The history of Asians in America dates back over 400 years. How much have you had a chance to learn?

* What did Chinese immigrants in the 1800s do besides build the railroads?
* Why did American efforts to liberate the Philippines from Spanish colonialism end with the U.S. establishing colonial rule over the Philippines?
* What was it like to be an Asian woman in the early 1900s?
* Who were the earliest Asians to come to Michigan and what did they do?
* Have Asians assimilated into America?
* Where do Asians fall within the history of racism and anti-racism in America?

In this course, you will:

* Learn the origins of “coolie,” “dragon lady,” and “gook” stereotypes
* Read first-hand accounts and watch videos of Asian American pioneers
* See the connection between U.S. history and your family’s experience
* Investigate historical issues rarely addressed by the media and K-12 education