

## WINTER 2006 COURSE



**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?

# AMERICAN CULTURE 314 / HISTORY 378 HISTORY OF ASIAN AMERICANS

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MON/WED 1:00 - 2:30PM  
3 GSI SECTIONS AVAILABLE  
4 CREDITS  
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- \*Why did the U.S. Supreme Court rule in 1923 that immigrants from India were barred from American citizenship?
- \*Why did the U.S. military cover-up a massacre of civilians during the Korean war?
- \*How did new immigration and refugee laws of the 1960s and 1970s lead to the exponential growth of South Asian, Hmong, and Vietnamese communities in America?
- \*What caused 120,000 Japanese Americans to be sent to concentration camps during World War II?

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

