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From Asia to Wall Street EC 399, CRN 17075, 4 credits Tim Duy

Thailand – 1997. Russia – 1998. Argentina – 2001. United States – 2007. Europe – 2009. The world seems to be lurching from one financial crisis to the next, with devastating consequences for affected economies. Is there a common theme to financial crises? What can governments do to contain crises, or prevent them in the first place? We will answer these questions and more as we explore the history of financial crises across the globe.



Race and Resistance in U.S. History ES 399, CRN 17076, 4 credits Daniel Hosang

Explore the hidden history of political, social and artistic movements to achieve racial justice in the U.S. We'll go beyond the familiar stories of civil rights marches to consider the uncommon efforts of common people who sought (and continue to seek) a robust and vigorous democracy for all of us: the singers, the workers, the parents, the poets, and the students who embraced organizer Ella Baker's call "We who believe in freedom cannot rest until it comes." The class will explore how these efforts have shaped the world around us.



Imaginative Minds PSY 399, CRN 17070, 4 credits Marjorie Taylor

Imagination refers to the capacity to mentally transcend time, place, and/or circumstance to think about what might have been, plan and anticipate the future, create fictional worlds, and consider remote and close alternatives to actual experiences. This multi-faceted capacity emerges in early childhood and is fundamental to human thought throughout life. In this course we will examine how psychologists think about and study human imagination, covering topics such as pretend play in children, counterfactual reasoning, mental time travel, creativity, dreaming, mental illness, and virtual worlds.

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