

University Sin Fronteras

a university without walls and without borders

Freedom Summer Semester 2013

Freedom Summer is part of a broad based social movement in the U.S. South, reGenerating the historical struggle (Black Liberation) for emancipation and ultimately complete liberation, in the present 21st Century. The Southern Movements Assembly (SMA) is launching a SOUTH FREEDOM summer involving hundreds of youth.

University Sin Fronteras will be offering a 4 week Freedom summer semester in Atlanta, San Juan, San Antonio and Detroit in the time frame from June to August 2013.

The courses will focus on four main questions (but not limited to)...

- 1. What are the Roots of Racism?
- 2. What is the Southern Freedom Movement in the 21st Century?
- 3. How to decolonize the globalized economy
- 4. (How to) Build, hold, defend and advance OUR (community based) POWER?

Note: each campus follows a different calendar as far as the schedule of classes (times and dates).

Post-note: some long distance connections **might** be available for student participants not physically near a campus.

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BACKGROUND:

University Sin Fronteras started in 2010, out of a series of 'round table talks' or tertulias held in Puerto Rico at Centro de Estudios Avanzados de PR y Caribe (CEA), and in 2011 UNSIF was formally established at its founding board meeting held at Espacio Arana in Calle San Jose in Viejo San Juan. The Vision and Mission were developed at this first meeting. The second board meeting of UNSIF held in the same local, designed the core curriculum and the pedagogy and methodology.

In Atlanta, Project South implemented the first ever semester of University Sin Fronteras with 21 student participants, Liberation Summer Semester, it was called. It was very successful because it proved out the pedagogy and methodology.

The second generation Board of Directors of UNSIF met in Atlanta in February 2013, now the flagship campus, and designed the next plan of action for 2013-14 focused on the organizing, establishment and work of each campus, of the four present campuses.

Atlanta San Juan San Antonio Detroit

Vision & Mission:

Knowledge is not the privilege nor domain of the powerful few but a right of all people. We envision education as a vehicle for social movement development, rather than a commodity to be bought, sold, or corrupted. People construct and carry knowledge in multiple ways. Emancipatory education is informed by the wisdom of our communities to which we are accountable and ensures continuity of histories, cultural traditions and legacies.

In order to achieve social and political impact for systemic change, our education systems will collectively create a cohesive analysis of the past, present, and future in order to direct and solidify social movement development. We envision education as a collective leadership development process between and among generations.

OUTCOMES 2012-13

2012

Liberation Summer 2012 in Atlanta Campus	(21 student
participants)	
Liberation Summer 2012 seminar in San Antonio	(15 participants)

Emancipation Autumn in Atlanta	(18 students)
Emancipation Autumn in San Juan	(12 student
participants)	

2013

Liberation Spring Semester 2013

ATL Campus	(25 student participants)
SAT Campus	(18 student-participants)
DET Campus	(18 student-participants)

Freedom Summer Semester 2013

ATL Campus (est 20 student

participants)

SAT Campus (est 20 student-

participants)

DET Campus (est 20 student-

participants)

SJU Campus (est 20 student-

participants)

LIBERATION=DECOLONIZE!

The only university without walls by and for grassroots social movements for systemic social change with an emancipatory education curriculum based on liberation...

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