Stories In The Data

Critically Analyzing Police Reports

UCSD police call log data is publicly available, and we can use it to understand what police do on campus. This data, however, is also shaped by how the police write, and by how the police categorize people, places, and encounters. **In this workshop, we will use police archives, data, and reports to critically analyze police activity, both throughout US history and at UCSD today.** We will learn practical skills for finding and analyzing call log data to learn more about policing on campus. We will discuss how policing actively constructs categories that reinforce racialized inequality and violence, and we will learn how to work ethically and effectively with data that relies on these categories.

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What kinds of stories do police reports try to tell?

How do we use this data to tell different stories?

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1:30-2:50pm on Wednesday May 19th
at Abolition Square (Social Science Building Courtyard)
and on Zoom. Register at bit.ly/3tM1AHK.