Welcome back to another lovely semester! This month’s newsletter provides opportunities for symposiums and publications, as well as keeping you up-to-date on HSOC-related news.

Additionally, please fill out this form to provide feedback on how we can improve the HSOC website!

Have any questions or want to share something in next month’s Issue? Email: pennhsocsab@gmail.com
EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

AVASCENT SPRING RECRUITING

Deadline - March 4

This consulting company is looking to hire current Juniors and Seniors for its internship and full-time Analyst positions. They will be hosting Info sessions at the Spring Career fair on February 11.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

https://jobs.lever.co/avascent/

HEALTH LAW AND ANTI-RACISM: RECKONING AND RESPONSE

March 30 @ 12:30

This symposium will unveil a special issue of the Journal of Law, Medicine, and Ethics devoted to Health Law and Anti-Racism, with panel discussions on health law and policing, industry and the environment, health care and research, and anti-racist teaching and practice.

Submit Papers to Prominent Journal

Deadline - Feb 11

The Columbia University Journal of Politics and Society is seeking original, creative, and rigorous articles in the fields of political science, economics, sociology, history, psychology, linguistics, law, anthropology, criminology, cultural and area studies, development studies, and demography. (~20-25 pages)

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**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

**KRISTEN SMITH**

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"I CHOSE HSOC BECAUSE I LOVED THE IDEA OF STUDYING SOMETHING SO INTEGRAL TO ALL OF OUR LIVES, SUCH AS HEALTH, FROM MULTIPLE ANGLES -- ANTHROPOLOGICAL, SOCIOLOGICAL, AND HISTORICAL. NOW, MORE THAN EVER, THE INFORMATION WE LEARN IN HSOC COURSES IS ESPECIALLY RELEVANT, BUT EVEN BEFORE THE PANDEMIC, I WAS MOST EXCITED ABOUT BEING ON THIS "HUMANITIES SIDE" OF HEALTH, SCIENCE, AND MEDICINE AND LEARNING ABOUT HOW WE GOT TO THIS POINT AND WHERE TO GO FROM HERE IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE PERVERSIVE HEALTH DISPARITIES HAPPENING ALL AROUND US."

KRISTEN RECENTLY COMPLETED HER SENIOR HONORS THESIS TITLED "UNPACKING 'THE AMERICAN:' OPPOSING NEOLIBERAL AND CONSUMERIST IDEOLOGIES IN CHARACTERIZATIONS OF THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION'S HEALTH SECURITY ACT (1993-1994)" IN WHICH SHE DISCUSSED THE RESPONSES OF MEMBERS OF BLACK-SERVING/AIDS ACTIVIST ORGANIZATIONS IN REGARDS TO THIS PIECE OF PROPOSED POLICY... AND USED THESE RESPONSES TO MAKE A BROADER CLAIM REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF "THE AMERICAN" AND HOW RESPONSES FROM THESE GROUPS PUSHED BACK AGAINST MAINSTREAM CHARACTERIZATIONS OF THE ACT.

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IN THE NEWS...

SOCIAL SECURITY OPENS TO SURVIVORS OF SAME-SEX COUPLES WHO COULD NOT MARRY

Paula Span

Social security benefits intended for widows and widowers have been rectified for previously excluded same-sex relationships


THE NURSING HOME STAFFING CRISIS RIGHT NOW IS LIKE NOTHING WE'VE SEEN BEFORE

Rhitu Chatterjee

Nursing home staff members call out sick with COVID, leaving residents in need of care

[https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2022/01/20/1074493907/the-nursing-home-staffing-crisis-right-now-is-like-nothing-weve-seen-before](https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2022/01/20/1074493907/the-nursing-home-staffing-crisis-right-now-is-like-nothing-weve-seen-before)

THREE ETHICAL ISSUES AROUND PIG HEART TRANSPLANTS

Jack Hunter

Examining a recent groundbreaking heart transplant, BBC explores the ethical implications of such procedures