A History of US Policy Towards Native Americans

This 8 – week class is designed to investigate the history of colonialism and genocide perpetrated against Native Nations of North America.

We will be using a variety of sources, but the main text for the class is, A Little Matter of Genocide: Holocaust and Denial in the Americas 1492 to the Present. This book by native scholar Ward Churchill, provides well-sourced details of a genocidal policy that began with the European invasion of North America up until today. We will also explore the significance of this policy on a local level and what it means today in West Michigan.

The class will be on Wednesday nights from 7 – 9PM beginning January 18, 2012. The class will take place in one of the community rooms at the Steepletown Center located at 671 Davis NW in Grand Rapids.

The cost of the class is $20, which does not include the cost of the book.

For more information or to sign up please contact Jeff Smith at jsmith@griid.org.