

# Modernity, Difference, and Power: Race and Racism in the US



**Spring 2017**  
**AH 449**  
**Th 4-6:45pm**

Organized around a rotating theme, “Modernity, Difference, and Power” is a seminar for advanced undergraduates and graduate students that addresses questions of power and cultural production through engagement with advanced theory.

In 2017 this course will focus on historical constructions of race and racism, state policies, activism, and racialized urban spaces in the modern U.S. A thematic approach will allow us to compare and contrast how inequality has been produced, maintained, and resisted in a number of historical contexts among various racialized groups. Students will choose between working groups on “public memory” and “the city” and will make use of archival and local resources to create a piece of original scholarship.