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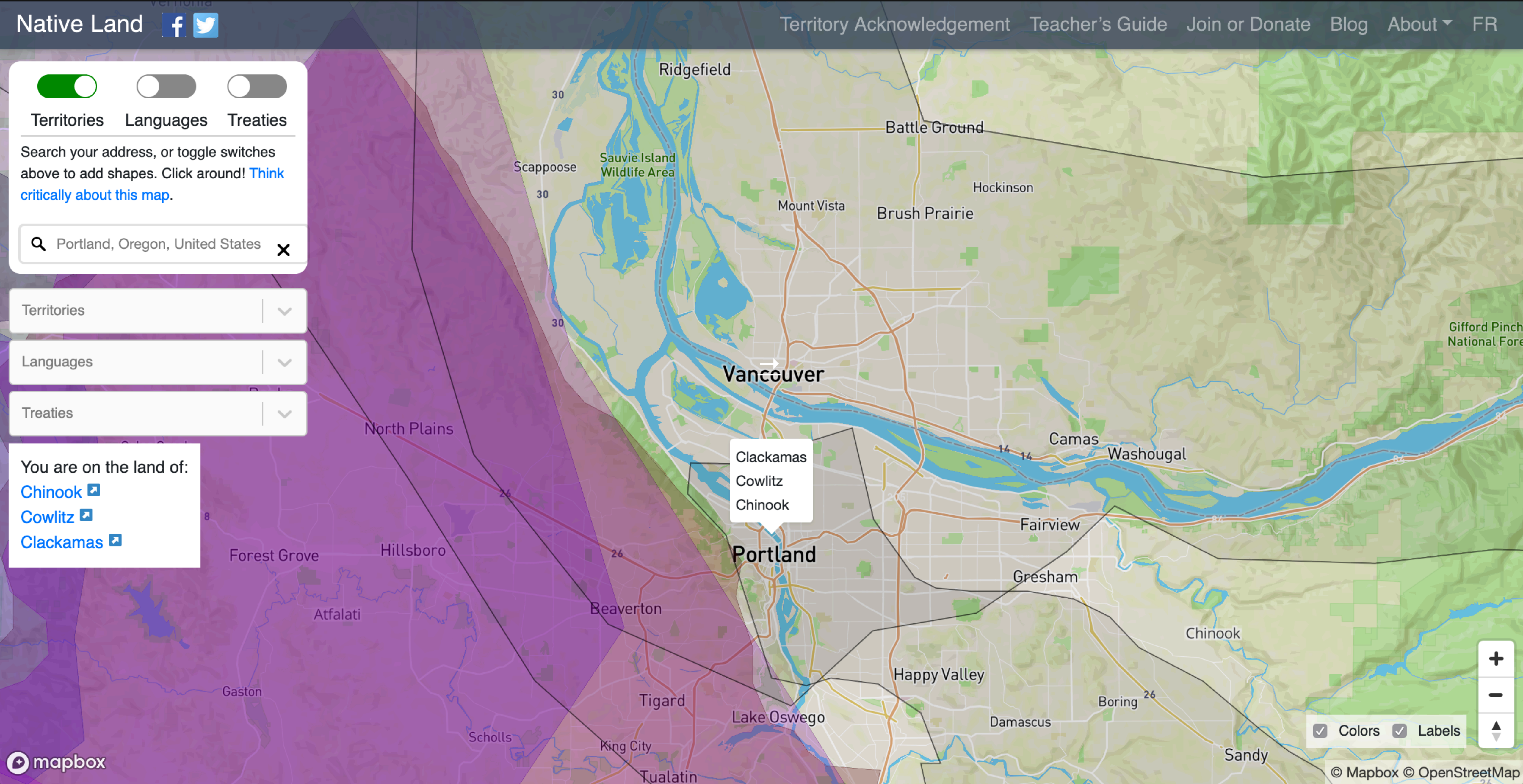
