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SEUSS Conference

February 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> I was able to attend the Southeastern Undergraduate Sociology Symposium with the theme Social Justice and the Sociological Imagination. The keynote speaker the first night, Dr. Marisela Martinez-Cola, was very inspiring when she discussed transitioning from being an attorney to going back to school to get her Ph.D. in Sociology because she felt that was her calling. The next day I presented, “Grass Roots Organizing and Colorblind Ideology in Association with the Maintenance of White Womanhood”. My presentation focused on the use of Colorblind-Ideology by white female public education activists and how that is problematic in the fight for equitable education. This conference allowed me to make connection and hear about the research my peers are doing in Sociology across the south. It also gave me an opportunity to practice presenting my Honors Thesis research.