In Fall 2019, the DataLab will host a weekly Civic Hack Night! Participation is open to graduates, undergraduates, faculty, post-docs, and staff at UC Davis seeking to engage in research and advocacy around civic issues facing California and learn about open government data resources. Throughout the quarter, we will research pressing issues facing CA, assess the availability of public data for contextualizing them, and design tools to translate the stakes of the issues using techniques in human-centered design. In the process, we will evaluate, discuss, and document public knowledge gaps, consider their consequences for CA communities, and publish blog posts and op-eds based on the findings. The success of this program is dependent on convening a diverse array of skills, including: legislative research, project management, interviewing, writing, user interface design, data analysis and visualization, and coding. Snacks will be provided. We hope you will join us!