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Senior Thesis Titles

Summer 2021

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Legibly Queer: LGBTQ Narrative Claims in the United States Asylum Apparatus

Fall 2021

Lauren Anderson

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Art and Revolution: A Study of David Alfaro Siqueiros' Transnational Political, Aesthetic, and Artistic Thought

Rachel Damle

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The Aesthetics of Liberalism: Challenging Individualism and Illiberalism through the Writings of Jacques Maritain

Hannah Ezer

Supervisor: Caroline Light

“Interstitial Existence,” De-Personification, and Black Women’s Resistance to Police Brutality

Oya Gursoy

Supervisor: Evren Savci

Unrest at the University: Sexuality, Security, and the Late Authoritarian State Assemblage in Turkey

Byron Hurlbut

Supervisor: Erik Baker

The Crisis of Faith in American Individualism

Paloma O'Connor

Supervisor: Katrina Forrester

The Legal Thought of John Rawls: Legal Positivism, Interpretation, and the Courts

Allison Pao

Supervisor: Meira Levinson

What Kind of Citizen Does Our Democracy Need? How Teachers' Beliefs on Citizenship Influence Their Implementation of Civics Instructional Policy Reforms

Simon Rosenblum-Larson

Supervisor: Marshall Ganz

A Whole New Ball Game: Organizing for Change in Minor League Baseball

Madeline Shue

Supervisor: Rachel Steely

"Dangerous" Strangers, Contagious Disease: Scientists, Activists, and HIV/AIDS Immigration and Travel Policy, 1987-1991

Ajay Singh

Supervisor: Vivek Bald

Making South Asian America: A Historical Study of South Asian Migrant Organizing in NYC, 1992-2003

Spring 2022

Farah Afify

Supervisor: Sara Awartani

Radical & Muslim: Islamic Liberationist Thought in the Black Panther Party

Otto Barenberg

Supervisor: Alex Mierke-Zatwarnicki

Democracy at Work: The Effects of De-Unionization on the Political Preferences and Participation of American Workers

Isabelle Bastian

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Communicating Care: Bilingual Medical Students' Linguistic Management in the Clinic

Clara Bates

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A New Vanguard: Origins of the 1928 Black Belt Thesis

Trevor Bishai

Supervisor: Bo-Mi Choi

Method over Theory: Representation and Perception in Walter Benjamin's Philosophy of History

Nyla Brewster

Supervisor: Erica Chenoweth

Revolution, Identity, & Inequality: Horizontal Inequalities in the Aftermath of Revolution

Benjamin Bryant

Supervisor: Walter Johnson

Magis Amica Veritas: An Examination of Harvard through the Lens of Racial Capitalism

Roshni Chakraborty

Supervisor: Jacqueline Bhabha

The Last Link: The Inequity of India's Response to Child Trafficking

Kelsey Chen

Supervisor: Michael Puett

Things Adrift: A Vital Materialist Account of Trinh Mai's *Bone of My Bone* as Feminist Refuge-Making Craft

Lev Cohen

Supervisor: Henry Gruber

“Young Forests of Freedom”: Ernest Jones’s Anti-Imperialist Framework of Socialist Internationalism

Elise Colin

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The Dawn of a New Curriculum: Obstacles to the Implementation of Ethnic Studies

Lucy Connor

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A Long Walk to School: Protecting the Right to Education for Migrant Children in the Reynosa Encampment

Naomi Davy

Supervisor: Evelyn Hammonds

Remembering the Forgotten River: The Risk of Environmental Gentrification along Washington, DC’s Anacostia River

Rheede Erasmus

Supervisor: Jean Comaroff

Bloodied Soil: Grounding the Value of Land in post-apartheid South Africa

Raj Gambhir

Supervisor: Michael Ortiz

Beyond Big Tech Exceptionalism: A History and Critique (1968-2021)

Herkus Gudavicius

Supervisor: Michael Mango

Memory Will Tear Us Apart: Monumentality, Ruin, and Nostalgia in the Formation of Post-Soviet Lithuania

Ruth Jaensubhakij

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To Restore the World: Anti Human Trafficking Organizations in Thailand and Protestant Churches in the U.S.

Ali Jebari

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Trials and Tribulations: Criminal Sentencing and the Subjective Experience of Punishment

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Out in the Cold: Making Ends Meet in Rural Minnesota

Alis Jones

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Rhetoric or Reform? The implementation of social prescribing in the English National Health Service (NHS)

Noor Kamal

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Owning a JPEG: The Sociocultural Value of Non-fungible Tokens

Alec Kennison

Supervisor: Fangsheng Zhu

“Fear or Hope?” Upper Middle Class Parenting Motivations, Visions, and Actions

Georgiy Kent

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Homeland Lost? Crimean Tatar Civil Society Responses to Russia’s Occupation of Crimea

Austin Kwoun

Supervisor: Zach Wehrwein

“One Swallow Does Not Make a Summer”: Building Stereotypes from Politics, Physicianship, and Press

Arianna Laufer

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I Am a Man: Refiguring Manhood and Standing in the Rhetoric and Imagery of the Civil Rights Movement

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Eurosceptics Among Europhiles: The Evolution of Polish Political Discourse on the Topic of Poland-EU Relations, 2005-2020

Nicholas Maxwell

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Holding Them Accountable: Judicial Practice in Ohio’s Drug Courts

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Building a Better Tomorrow? An Exploration of Jail Construction in Rural American Counties and Its Threat to a Decarcerating Nation

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Peter O’Keefe

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Cultivating Citizens: An Exploration of Democratic Learning at Massachusetts Boys and Girls Clubs

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Race and Care in “No Excuse” Charter Schools: A Study of Evolving Policies and Practices

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The Jail Health Care Crisis: Access to Medication for Opioid Use Disorder for Incarcerated Individuals

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Single (M)Otherhood, "It's Difficult, But I Can Do It:" Community-Building Practices for Single Mothers in Southeast Michigan

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