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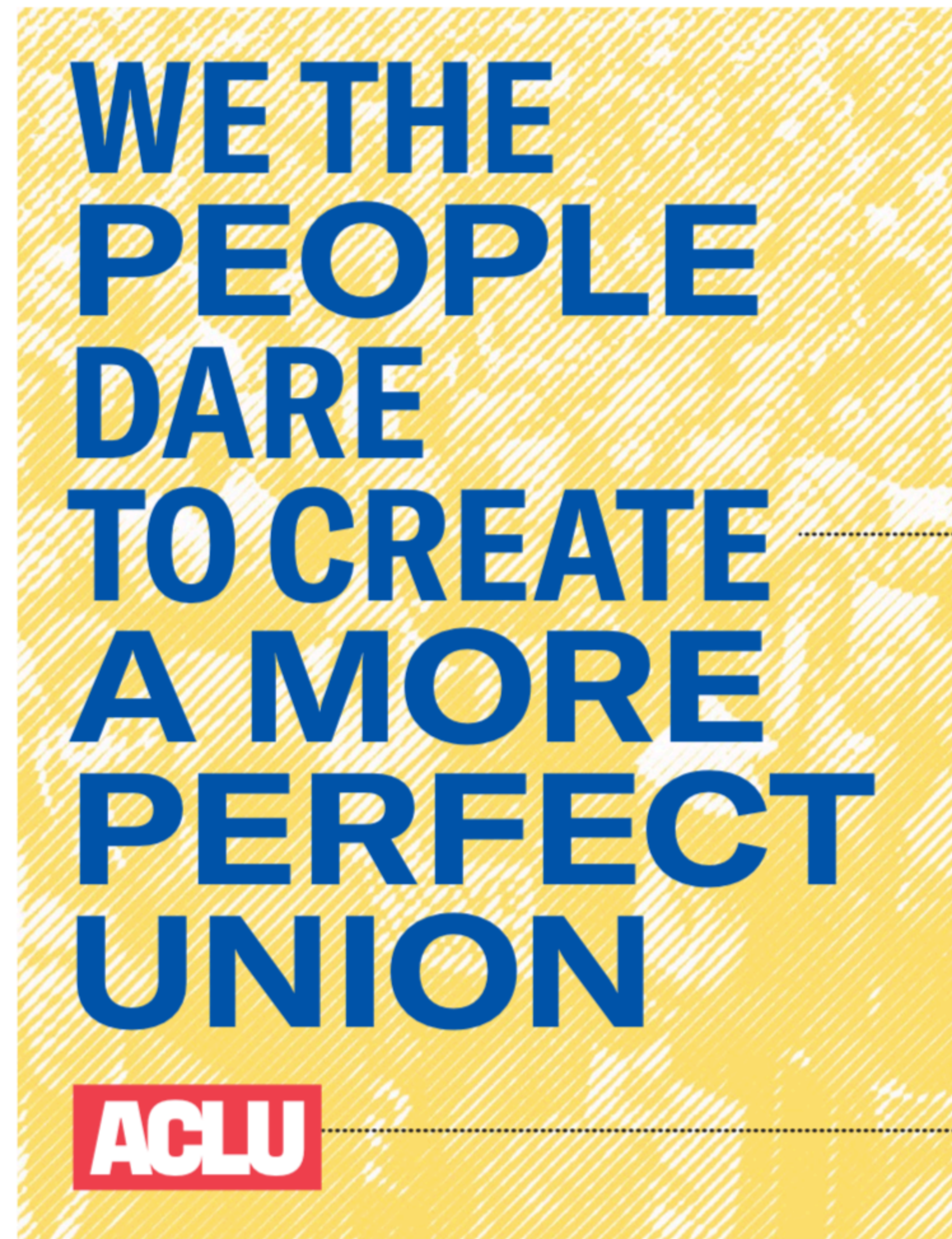


