



## PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Greetings and congratulations to all on another semester well done. Although this year has been unlike any other we have seen before, I believe it has highlighted the tenacity and flexibility of our students and faculty.

I sincerely wish a happy and healthy holiday season to all.

*- Dr. Jeff Johnson*



## RECENT NEWS

### **A Spotlight on One of Our Professors Making Waves Outside of the PC Bubble**



Our very own, Dr. Sharon Murphy was featured on the NPR radio episode "History of the Slave Trade in Kentucky" on October 21st, 2020. Dr. Murphy shared her expertise on the subject of the banking and insurance industries in antebellum America.

## COVID-19 UPDATES

### **An Update on Our Program's Response Plan to the COVID-19 Pandemic**

Each day, undergraduate and graduate students, staff, and faculty will be selected at random to be tested, otherwise known as surveillance testing.

Graduate students will be expected to maintain 6 feet of distance from each other and wear masks while in classrooms and on campus.

Graduate students will be responsible for cleaning their work spaces before and after use. Wipes are included inside buildings and outside classrooms. Students who will require online-only courses for medical or personal reasons should contact Candace at [cmaciel@providence.edu](mailto:cmaciel@providence.edu).

Please email [gradprograms@providence.edu](mailto:gradprograms@providence.edu) with any questions.



# GRADUATE PROGRAM IN HISTORY

## NEW FACULTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Welcome to the PC Graduate History Family!

The Graduate History Program welcomes **Dr. Alyssa Lopez**, a historian of early twentieth century African American history with particular interests in film and activism. Dr. Lopez joins us from Michigan State University, where she completed her Ph.D. as a King-Chávez-Parks Future Faculty Fellow. Dr. Lopez's bio is available at <https://history.providence.edu/faculty-members/alyssa-lopez/>.



Also new to our team this year is **Dr. Claire Roosien**, a historian of Central Asia, the Russian Empire, and the Soviet Union. Dr. Roosien received her joint Ph.D. in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations/Russian History from the University of Chicago. She is particularly interested in the close engagement with texts written in minority languages of the Russian Empire. Dr. Roosien's bio is available at <https://history.providence.edu/faculty-members/claire-roosien/>.

## SPRING COURSES

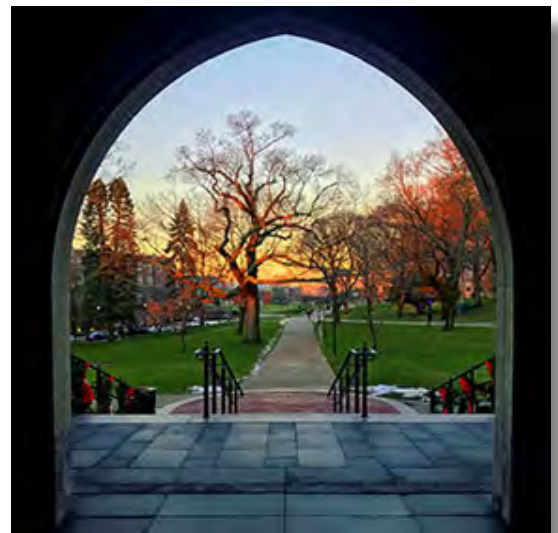
### *What Classes Should I Register for Next Spring?*

**HIS 630: American Revolution** – Dr. S. Smith  
Monday, 7:00-9:30PM - Online Synchronous

**HIS 770: ST: Black Urban History** – Dr. A. Lopez  
Monday 4:30-6:50PM - Online Synchronous

**HIS 770: ST: The New Histories** – Dr. J. Johnson  
Thursday 4:30-6:50PM - Online Synchronous

**HIS 770: The Ottoman Empire** – Dr. V. Erginbas  
Wednesday 4:30-6:50PM - Online Synchronous



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