The Behner Stiefel Center for Brazilian Studies and the College of Education present

The Paulo Freire Lecture on Education and Social Transformation

Affirmative Action in Brazil: Challenges, Lessons, Achievements

a lecture by George Oliveira

George Oliveira was born and raised in the city of Salvador, Bahia. He is the director of the Instituto Steve Biko and an author of anti-racists texts for the web and blogs, where he expresses and shares his fears, discoveries, anxieties, and aspirations. His first book, *Denegrir: Educação e relações raciais*, is coming out in 2021. Oliveira is an activist in the Black movement, a doctoral candidate in Education at Federal University of Bahia (UFBA) and holds a masters in Development and Social Management from UFBA, where he created the Game of Imbundeiro, an organizational game that problematizes organizational learning using African and Afro-Brazilian values. Oliveira’s doctoral research focuses on racism and anti-racism in Brazilian football.

Monday, December 6, 2021
12:00 p.m. (Pacific)

Event will be in Portuguese with simultaneous interpreting in English
Zoom ID: 834 4814 0607
The works of Brazilian educator and philosopher Paulo Freire (Recife, 1921–1997) have had significant world impact in education, community development, and even community health. As a critical scholar-activist deeply committed to the work of humanization through conscientização — the development of a critical consciousness — Freire not only decried the role educational institutions often play in reproducing inequalities, but emphasized how education could instead be a tool of liberation.

Freire’s international influence grew after the publication of his seminal text, Pedagogy of the Oppressed (1970), an educational manifesto translated into more than seventeen languages. Other influential titles in his oeuvre comprise: Education for Critical Consciousness (1973); Education, the Practice of Freedom (1976); Pedagogy of the City (1993); Pedagogy of Hope (1994); Pedagogy of the Heart (1997); Pedagogy of Freedom (1997), and Teachers as Cultural Workers (1998).

In honor of this timeless educational scholar-activist, the College of Education and the Behner Stiefel Center for Brazilian Studies at San Diego State University have partnered to create The Paulo Freire Lecture on Education and Social Transformation, a bi-annual lecture featuring national and international scholars and community-activists whose critical scholarship and/or advocacy promote educational and social transformation.

It is a great honor to cordially invite the SDSU and the greater national and international educational communities to our second lecture — “Affirmative Action in Brazil: Challenges, Lessons, Achievements” — to be delivered by George Oliveira, director of the Instituto Steve Biko in Salvador, Bahia on December 6, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (Pacific Time). Oliveira is the author of several essays on anti-racism and the book, Denegrir: Educação e relações raciais (forthcoming 2021).

Please see the flyer for event details. We look forward to your participation!