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Posters need to communicate our message and our brand clearly and from a distance.

Do the colors show who we are? p. 92

ACLU light yellow is energizing, and together with ACLU red and ACLU blue, it's patriotic but unexpected.

Do the images tell engaging stories? p. 134

This image is mostly for atmosphere. It adds texture without distraction.

Is the typography clear and confident? p. 108

This bold declaration is set in GT America.

Is the layout dynamic and multilayered? p. 154

The asymmetrical type, layered on a subtle modern engraving texture, makes for a poster that's both straightforward and nuanced.

Is our voice purposeful and consistent? p. 130

This is our tagline — completed by an inspiring statement.

Are we properly identified? p. 68

The box version of our red logo stands out clearly against the background.

Data & Social Justice

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Slides and links: <https://phiffer.org/csvconf>

README.md

Data & Social Justice

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Bennington College, Fall 2018

Course Number: DA 2135.01, 4 credits

Time: Monday/Wednesday 6:30-8:20pm

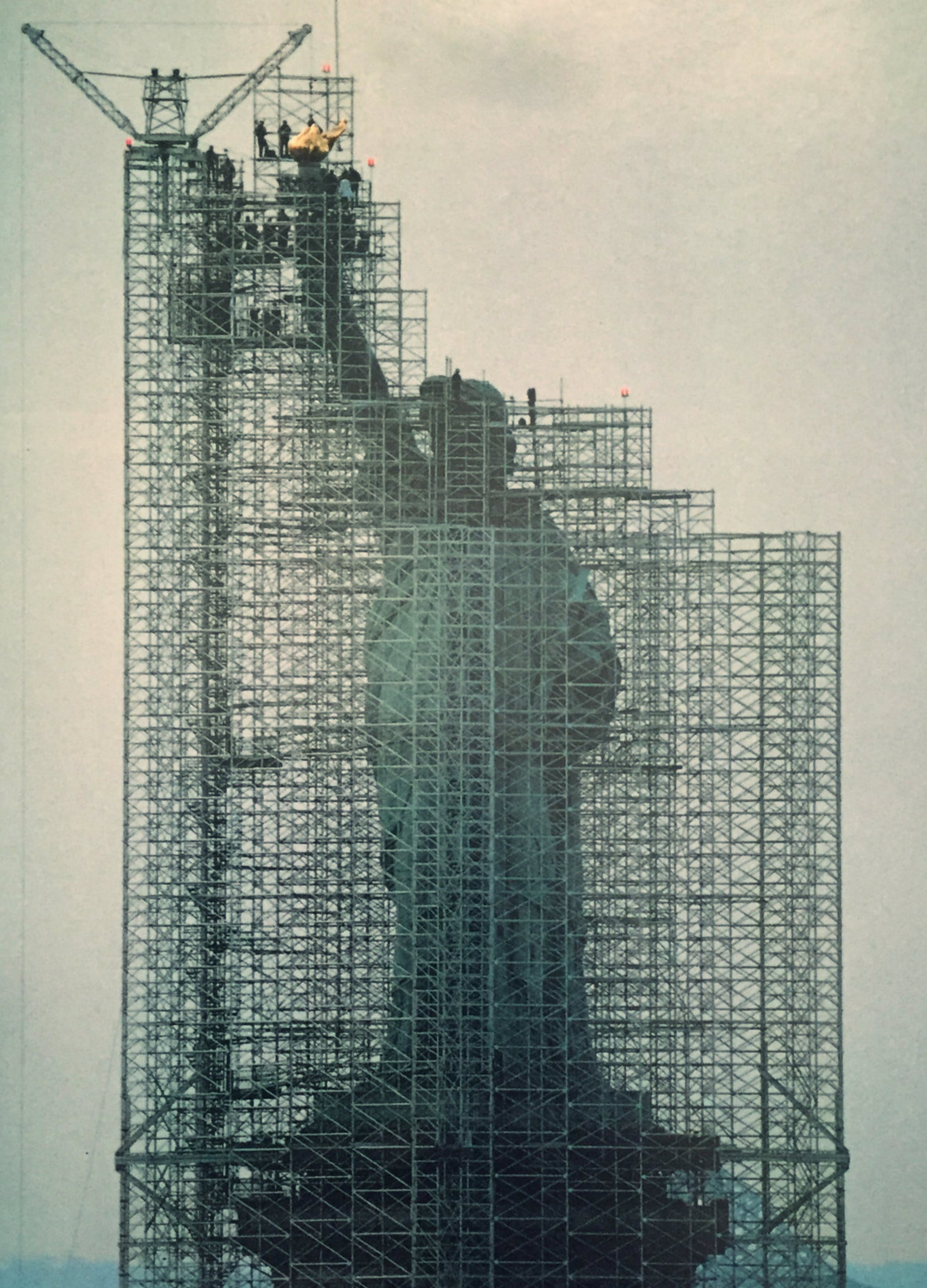
Office Hours: Wednesday 5:30-6:30pm

Course Description

Digital technologies have fundamentally shifted how social justice movements operate. "Organizing without organizations" and "laptop activism" are no longer novel or fringe activities. The social media tools we rely on to gather in public can also be antagonistic toward individual participants. This course explores the digital tools and data archives that inform modern political engagement. We will discuss existing precedents, prototype new software tools, and study our own social media archives to identify risks and possibilities.

Objectives

This class is about digital organizing and looking at how activism, politics, and society are being reformed by technology. You will learn how to make websites, how to work with data, how to organize a political campaign, and how to think about problems related to our technological society. Along the way we will consider how digital art practices inform these topics.



What new tools and strategies should exist for social justice organizing?

- Readings
- Digital organizing
- Metadata have politics
- [organizer.network](#)

Readings

Capta is “taken” actively while *data* is assumed to be a “given” able to be recorded and observed.

–Johanna Drucker, “Humanities Approaches to Graphical Display”

tara robertson

data driven feminist
storyteller, rogue librarian

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Not all information wants to be free

It was an honour to be invited to give the closing keynote at LITA Forum. I have never been asked to do a keynote, so I was equal



As we collect more data, we prioritize things that fit patterns of collection.

