Required Readings

What follows is the assigned reading for the course. Books are marked * but are NOT on order from the UR Bookstore

Bayard Rustin. 1965.

Cooperative Thought & Practice in Black Political Economy (Three Institutional Alternatives)

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(i) Reparations

Michael Dawson and Rovana

DuBois Review 1:47-91.

Marist

http://maristpoll.marist.edu/510-reparations-for-slavery-in-the-united-

Grading: I do not care what grade you get in the course. By that I mean that while I would like you to do well, and hope that happens, whether you do so or not really depends on you. If you do the required work, it is extremely likely a good grade will follow; if not, it is almost certain that a good grade will not follow.

Once again - there is no party line in the course, meaning I do not care if you agree or disagree with me, with one another, or with any (or all?) of the readings. I care about your willingness to stick your neck out, to think critically, and to articulate and defend your views clearly both orally and in writing. So, whether or not you agree with the instructor has no bearing on your grade.

Writing assignment: The sole written assignment for the course is a final paper, focused on the work of some contemporary political association or thinker-activist and making explicit connections to the material we read and discuss in class. Here are some suggestions:

Week One

Feb 1 - Introduction Feb 3 - Gordon-Nembhard ((x2)

Week Two

Feb 8 - Jones, et. al.; Solnit Feb 10 - Rorty;