This course is an examination of the ways in which the immigration of various people from around the world has shaped American history and U.S. national identity. Beginning with the American colonial period and ending with the present day, this course traces the development of policies toward immigrants from Europe, Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Other key topics include assimilation and integration, the daily lives of immigrants and multi-status families, twenty-first century debates over immigration policy in the post 9/11 era, inequalities within the U.S. immigration system, pro-immigrant rights movements, and the impact of economics and foreign policy upon border and citizenship legislation.