History 72800
20th Century American Foundations
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Spring 2022
Mondays 6:30-8:30 pm
Meetings/Office Hours by Appointment

Syllabus

Assignments: Students will moderate one or more class discussions, write a 10-15 page paper based on their archival research, and present their findings at the end of the course. Most if not all of the archival materials from the Rockefeller Archive Center should be available online, and students are strongly advised to confer with RAC’s archival staff for help in finding materials as their research progresses.

Books and articles with one asterisk (*) are available on JSTOR. Those with two asterisks (**) will be available via Dropbox

Materials marked with a hyphen (-) are available via the Graduate Center Library as eBooks or on physical reserve – to access the course reserve materials, go to https://libguides.gc.cuny.edu/er.php?b=c (or you can access it via the library’s website).
The password for your course will be HISTMcCarthy.

Finally, several readings are accessible directly through URLs provided directly below.

1. Introduction / Origins — 1/31/22

   Moderator: Danielle Bennett

2. What do Foundations Do? — 2/7/22

   Moderator: Victoria Phillips
3. Knowledge Creation and Public Policy — 2/14/22

   Moderator: Evan Rothman

   No class on February 21st. The Graduate Center is closed for President’s Day. Additional class dates will be added once the dates for the additional sessions are confirmed.

4. Medical Education — 2/28/22

   Moderator: Jean McLaughlin

   Barbara Shubinski, Director of Research and Education, The Rockefeller Archive Center
   Eric John Abrahamson, Founder and Principal, Vantage Point Historical Services, Inc.

   Barry Goldberg and Barbara Shubinski, “‘Black Education and Rockefeller Philanthropy from the Jim Crow South to the Civil Rights Era,”

First five pages due on 3/7/22

6. Health and Science — 3/14/22
Moderator: Bradford Pelletier

7. Population and Community Development — 3/21/22
Moderator: Googie Karrass

8. The Green Revolution — 3/28/22
Moderator: Miriam Nacimento


Moderator: Victoria Phillips

10. **Foundations in Latin America — 4/11/22**

Moderator: Juliana Valente

*Spring Break, April 15 (Fri.) -22 (Fri.), 2022.*


Moderator: Barbara Shubinski

*Full Draft of Final Paper is due April 25, 2022.*

12. Presentations, May 2, 2022

13. Presentations, May 9, 2022 — in person

14. Conclusion, May 16, 2022 — in person
Full draft of final papers due.

Important Dates:
Preliminary orientation for doing research at the Rockefeller Archive Center, with Barbara Shubinski, Director of Research and Education, Monday, January 24th, 3:45-5:00 via Zoom.

First day of class: Monday, January 31st. At this point, the meetings will be via Zoom, aside from the last two sessions.

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Draft of first five pages due March 7th.

Spring Break, April 15 (Fri.) - 22 (Fri.), 2022.

First draft of full paper due April 25, 2022.

Presentations — 5/2/22

Presentations — 5/9/22— in person

Conclusion — 5/16/22 — in person

Final paper due May 16, 2022