Undergraduate Research Opportunity

PROJECT

Race Laws in Arizona: 1836 to Present

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This project is part of a larger grant-funded research project titled "Race Laws in the U.S. Southwest," and will proceed in coordination with other faculty and students at UT Austin, UC Irvine, and other universities and schools. Together, the team is building a comprehensive collection of race laws and city ordinances affecting Latinos/as/x and other racial and ethnic groups in the U.S. Southwest. Research findings will provide new relational understandings of race and discrimination in Latinos/as/x studies and U.S. history, and prompt more scholarship. Eventually, we hope our findings will be shared widely through various digital platforms, and be useful to journalists, lawyers, policy makers, and teachers. Chosen undergraduate research assistants will help me collect and compile such laws for the state of Arizona.

STUDENT

Research assistant's duties:
Students will work closely with faculty and the rest of the team to collect and compile relevant laws and city ordinances that affected Latinos/as/x and other racial and ethnic groups in Arizona. Conduct research in relevant legal databases, court filings and records, newspapers, and records of local grassroots and civil rights organizations. Meet regularly to review research process and progress, and help organize findings.

Required skills or qualifications:
Desired qualifications include Spanish-language skills.

Skills student will acquire:
Students will learn historical and legal research skills, organizational skills, collaborative research experiences.