–Mimi Onuoha, “How We Became Machine Readable”

**WEAPONS OF
MATH DESTRUCTION**



HOW BIG DATA INCREASES INEQUALITY
AND THREATENS DEMOCRACY

CATHY O'NEIL



Bernard Parker, left, was rated high risk; Dylan Fugett was rated low risk. (Josh Ritchie for ProPublica)

Machine Bias

There's software used across the country to predict future criminals.
And it's biased against blacks.

by Julia Angwin, Jeff Larson, Surya Mattu and Lauren Kirchner, ProPublica

May 23, 2016



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From The Archive

Astra Taylor
No. 30 March 2016

Against Activism

ALMOST A DECADE AGO I attended a conference called “1968” at a nondescript college in New Jersey. Mark Rudd, a student radical turned community college math instructor living out his retirement in New Mexico, delivered the keynote. Taking the podium, he reflected

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dphiffer / data-and-social-justice


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Readings #3

Edit New issue

Open dphiffer opened this issue on Aug 14, 2018 · 49 comments

 dphiffer commented on Aug 14, 2018 Owner + 😊 ...
There are so many readings I should probably consider adding...

 dphiffer commented on Aug 14, 2018 Author Owner + 😊 ...
On ride sharing:
<https://www.metro.us/philadelphia/i-was-an-undercover-uber-driver/zsJoef---baC5PEdTQp5U>
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No one—assign yourself

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Notifications

Digital organizing

Topics

- Algorithmic bias
- Colonialism
- Criminal Justice Reform
- Education Funding
- Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
- Environmental Justice
- Gerrymandering
- Gun violence
- Immigrants' Rights
- Sexual Assault Support
- Student Health Insurance
- Transgender Rights

Tools

- Crowdfunding
- Cryptocurrency mining
- Data visualization
- Domain name registration
- Git + GitHub
- HTML + CSS
- Mailing lists
- GeoJSON + QGIS + Mapbox
- Paper flyers
- Radio call-in shows
- Social media
- Web surveys

Mother Jones

Journalism that doesn't back down

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POLITICS JANUARY 30, 2013

Why Mass Shootings Deserve Deeper Investigation

From Aurora to Newtown, 2012 was unprecedented for this kind of mass gun violence in America.



MARK FOLLMAN
 National Affairs Editor
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A Guide to Mass Shootings in America

There have been at least 110 in the past four decades—and most of the killers got their guns legally.

MARK FOLLMAN, GAVIN ARONSEN, AND DEANNA PAN UPDATED: FEB. 15, 2019, 11:00 P.M. PT



In July 2012, in the aftermath of the movie theater massacre in Aurora, Colorado, *Mother Jones* created a first-of-its-kind [open-source database documenting mass shootings](#) in the United States. Our research focused on indiscriminate rampages in public places resulting in four or more victims killed by the attacker. We exclude shootings stemming from more conventionally motivated crimes such as armed robbery or gang violence. Other news outlets and researchers have since published larger tallies that include a wide range of gun crimes in which four or more people have been either wounded or killed.

