The CSB/SJU HHMI Inclusive Excellence Grant team and the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) are hosting a book club to read and discuss Dr. Lorgia García Peña's new book, *Community as Rebellion: A Syllabus for Surviving Academia as a Woman of Color*.

- The book club will meet two times during the spring semester; and Dr. García Peña will join the book club virtually for their second meeting.

- The first 10 participants to sign up for the book group will receive a free copy of the book.

**BOOK DESCRIPTION:**

*Community as Rebellion* offers a meditation on creating liberatory spaces for students and faculty of color within academia. Through personal experiences and analytical reflections, García Peña invites us—in particular Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and Asian women—to engage in liberatory practices of boycott, abolition, and radical community-building to combat the academic world's tokenizing and exploitative structures.

She argues that the classroom is key to freedom-making in the university, urging teachers to consider activism and social justice as central to what she calls “teaching in freedom”: a progressive form of collective learning that prioritizes the subjugated knowledge, silenced histories, and epistemologies from the Global South and Indigenous, Black, and brown communities. By teaching in and for freedom, we not only acknowledge the harm that the university has inflicted on our persons and our ways of knowing since its inception, but also create alternative ways to be, create, live, and succeed through our work.

**SIGN UP:**

To sign up use the QR code or forms manager link below:

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