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RECLAIMING NATIVE GROUND: NATIVE AMERICA SINCE 1900

This course will explore Native American history in the late 19th and 20th centuries, a time punctuated by the violence of American expansion and consolidation, the boarding school systems that sought to erase Native cultures, and the effects of imperialism, which conspired to keep Native people in a subordinate status compared to their white neighbors. Yet, at this time, Native Nations began to rebuild and reclaim the United States as Native ground, drawing on ancient traditions to revitalize communities and fight for their rights in the American court system, the political system, and the court of public opinion. Together, we will explore how, in this history, Native peoples have proven themselves to be resilient and powerful.



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YOUR INSTRUCTOR: Matt Jennings, PhD



Matt Jennings, PhD is on faculty at Middle Georgia State University. His research includes Native American history, early American history, and the history of violence. He has studied Thomas Paine's interactions with Native Americans and the roots of John Brown's ideas about violence. He is currently studying the relationship between Native American peoples and the mounds at Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park, and the intertwined history of tourism and archaeology at the site. He has published several books including New Worlds of Violence, The Flower Hunter and the People, and Ocmulgee National Monument: A Concise History with Field Notes.

WEDNESDAYS, JANUARY 22 THROUGH FEBRUARY 26

1pm AK | 2pm PT | 3pm MT | 4pm CT | 5pm ET Each live session is 90 minutes

- Wednesday, January 22
- Wednesday, January 29
- Wednesday, February 5
- Wednesday, February 12
- Wednesday, February 19
- · Wednesday, February 26

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