Mother Jones - Mass Shootings Database, 1982 - 2019
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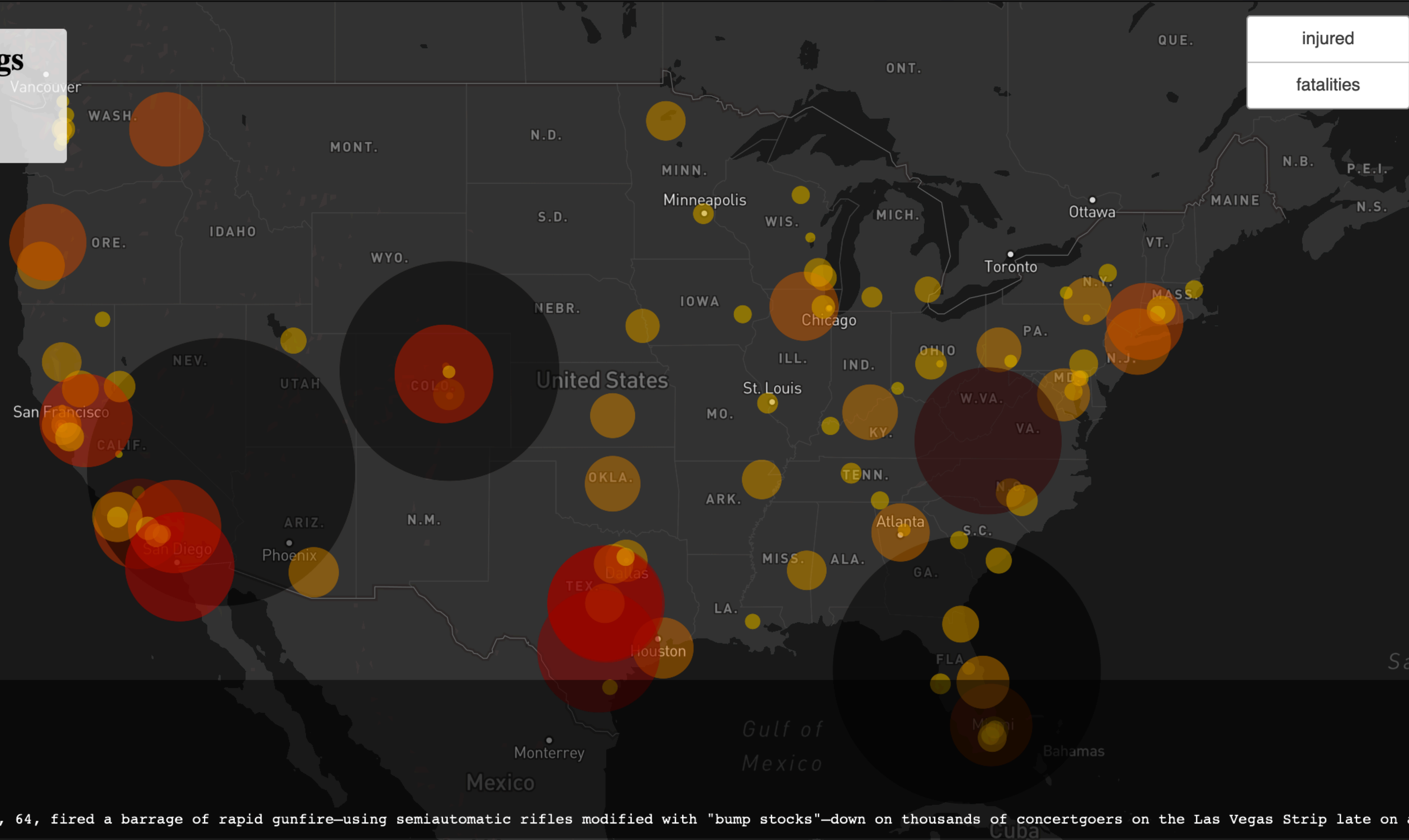
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1	case	location	date	summary	fatalities	injured	total_victims	location	age_of_s	prior_sig
2	Harry Pratt Co. warehouse shooting	Aurora, IL	2/15/19	Gary Martin, 45, went on a rampage inside the w	5	6	11	Workplace	45	Yes
3	Pennsylvania hotel bar shooting	State College, PA	1/24/19	Jordan Witmer, 21, shot three people at a Rama	3	1	4	Other	21	-
4	SunTrust bank shooting	Sebring, FL	1/23/19	Zephen A. Xaver, 21, fatally shot five women ins	5	0	5	Workplace	21	Yes
5	Mercy Hospital shooting	Chicago, IL	11/19/18	Juan Lopez, 32, confronted his former fiancé, EF	3	0	3	Workplace	32	-
6	Thousand Oaks nightclub shooting	Thousand Oaks, CA	11/7/18	Ian David Long, 28, dressed in black and armed	12	22	34	Other	28	Yes
7	Tree of Life synagogue shooting	Pittsburgh, PA	10/27/18	Robert D. Bowers, 46, shouted anti-Semitic slurs	11	6	17	Religious	46	-
8	Rite Aid warehouse shooting	Perryman, MD	9/20/18	Snochia Moseley, 26, reportedly a disgruntled er	3	3	6	Workplace	26	-
9	T&T Trucking shooting	Bakersfield, CA	9/12/18	Javier Casarez, 54, who was going through a bit	5	0	5	Workplace	54	-
10	Fifth Third Center shooting	Cincinnati, OH	9/6/18	Omar Enrique Santa Perez, 29, walked into the g	3	2	5	Workplace	29	Yes
11	Capital Gazette shooting	Annapolis, MD	6/28/18	Jarrod W. Ramos, 38, shot through the glass do	5	2	7	Workplace	38	-
12	Santa Fe High School shooting	Santa Fe, TX	5/18/18	Dimitrios Pagourtzis, a 17-year-old student, ope	10	13	23	School	17	-
13	Waffle House shooting	Nashville, TN	4/22/18	Travis Reinking, 29, opened fire around 3:30 a.m	4	4	8	Other	29	Yes
14	Yountville veterans home shooting	Yountville, CA	3/9/18	Army veteran Albert Cheung Wong, 36, stormed	3	0	3	Workplace	36	Yes
15	Marjory Stoneman Douglas High Schoo	Parkland, FL	2/14/18	Nikolas J. Cruz, 19, heavily armed with an AR-1	17	17	34	School	19	Yes
16	Pennsylvania carwash shooting	Melcroft, PA	1/28/18	Timothy O'Brien Smith, 28, wearing body armor	4	1	5	Other	28	TBD
17	Rancho Tehama shooting spree	Rancho Tehama, CA	11/14/17	Kevin Janson Neal, 44, went on an approximate	5	10	15	Other	44	TBD
18	Texas First Baptist Church massacre	Sutherland Springs, TX	11/5/17	Devin Patrick Kelley, a 26-year-old ex-US Air Fo	26	20	46	Religious	26	Yes
19	Walmart shooting in suburban Denver	Thornton, CO	11/1/17	Scott Allen Ostrem, 47, walked into a Walmart in	3	0	3	Other	47	Unclear
20	Edgewood busines park shooting	Edgewood, MD	10/18/17	Radee Labeeb Prince, 37, fatally shot three peo	3	3	6	Workplace	37	Unclear
21										

