Social Justice Fridays Syllabus
Banneker Institute – Summer 2018

Week 1
RACISM & WHITENESS
- *Race: The Power of an Illusion*, Parts 2 and 3
- “On Being White” (James Baldwin)

Week 2
CAPITALISM & INSTITUTIONALIZED RACISM
- *Capitalism & Slavery*, Chapter 1 (Eric Williams)
- “From the Achievement Gap to the Educational Debt: Understanding Achievement in US Schools” (Gloria Ladson-Billings)

Week 3
INSTITUTIONALIZED RACISM
*Student-led discussion; Revolutionary Women presentations.*
- *The New Jim Crow* (Michelle Alexander)
  Introduction & Chapter 1 (Chapter 2 is optional)

Week 4
SEXISM & FEMINISM
*Student-led discussion; Revolutionary Women presentations.*
- “Feminism: A Movement to End Sexist Oppression” (bell hooks)
- *Ain’t I Woman: Black Women and Feminism*, Chapter 1 (bell hooks)
- “In Pursuit of Latina Liberation” (Elizabeth Martinez)

Week 5
SEXISM & FEMINISM
*Student-led discussion; Revolutionary Women presentations.*
- “Why Immigration is a Feminist Issue” (Patricia Valoy)
- “Reflections on the Black Woman’s Role in the Community of Slaves” (Angela Davis)

Week 6
IMMIGRATION
*Student-led discussion; Revolutionary Women presentations.*
- *Undocumented*, Introduction (Aviva Chomsky)
Week 7

COLONIALISM & GLOBALIZATION

Student-led discussion; Revolutionary Women presentations.
- *Open Veins of Latin America*, (Eduardo Galeano)
  Introduction & Chapter 1 (pp. 11-15)
- “Colonialism bears bitter fruit in Puerto Rico” (W. T. Whitney, Jr.)
- “Puerto Rico: Disaster Colonialism Strikes Again” (Judith Mirkinson)

Week 8

GLOBALIZATION

Group activity.
- *Eyes of the Heart*, entire book (Jean-Bertrand Aristide)