

**The Company Town at Seabrook Farms, NJ
NEH Summer Institute for High School Teachers
Program Schedule**

Each day of the institute – except when we are on site visits – will be divided into morning, midday, and afternoon sessions. The morning session will run from 9AM to noon, and will focus on discussion and dialogue surrounding secondary source readings. The midday session will take place from 1 to 3PM, and will consist of discussing and workshopping primary sources. The afternoon session, 3:30 to 5:30PM, will focus on curriculum research, the development of classroom activities and lesson plans, and workshopping.

Attendance at all of the sessions is required. The project director and institute faculty will be available during the afternoon sessions to meet and discuss students' independent projects, and to assist students in using resources available in the Rutgers Digital Humanities Lab.

The final project will be student driven. Over the course of the institute, students will meet regularly with faculty to develop new curriculum; online resources; classroom activities; oral history assignments; and other projects catered to individual need. We hope to work with you to help you create something that you can bring back to your own classrooms immediately.

Please note that some of the readings may change. The syllabus and reading selections for the institute will be finalized by no later than May 1, 2018.

Week One

Monday, July 16

Secondary Readings:

- John Seabrook, “The Spinach King,” *New Yorker*, February 20, 1995, 222-235.
- “Seabrook Farms,” Densho Encyclopedia
http://encyclopedia.densho.org/Seabrook_Farms/
- The Migrant Clinicians Network, “The Migrant /Seasonal Farmworker” (<http://www.migrantclinician.org/issues/migrant-info/migrant.html>) and “Understanding Migration” (<http://www.migrantclinician.org/issues/migrant-info.html>)

Primary sources:

Rutgers Community Repository Records, Seabrook Farms Collections (RUCore)
War Relocation Authority (WRA) Records
Wartime Manpower Commission (WMC)
Farm Security Administration Records (FSA)
Consumer League of New Jersey Records
Records of the Displaced Persons Commission (DPC)
Records from *Densho* (www.densho.org)

Records from the *Bracero History Archive* (<http://braceroarchive.org/>)

Tuesday, July 17

Beth Hessel, Visiting Faculty

Secondary Readings:

- Brian Hayashi, *Democratizing the Enemy: The Japanese American Internment* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2004).
- Moustafa Bayoumi, *This Muslim American Life: Dispatches from the War on Terror* (New York: New York University Press, 2015).

Primary Sources:

WRA Records

Records from *Densho* (www.densho.org)

Wednesday, July 18

Beth Hessel, Visiting Faculty

Secondary Readings:

- Hayashi, *Democratizing the Enemy*
- Bayoumi, *This Muslim American Life*

Primary Sources:

WRA Records

Records from *Densho* (www.densho.org)

Thursday, July 19

Rachel Feinmark, Visiting Faculty

Secondary Readings:

- Stephen Porter, *Benevolent Empire: U.S. Power, Humanitarianism, and the World's Dispossessed* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2016).
- Phillip Connor, Pew Research Center, "U.S. Resettles Fewer Refugees, Even as Global Number of Displaced People Grows," Oct. 12, 2017, <http://www.pewglobal.org/2017/10/12/u-s-resettles-fewer-refugees-even-as-global-number-of-displaced-people-grows/>

Primary Sources:

DPC Records

Friday, July 20

Rachel Feinmark, Visiting Faculty

Secondary Readings:

- Porter, *Benevolent Empire*.
- American Immigration Council, "Understanding the Central American Refugee Crisis," February 1, 2016, <https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/research/understanding-central-american-refugee-crisis>

Primary Sources:

DPC Records

Week Two

Monday, July 23

Class Trip to Ellis Island.

Tuesday, July 24

Justin Jackson, Visiting Faculty

Secondary Readings:

- Cindy Hahamovitch, *The Fruits of Their Labor: Atlantic Coast Farmworkers and the Making of Migrant Poverty, 1870-1945* (Chapel Hill, NC: University of North Carolina Press, 1997).
- Margaret Hermenia Gordon, "A Study of Migratory Labor at Seabrook Farms, 1941-1945," MA Thesis, 1947, Atlanta University School of Social Work.
- Barbara Tucker, "Agricultural Workers in World War II: The Reserve Army of Children, Black Americans, and Jamaicans," *Agricultural History* 68, no. 1 (1994): 54-73.
- Aviva Chomsky, *Undocumented: How Immigration Became Illegal* (New York: Beacon Press, 2014).

Primary Sources:

WMC Records

FSA Records

Consumer League of New Jersey Records

Records from the *Bracero History Archive* (<http://braceroarchive.org/>)

Wednesday, July 25

Justin Jackson, Visiting Faculty

Secondary Readings:

- Hahamovitch, *The Fruits of Their Labor*
- Noah Lanard and CATA, The Farmworkers Support Committee, “Unseen: Migrant Workers in South Jersey,” 2006.
- Chomsky, *Undocumented*

Primary Sources:

WMC Records

FSA Records

Consumer League of New Jersey Records

Records from the *Bracero History Archive* (<http://braceroarchive.org/>)

Thursday, July 26

Class Trip to Seabrook Cultural and Educational Center

Friday, July 27

Readings:

- Mitziko Sawada, “After the Camps: Seabrook Farms, New Jersey, and the Resettlement of Japanese Americans, 1944-47,” *Amerasia Journal* 13, no. 2 (1986-7): 117-36.
- Lika C. Miyake, “Forsaken and Forgotten: The U.S. Internment of Japanese Peruvians During World War II,” *Asian American Legal Journal* 9, no. 5 (2002): 163-93.
- Seiichi Higashide, “From a Barbed-wire ‘Town’ to a Chain-link Town,” in *Adios to Tears: The Memoirs of a Japanese-Peruvian Internee in U.S. Concentration Camps* (2000), 176-192.
- A. Naomi Paik, “Residues of Rightlessness: Ghosts and the Afterlife of Internment,” in *Rightlessness: Testimony and Redress in U.S. Prison Camps since World War II* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2016).
- Brief of Amicus Curiae Fred Korematsu in Support of Petitioners *Al Odah*, et. al., <https://ratical.org/ratville/CAH/KorematsuBrf.html#p3>

Primary Sources:

RUCore Records

WRA Records

WMC Records

FSA Records

Consumer League of New Jersey Records

DPC Records

Records from *Densho* (www.densho.org)

Records from the *Bracero History Archive* (<http://braceroarchive.org/>)