U.S. Mass Shootings
Hover for information.
[Data Source](#)

injured
fatalities



Case: Las Vegas Strip massacre
Date: 10/1/17
Fatalities: 58
Injuries: 546
Total Victims: 604

Summary: Stephen Craig Paddock, 64, fired a barrage of rapid gunfire—using semiautomatic rifles modified with "bump stocks"—down on thousands of concertgoers on the Las Vegas Strip late on a



GUN VIOLENCE IN AMERICA
WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT IT

Inspired by recent events where individuals around the nation have been victimized, traumatized, and affected by gun violence, it is time we come together as a community and have a conversation.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19th
8:30pm, DOWNCAF

Join your fellow peers, faculty, and special guests **Clai**, Director of GunsenseVT and **Emma**, Youth Head of GunsenseVT



Let's talk about loss. Let's talk about grief. Let's talk about how you feel. Let's talk about your anger, your sadness, your confusion. Let's talk about the 2nd Amendment. Let's talk about legislation. Let's talk about anything and everything. Together.



Followed by a candlelight vigil on the Common Lawn in honor of victims of gun violence

Type your answer here...

3 → How do you feel Bennington College should respond to Betsy de Vos' recommendations?

Type your answer here...

4 → Would you be willing to participate in a restorative justice alternative?



Join the Race to Winterize the Pine Ridge Reservation

Lend Your Helping Hand

press ENTER

Metadata have politics



ROOM

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JOHN SMITH



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+ Faculty And Students

Student ID	Prefix	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Former Name	Email	Street
		Anna					
		Dan					
		Camille					
		Mariana					
		Cassidy					
		Matthew					
		Ernesto					
		Corbin					
		Teresa					
		Colin					
		Sophie					
		Julian					
		Max					
		Kendra					
		Paulina					
		Lushik					

First Name is not simple

- Legal name: how the government knows you
- Nickname: a substitute for the proper name of a familiar person
- Preferred name: the name you wish to be called
- Referring to a transgender person by their legal, instead of their preferred name, denies them dignity and violates their privacy

College Management **Made Simple**

Running a school is complicated enough without having to manage a dozen software platforms.

That's why we made Populi.

Your software shopping list

- Student Information System
- Online Admissions System
- Student Life
- Integrated Library System
- School Bookstore
- Tuition Management System
- Financial Aid
- Donor Management
- Learning Management System
- Student Billing

Sure, you could get a bunch of separate systems to meet your software needs, and then hire a team of IT people to get them all to work together.

Or you could just get...



Populi has everything you need to

Three requests

1. Student roster export data should include preferred names
2. Treat legal names with the same privacy as Social Security Numbers
3. Publicly announce the change, implement it across all schools

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+ Faculty And Students

Student ID	Prefix	First Name	Preferred Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Former Name	Email	Street
		Anna						
		Dan						
		Camille						
		Mariana						
		Cassidy						
		Matthew	Matt					
		Ernesto						
		Corbin						
		Teresa						
		Colin						
		Sophie						
		Julian						
			Toby					
		Max						
		Kendra						
		Paulina						
		Lushik						

“ Even though all offices have access to the lists of preferred names, some fail to reference the list when writing names - for example, on mailboxes or in official emails.

We would like the college to make it official policy to use preferred names whenever possible (exempting billing and other documents that require legal names).

Additionally, we want the college to educate all administrators on the importance of using preferred names.

