

## SCRIPT

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You may be wondering: does SCAE cover my interests? The great thing about the our program is that you have the opportunity to explore what interests you most in connection with course themes. This video will cover the kinds of topics we examine in SCAE courses—both as a collective and individually.

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The SCAE program is designed to explore social and educational justice through studying how factors such as race, class, geographic location, and immigration status play out in various educational contexts locally and globally.

There are several core texts we use in the program, including Paulo Freire's *Pedagogy of the Oppressed* and *Teaching to Transgress* by bell hooks. Students taking courses in Urban Contexts may read books such as *Ain't No Makin' It* by Jay MacLeod or Massey and Denton's *American Apartheid*. When taking courses in International Contexts, students will find their readings offer an in-depth look at globalization and educational policies and issues from around the world.

In addition to books, professors and students select academic journals and alternative texts to enhance course understandings. Topics explored in our readings include critical pedagogies, critical race theory, feminisms, globalization, social reproduction, the opportunity gap, educational policy, and much much more...

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Course texts are central to many classroom discussions; however, students have opportunities throughout the program to choose readings and projects related to more individualized interests. Additionally, students have multiple opportunities to facilitate class sessions. In these cases, students choose the readings for the class and organize class activities to analyze the themes of the selected readings. There is a great combination of structure and flexibility in the SCAE program!

Here's just a sampling of topics students have chosen to explore through their work.  
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As you can see, although there are core readings that are central to conversations throughout the program, you'll have the opportunity to investigate independent topics of study. By sharing individual projects in small groups and class facilitations, you'll be able to explore your interests with other students in the program and learn about theirs.

