The Roots of Voter Suppression and Advances in Voter Turnout

The class is honored by a presentation by Hal Malchow, who has been a leading national political consultant for Democratic candidates since the late 1980’s. Mr. Malchow has worked for five Democratic presidential candidates and a number of progressive organizations including the Democratic National Committee, the AFL-CIO. Planned Parenthood, the Sierra Club and many other organizations and candidates. In 2016, he was inducted into the American Association of Political Consultants Hall of Fame primarily for his leadership in bring advanced data analytics and control group testing to American campaigns. Disappointed by trends in American campaigns, Hal left Washington two years ago to move to Santa Fe. He recently released his new book, 42 Million to One, a political thriller about voting machine manipulation.

Goal for Class
The goal of this class is to explain the demographic changes that are driving voter suppression strategies, the methodologies of suppression and advances in voter turnout tactics.

Questions for Discussion
After the presentation by Mr. Malchow, the class will be able to ask him questions.

Resources
• One Person, No Vote by Carol Anderson, Bloomsbury Publishing, 2018.

Resources Mentioned in 9/18/2020 class

• "Race, Trauma and the Doctrine of Discovery," Mark Charles, 1 hour video, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fYZ2rj2Jooc.