Continue press ENTER

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Groups

Discover

Your Groups

- Power Breakfast Club
- Cool Freaks' Wikipe...
- Pantsuit Nation
- P2P
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- this interface interferes
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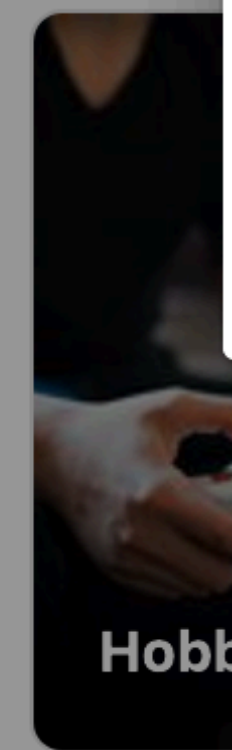
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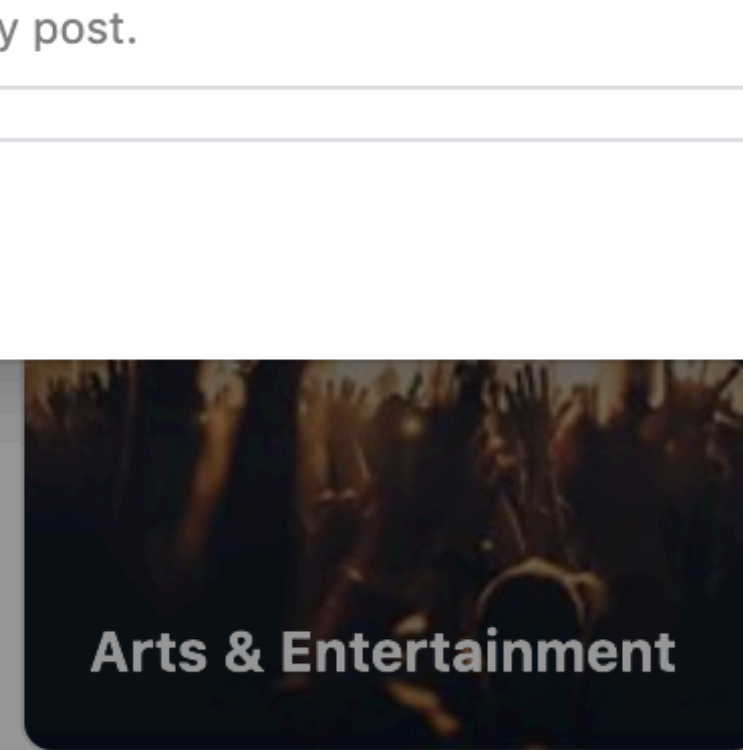
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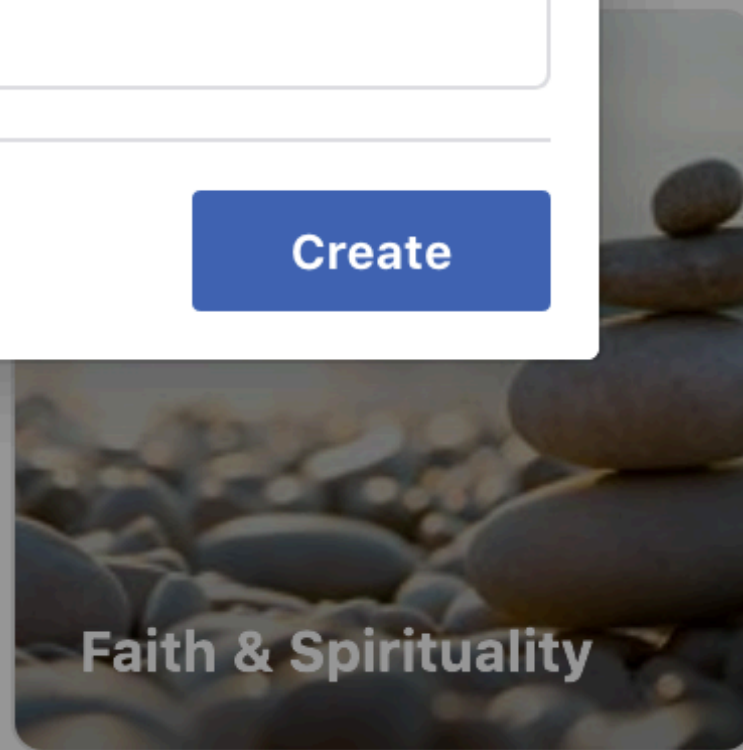
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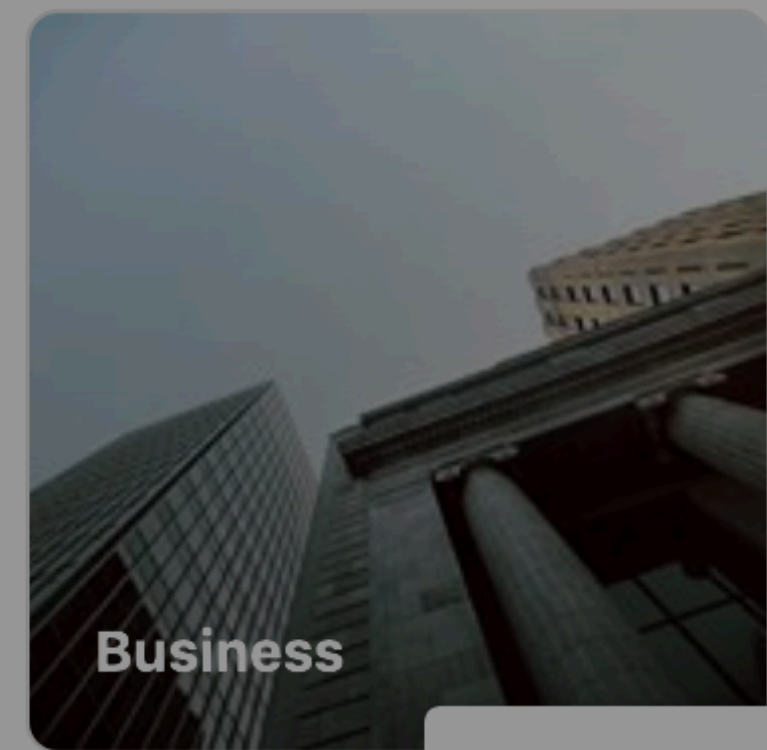
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Arts & Entertainment



