresses. The search committee is comprised of the following members: Michael Feltner, Dean; Kendra Killpatrick, Senior Associate Dean; Kindalee De Long, Associate Dean for Student and Faculty Development; Gary Cobb, SFS Executive Committee appointee; Roshawnda Derrick, faculty representative appointed by SFS; Cynthia Colburn, faculty representative appointed by SFS; Stella Erbes, Divisional Dean representative; and Christian Abad, student representative.

### Listening to Black Voices

These few resources, far from exhaustive, are meant to assist non-Black community members as they listen to Black students and colleagues and incorporate antiracist pedagogies into the classroom.



#### Between the World and Me

Ta-Nehisi Coates' 2015 *New York Times* bestseller and National Book Award winner *Between the World and Me* is a powerful letter written to Coates' son. It offers a framework for understanding the nation's history and current crisis. What is it like to inhabit a black body and find a way to live within it? And how can we all honestly reckon with this fraught history and free ourselves from its burden?



#### Brandon Byrd on Black Intellectual Histories

In an interview with the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, author and historian Brandon Byrd shares his insights on the marginalized field of African American intellectual histories. Byrd, author of *The Black Republic: African Americans and the Fate of Haiti* and assistant professor of history at Vanderbilt University, explains how he began to view African American

*Between the World and Me* is Coates' attempt to answer these questions through a series of revelatory experiences, from Howard University to Civil War battlefields, from the South Side of Chicago to Paris, from his childhood home to the living rooms of mothers whose children's lives were taken as American plunder. Learn more about the book at [Pepperdine Libraries](#).

intellectual history differently—as challenging the Eurocentric histories. In the interview he highlights how “African American intellectual history is driven by the ethics of freedom: freedom of exploring new methodologies, of exploring new sources, of exploring what intellectual histories *can* look like.” Read the [full interview](#).

For additional resources, explore Payson Library's [digital book display](#) of more than 50 titles on racial inequality, racial justice, and anti-racism. In an effort to provide anti-racist resources and amplify the voices of our Black faculty, students, and community members, the Summarium will continue to feature resources here. If you have resources to submit for consideration, please contact [Abigail Ramsey](#).

## Keeping the Community Connected

### Faculty Spotlight

Each week during remote learning we will highlight a faculty member who is doing something special to make their class an outstanding academic experience for their students.



**Roshawnda Derrick**, Seaver College assistant professor of Hispanic studies, has incorporated a tablet and iPad as live-streaming whiteboards to help her SPAN 345 students with Spanish phonetic symbols. Along with the new technology, Derrick's classrooms incorporate pedagogies from the CTE's ROOT training and Advanced Flipped Classroom course.

### Sabbatical Presentation Series Begins

Join us on Zoom for community with your faculty colleagues and to learn about research conducted during 2019–2020 sabbaticals.



The series begins on **Wednesday, September 15, 11:50 AM–1 PM with presentations by Kevin Iga and Julianne Smith**. Learn more, find the full schedule of presentations, and RSVP to attend on the [Sabbatical Presentation Series website](#). Those who RSVP will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom link.

[Learn More and RSVP](#)

### SCCUR Saturdays

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Southern California Conferences for Undergraduate Research developed the new monthly digital events SCCUR Saturdays.



On **September 19 at 11 AM PDT**, Seaver College assistant professor of biology **Helen Holmlund** will host the first event with her presentation, “Articulating your

Research Experience to Others.” Students, faculty, and staff are welcome to attend.

[Register to Attend](#)

## Be the Bridge Small Groups

Encourage your students to get involved with the new "Be the Bridge" small groups this fall.



In this small group series, sponsored by the Seaver Diversity Council and the Seaver Dean's Office, groups of 6 to 8 students are led by faculty and staff to have deep conversations about personal and relational approaches to racial justice. These groups will use Latasha Morrison's [Be the Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation](#). Contact [Bryant Crubaugh](#) or [Natalia Escobedo](#) for more information.

[Learn More and Sign Up](#)

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## All Seaver Meeting

Open to all full-time faculty and staff, the fall All Seaver Meeting will provide updates on the fall semester, plans for the January session and the 2021 spring semester, and the College's strategic plan. Zoom link forthcoming via email.

[Add to Calendar](#)

## Research at Pepperdine

Every day our community is engaging in research and scholarship across disciplines. Explore faculty stories and potential funding opportunities below.

### Nicholas Zola on Tatian's Diatessaron

Seaver College associate professor of religion Nicholas Zola shares how his latest book *The Gospel of Tatian: Exploring the Nature and Text of the Diatessaron* informs his New Testament classrooms.



[Read More](#)

## Funding Opportunities

**Enduring Impacts: Archeology of Sustainability** Focuses on gathering and analysis of archaeological, paleoenvironmental, and paleoclimatological data for the purposes of understanding human-environmental interactions over time. Applications due October 14. [Learn More](#) ►

Supports PhD students and early career researchers working in

**Researcher Mobility Grants** either academia or industry to undertake short to mid-term scientific visits to collaborators at overseas or UK organizations. Applications due October 14. [Learn More ▶](#)

**Innovative, Developmental, and Exploratory Awards (IDEA)** Seeks applications that challenge existing paradigms, represent a new direction for the PI, and encourage innovation by the incorporation of techniques and approaches not yet well represented in mainstream breast cancer research. Applications due October 15. [Learn More ▶](#)

**Internal Funding Opportunities** With the support of the President, the Provost, and the deans there are a number of internally-funded research programs available to faculty, staff, and students in order to encourage and support quality scholarly activity. [Learn More ▶](#)

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