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Announcement: Fall Soiree highlights faculty and graduate research

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The department is launching a few new events this fall that we hope you'll join us for! The first is a Fall Soiree: today, on the fourth floor of Burdine from 4:00 – 6:30pm, **Dr. Shirley Thompson** and **Ph.D. candidate Elissa Underwood** will be giving short talks about their research, followed by discussion and food and drinks.

Shirley

Thompson: #BlackLivesMatter and My Year of Economic Thinking

During this past year, as a widespread, coordinated resistance to anti-Black state violence crystallized in various US locales and on social media, I was able to embark on a systematic study of economic theory and methods for my project on Black Americans and the problem of property and ownership. I will discuss the implications for my work of both this formal study and a newly invigorated insistence on the value of black life.

Elissa Underwood: Pop-Up Prison Kitchens: A Food-Based Challenge to the Prison Industrial Complex

I will be discussing non-traditional prison cookery and exploring its role as a counter-narrative to the personal and structural



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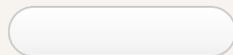
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