Faith & Spirituality



Business

Create New Group

Groups are great for getting things done and staying in touch with just the people you want. Share photos and videos, have conversations, make plans and more.

Name your group

Add some people

Enter names or email addresses...

Select privacy [Learn more about groups privacy](#)

Closed
Anyone can find the group and see who runs it. Only members can see who's in it and what they post.

Pin to Shortcuts

Create

See All



New Urbanist Memes for Transit-Oriented Teens

145K Members • 10+ posts a day

Join

Select privacy

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Closed Group

Anyone can find the group. Only members can see who's in it and what they post.



Public Group

Anyone can find the group, see who's in it and what they post.



Closed Group

Anyone can find the group. Only members can see who's in it and what they post.



Secret Group

Only members can find the group, see who's in it and what they post.

Create a new group

Name

csv, conf, dsj

Topic

Data & Social Justice at csv, conf, v4.

Create as a subgroup of

(no parent group)

Group URL

https://organizer.network/group/ csvconfdsj

CREATE GROUP →

CANCEL

Privacy settings

- All groups are private.
- All members must be invited.
- Groups are not listed anywhere.
- Content is only visible to members.
- Subgroups can be discovered and joined by members of their parent group.

Julian Oct 31, 2018

PSA TOBY LIKES PYTHON WTF

2 replies

Matt Oct 31, 2018

@Colin Bones

0 replies

Toby Oct 31, 2018

Paulina Coward hates Python. Callout post.

0 replies

Toby Oct 31, 2018

Alexa how to hack professors website post tweet

0 replies

Toby Oct 31, 2018

@dan implement block feature??????????

1 reply

Julian Dec 8, 2018

Hi Toby,

I'm looking into delegating ownership of trans.bennington.education to you! Does that domain suit your project? Will you want to piggy back on my hosting package or use your own?

2 replies

Toby Nov 25, 2018

OR, I work on my senior work, which is a site compiling books for readers under 13 that feature prominent trans/gender non conforming characters. This isn't about trans stuff at Bennington specifically, BUT it'd be useful!

0 replies

Toby Nov 25, 2018

Final project idea -> site compiling resources for trans bton students! things like pronoun change form, how to get hormones from the health center, how to contact IT about your email/id, etc. also containing general resources for trans students - templates for emailing professors about pronouns, ways to find support, etc.

Settings

Notifications: **receive emails**

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csv,conf,dsj

Data & Social Justice at csv,conf,v4.

[Edit topic](#)

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The idea with organizer.network is to make it really easy for
people to set up new web-based mailing lists. |
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⌘ + enter to send message

SEND MESSAGE →

Nobody has sent messages here yet.

END OF MESSAGES

Members

[Dan Phiffer](#)

Invite link

Share this link to invite others to join the group.

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https://organizer.network/joi
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Settings

Notifications: **receive emails**

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Connect Bennington

Online platform for Bennington students. Not facebook.

1 Login by email

Email address

START →

2 Setup your profile

3 Organize and raise hell!

About Connect Bennington

Please note: this is Beta software and data is unprotected.

Invite to csv,conf,dsj group

<https://organizer.network/join/pfwt5e>

Data & Social Justice

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Slides and links: <https://phiffer.org/csvconf>

Discussion group: <https://organizer.network/join/pfwt5e>