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## medical humanities & social medicine 2020-21

### **Viral Justice: Pandemics, Policing, and Public Bioethics**

Ruha Benjamin

*Friday, Oct 30, 2020 from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM*

*Co-Sponsored by the Berman Institute of Bioethics & Department of Sociology*

### **Epidemic Narratives: Data, Visualization, and the Mediation of Care**

Kirsten Ostherr and Kim Gallon

*Friday, Nov 13, 2020 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

*Co-Sponsored with the Sawyer Seminar on Precision and Uncertainty in a World of Data*

### **International Order, Organizations, and Cooperation in the 2020's**

Christy Thornton and Nitsan Chorev

*Friday, Dec 4, 2020 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

### **Policing, Incarceration, and Health**

Vesla Weaver and Carolyn Sufrin

*Friday, Jan 15, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

### **Health Disparities and Structural Racism**

Claire Decoteau and Lisa Cooper

*Friday, February 26, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

### **Public Health and the State**

Lawrence Brown and Graham Mooney

*Friday, March 12, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

### **Global Health, Justice, & Activism**

Gregg Gonsalves and Alexandre White

*Friday, April 9, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

### **Bioethics: Reckoning with Structures**

Robbie Shilliam and Jeffrey Kahn

*Friday, May 21, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

### **Health and Environmental Change**

Tom Özden-Schilling & TBD

*Friday, June TBD from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM*

Image: [demographics.coopercenter.org](https://demographics.coopercenter.org)

The COVID-19 epidemic has starkly illuminated a series of structural forces in health and society that produce endemic disparities. As a result, older questions of inequalities, social relations, and political and economic ideology are now occurring in direct conversation with current issues associated with health and health care systems. The Center for Medical Humanities and Social Medicine at Johns Hopkins seeks to use this moment to bring scholars together for a yearlong discussion on the role of the COVID-19 epidemic in raising questions of wider importance to the social sciences and the humanities, and vice versa.

