College Student Activism: Exploring Opportunities for Meaningful Engagement

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There has been a resurgence of activism, community engagement, and volunteerism among college students throughout the United States. In this micro-seminar, we will discuss the intersectionality of social justice issues focused on inclusion, equity, and diversity and the opportunities for college students such as yourself to be more understanding, thoughtful, expressive, and intentional about being an activist for causes that matter to you most. We will do this by examining campus activism from an interdisciplinary perspective, critically applying a variety of theoretical perspectives about the act of being involved in creative efforts that, both individually and collectively, challenge the status quo and foster positive change. The aim is to imagine what it means to be a college student activist at USC and within your own community.