

National SDS has set aside the days April 20-30 for educational and action programs on American imperialism. The Stanford chapter of SDS will be sponsoring a series of teach-ins and direct actions relevant to imperialism.

These are the proposed subjects for the teach-ins:

1. Imperialism and the draft
2. Why and how the war in Vietnam is imperialistic.
3. Foreign students from Stanford describe America's role in their countries.
4. Stanford University and Imperialism
 - a. The Business School in Peru
 - b. The Engineering department and the military
 - c. Hoover Institute
 - d. Stanford Research Institute in Thailand and everywhere else
 - e. The Social Sciences and Defense Department studies
5. The dynamics of imperialism: economic, political, and military rationales
6. Imperialism and racism
7. Can democracy exist in an imperialistic society
8. What, presuming we don't like it, can we do about imperialism.

Many of the above topics will interlock, and some themes will recur in all of them, like the strategy and tactics of genocide, university complicity (willing and unwilling), and the use of conscription to further an imperialist military policy. At least two of these themes, the draft and university complicity, can be the sources of actions, having as strong intellectual grounds as moral grounds.

These proposals were made for actions:

1. Demonstration at draft boards and the Oakland Induction Center
2. Demands for non-complicity by the university in imperialist policies
3. A demonstration or witness at the Placement Office to bring it home to students that they are not immune from being co-opted by imperialism through corporations involved in making products to service imperialist policies.
4. Some sort of benefit social event--possibly a Bail Fund Ball-- to cover printing, speaker, and possibly legal fees.
5. Forming study and work groups to do basic research, publicity, and other less dramatic things. These groups would hopefully continue as study and action groups after April, and they could also function as monitor groups in Oakland-ish events.

The last proposal can be read as an attempt by SDS to try to take over leadership positions in the movement. Nope. Small groups work well both in research activity and in protecting their members from rioting and disruptive police. We suggest that the work of April can be best done this way, and we ask your help in making April 20-30 a deserved success.

Notes: Anyone finding anything additions or controversial in the above proposals for April 20-30 has no business reading it and should do the honorable thing and turn himself in to the nearest radical.