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SAVING THE UNIVERSITY FROM DOOM

ABOLITION, FEMINISM, AND COMMUNITY REBELLIONS IN THE CLASSROOM AND BEYOND

a feminist pedagogy workshop
by lorgia garcía-peña

Our colleges and universities sit on stolen land, built by enslaved labor to serve the interests of colonial structures that are based on exclusion. We have known this for years. For years we have also tried to decolonize the university via legislation and practices aimed at creating modes of inclusion. Some of those laws and practices are now under attack. Have we failed? What is then our responsibility as feminist teachers and students? How do/ or should we save the university from doom? This workshop proposes radical community – the co-creation of safe, shared spaces within the university – and abolition feminism – the anti-colonial strategy for attending to the urgency at hand while imagining a better world otherwise – as an antidote to the ethical dilemma we face as a university community to confront the legacies of colonialism and slavery and co-create freedom in our classrooms and beyond.



About Dr. Lorgia García-Peña:

Dr. Lorgia García-Peña is a writer, activist and scholar who specializes in Latinx Studies with a focus on Black Latinidades. Her work is concerned with the ways in which antiblackness and xenophobia intersect the Global North producing categories of exclusion that lead to violence and erasure. An engaged scholar committed to liberating education and bridging the gaps that separate the communities she comes from (Black, immigrant, working) and the university, García-Peña received a PhD in American Culture from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor and an M.A. in Latin American and Latino Literatures from Rutgers University. Currently, she serves as Professor in the Department of African American Studies & Efron Center for the Study of America at Princeton University.

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This workshop is open to faculty, graduate students, and staff interested in feminist pedagogy at SU and beyond. **Registration is required and space is limited.**

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