

# CLAS participating in #ShutDownAcademia #ShutDownSTEM today, June 10th

CLAS is joining with our UMD Libraries colleagues and others across the University of Maryland, College Park campus in [a movement to #ShutDownAcademia and #ShutDownSTEM today, June 10th](#).

Today, we will replace our "business as usual" activities with dedicated time for reflection, education, and taking, or planning, action to combat racism.

This means that, for today, we will forego our work on service requests, projects, meetings, and other "normal" activities. Rest assured, we will return tomorrow more emboldened to pursue our craft with fresh perspectives and ideas.

In the coming weeks, CLAS will discuss how, as professionals and a team, we can combat racism. If you have thoughts or ideas about ways in which we might do this, I would love to hear them.