This introductory survey course examines US history through the lens of immigration. Immigrants were—and are—central to nation building, and central to the foundational narratives that Americans tell about themselves. We will examine who migrated to the United States—and why—at different periods of US history, and in different locations, from Boston and New York to El Paso, San Francisco, and Honolulu. Lectures, readings and discussions address popular, legal, and political responses to immigration as reflected in legislation and policy, art, literature, film, the print media, and now social media.

Tuesdays and Thursdays
11:40 – 12:55

Students must also enroll in one of these discussion sections: Thursday 2:30-3:20, Friday 11:15-12:05 or 12:20-1:10.