

E55.2174: History of American Education and Society: Race and Ethnicity
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This course surveys the encounter between American racial and ethnic groups and the nation's educational institutions. Students are expected to complete all readings, to help lead at least one class, and to write a research paper. Assigned readings are on Blackboard.

January 20-Introduction

Barack H. Obama, "Speech on Race."

January 27-Ethnicity and Race.

Lawrence Cremin, *American Education: The Metropolitan Experience*, chapter 3.

Paula Fass, *Outside In: Minorities and the Transformation of American Education*, chapter 1.

David Tyack, "Schooling and Social Diversity."

February 3-Native Americans.

David W. Adams, *Education for Extinction: American Indians and the Boarding School Experience*, part 2.

John Reyhner and Jeanne Eder, *American Indian Education: A History*, chapters 1, 2, and 11.

Margaret C. Szasz, *Education and the American Indian: The Road to Self-Determination*, chapters 3, 4, 8, and 14.

"Report of Agent in Washington Territory."

February 10-African Americans.

James D. Anderson, *Education of Blacks in the South, 1860-1935*, chapters 1, 2, 5, and 7.

Lynn Gordon, "Race, Class, and the Bonds of Womanhood at Spelman Seminary, 1881-1923."

Raymond Wolters, *The New Negro on Campus*, Introduction and chapter 1.

Recommended: Linda Perkins, "Education."

February 17-Catholics.

James Sanders, *Education of an Urban Minority*, chapters 3, 4, 7, and 12.

JoEllen M. Vinyard, *For Faith and Fortune: The Education of Catholic Immigrants in Detroit, 1805-1925*, Introduction, chapters 2, 4, and 7.

Philip Gleason, *Contending with Modernity*, chapters 4, 11.

February 24-Jews.

Steven Brumberg, *Going to America, Going to School*, chapters 5, 8, and 9.

Dan Oren, *Joining the Club*, chapter 3.

Melissa Klapper, "'A Longer and Broad Education:' Jewish Girls and the Problem of Education in America."

March 3-Asian Americans.

Thomas James, *Exile Within; The Schooling of Japanese Americans, 1942-1945*, chapters 2, 4, and epilogue.

Eileen H. Tamura, "Asian Americans in the History of Education: An Historiographical Essay."

Meyer Weinberg, *Asian-American Education*, chapters 1, 2, 3, and one other chapter.

March 10: Latinas and Latinos.

Victoria-Maria MacDonald and Theresa Garcia, "Historical Perspectives on Hispanic Access to Higher Education," in Jeanett Castellanos and Lee Jones, eds., *The Majority in the Minority: Expanding the Representation of Latino/a Faculty, Administrators, and Students in Higher Education*, chapter 2.

Gilbert Gonzalez, *Chicano Education in the Era of Segregation*, chapters 2, 7, and conclusion.

Victoria-Maria MacDonald, *Latino Education in the United States: A Narrated History from 1513-2000*, chapters 5 and 7 and one other chapter.

March 17-No Class: Spring Break.

March 24-The Education of Teachers.

Ronald E. Butchart and Amy F. Roller, "Secondary Education and Emancipation: Secondary Schools for Freed Slaves in the American South, 1862-1875."

Janet Nolan, *Servants of the Poor: Teachers and Mobility in Ireland and Irish America*, chapters 5, 6, and 7.

Ruth Jacknow Markowitz, "Subway Scholars at Concrete Campuses: Daughters of Jewish Immigrants Prepared for the Teaching Profession, New York City, 1920-1940."

Christine Ogren, *The American State Normal School: "An Instrument of Great Good,"* chapters 2, 5, and epilogue.

March 31-Desegregation and Integration.

Brown v. Board of Education.

Jack Dougherty, et al., "Teaching Brown."

James T. Patterson, *Brown v. Board of Education: A Civil Rights Milestone and its Troubled Legacy*, chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, and 10.

Peter Wallenstein, *Brown v. Board of Education and Segregated Universities.*"

April 7-Discussion of Term Papers

April 14-Teaching Tolerance.

Cherry A. McGee Banks, *Improving Multicultural Education: Lessons from the Intergroup Education Movement*, chapters 1, 2, and 4.

Stuart Svonkin, *Jews Against Prejudice*, chapter 2.

Paul Vogt, *Tolerance and Education*, chapters 3 and 5.

April 21-Interracial and Interethnic Conflict.

David Lavin, *Changing the Odds*, chapters 1 and 8.

John T. McGreevy, *Parish Boundaries: The Catholic Encounter with Race in Twentieth Century Urban North*, chapter 9.

Jerald E. Podair, "White Values, Black Values."

April 28-Summing Up.

Matthew F. Jacobson, *Whiteness of a Different Color*, Introduction and chapters 1-3.

Hua Hsu, "The End of White America?"

Julie Reuben, "Merit, Mission and Minority Students: A History of Debate over Special Admissions Programs."

Steven Schlossman, "Is There an American Tradition of Bilingual Education?"

May 5-Papers due.