

# ENGAGING THE WORLD: Leading the Conversation on the Significance of Race

Fall 2020 Lecture Series Events

## A Day in the Life: The Education of Black Youth

Oct. 5, 2020, 1:00 p.m.

### Special Guests:

Dr. Damien Sojoyner

Author of *First Strike: Educational Enclosures of Black Los Angeles*  
and professor, Department of Anthropology at UCI

Dr. Sabina Vaught

Author of *Compulsory: Education and Dispossession of Youth in a Prison School*  
Professor and inaugural chair of the new Department of Teaching,  
Learning, and Leading at University of Pittsburgh

**Moderator:** Dr. Tekle Woldemikael

**Zoom Link:** [chapman.zoom.us/j/96507930939](https://chapman.zoom.us/j/96507930939)



Damien Sojoyner will discuss his book, *First Strike* which examines the root causes of California's ever-expansive prison system and disastrous educational policy. Recentring analysis of Black masculinity beyond public rhetoric, it critiques the trope of the "school-to-prison pipeline," exploring the realm of public school as a form of "enclosure" that has influenced the schooling (and denial of schooling) and imprisonment of Black people in California.



In her book, *Compulsory*, Sabina Vaught argues that through its educational apparatus, the state disproportionately removes young Black men from their homes and subjects them to the abuses of captivity. She explores the various legal and ideological forces shaping juvenile prison and prison schooling, and examines how these forces are mechanized across multiple state apparatuses, not least school.

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