

January 25th - Panel 1: The Ecosystem of Action: It takes different approaches and tactics to build a successful movement--electing leaders, challenging institutions, building alternatives to the status quo--this panel discussion will feature activists from different realms holding a discussion on shared strategy, whether existing or hypothetical, and why they work in the realm they do.

February 1st - Workshop 1: Organizing 101 -- From Idea to Action:

Students will learn about the history of movements in our society, and what the role of an activist and/or an organizer is during a struggle for social change.

February 8th - Workshop 2: Identity & Intersectionality:

Students will explore their own identities, the ways they are both privileged and oppressed by them, and dive into the concept of intersectionality, identifying what shared goals might be in an intersectional, anti-racist struggle.

February 15th - Workshop 3: Sharing our Stories -- Speaking Your Truth & Amplifying Voices:

Students will use their lived experience to present a social justice issue as a personal story and practice better articulating it to one another and to the public, and also learn do's and don'ts for lifting up more marginalized voices from a position of relative privilege.

February 22nd - Workshop 4: Struggle Smarter -- Impediments to Change & Common Pitfalls:

Students will explore failure in social movements and projects and identify patterns within those failures, with the goal of building a smarter activist toolkit and more imaginative goals than we might be used to engaging.

March 1st - Panel 2: Imaginative Organizing: Beyond Survival (after workshops):

Many oppressed people operate in survival mode and in dire political times, our need to simply survive is underlined in painful ways. Much organizing and activism focuses on the need to survive within the world that exists, but this panel will focus on other possible worlds that we are motivated to build, grounding our plans for today in the architecture of a concrete, better world to come.