Marginalized populations tend to be viewed as objects of social policy, passive victims, or a cause of social problems. Policy and research - typically driven by mainstream or dominant narratives and actors - often lead to misunderstandings, paternalism, unintended consequences, ineffective policy, or harm. In this course, we will learn about community-engaged research methodologies such as participatory action research (PAR) and community-based participatory research (CPBR). These methods flip the paternalist script, giving marginalized community members a seat at the table. Students will work together on real-world research and policy challenges to gain practical skills and contribute to the field in real time.