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The forum, set for 7 p.m. at Dina's Place in the DiGiorgio Campus Center, is titled "Justice or the Lack Thereof."

Student Government Vice Chair Jarvais Jackson said the forum is held in response to the nationwide discussion of police killing of unarmed African-American men. Cases in Ferguson, Missouri, and New York City particularly captured public attention in the past few months as grand juries declined to set charges again the police officers.



ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA – Winthrop University's Council of Student Leaders will hold a Feb. 2 forum to help students navigate police stops and the justice system.

The forum, set for 7 p.m. at Dina's Place in the DiGiorgio Campus Center, is titled "Justice or the Lack Thereof." Moderating the event will be Jennifer Disney, professor and chair of the Department of Political Science.

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"We hope that holding this forum will help students better understand the workings of law enforcement and the judicial system," Jackson said. "We want to advise students what to do if they find themselves in a tense situation."

Appearing on a panel to offer suggestions will be:

- * S.C. Rep. Tommy Pope, R-Clover, a former York County solicitor.
- * York County Public Defender Harry Dest
- * Bishop Herbert Crump of Freedom Temple Ministries in Rock Hill
- * Chester County Sheriff Alex Underwood

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