

HIS 524 - GRADUATE CORE SEMINAR

THEORY AND PRACTICE

Professor Lori Flores

Wednesday - 3:30-6:20pm SBS N-318

This first half of a year-long course is an introduction to graduate study in history in general, and Stony Brook's program in particular. Featured readings are broad and varied—some address the discipline itself and explore important theoretical concepts and questions that inform historical thinking and writing. Other scholarship converges with the thematic strands of our program and our own faculty's work. Students will consistently practice incisive and accessible writing through weekly responses and preparatory assignments for their final Core paper and develop a stronger argumentative voice in seminar discussion. The second semester is devoted to researching and writing an original, primary source-based 25–35-page research paper of publishable quality. **For MA and PhD students only, advanced Academic Track MA students should consult advisor prior to enrolling.**