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HISTORY 610-301

### **THE LITERATURE OF NINETEENTH CENTURY AMERICAN HISTORY**

This course offers a graduate level introduction to the literature of nineteenth century U.S. history. It uses a reading list of recently published and classic texts to help students map the critical questions and debates that have shaped the field. The list is also designed to represent key methodological developments, including in gender and transnational histories. The course proceeds as a reading seminar. It meets weekly. The standard writing requirement is a book review and a historiographical paper on a topic of the student's choosing. Students are also welcome to write their second-year research paper in conjunction with the seminar.

#### SAMPLE BOOK LIST

Linda Kerber, *No Constitutional Right to Be Ladies: Women and the Obligations of Citizenship* (1998)

Stephen Mihm, *A Nation of Countefeiters: Capitalists, Con Men, and the Making of the United States* (2007)

Edward Rugemer, *The Problem of Emancipation: The Caribbean Roots of the American Civil War* (2008)

Steven Hahn, *A Nation Under Our Feet: Black Political Struggles in the Rural South from Slavery to the Great Migration* (2003)

Karl Jacoby, *Shadows at Dawn: A Borderlands Massacre and the Violence of History* (2008)