Statement of Solidarity

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The Department of History is committed to providing accommodations, especially to Black graduate and undergraduate students as well as other students directly impacted by the racialized crises of our current moment. Following on College of Arts & Sciences Dean Bob Stacey’s recommendations (6/7/20), we also urge other units to design meaningful and effective provisions to support the most affected students during this time of emergency.

Today, so many people in our nation are courageously and peacefully standing against white supremacy and white violence. At the same time, this is a time of grief and of horror at the murders of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, and Breonna Taylor and at the murders of the many other Black Americans who have died unjustly at the hands of police and white supremacists. It is a time of uncertainty, and of fear, as some governmental authorities react to peaceful protest with more violence.

The Department of History Diversity Committee strongly supports the Black Lives Matter movement. We join in solidarity with the UW Black Student Union and other UW groups mobilizing to end structural racism.

Sincerely,

History Diversity Committee

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