

NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

SPRING CONFERENCE

PLENARY SESSION

“Lessons From the Past - Immigration & Migration, Can the Historical Past Help Guide Us in an Uncertain Future”

Panelists

Dr. Rachel Gillett

Visiting Assistant Professor, Boston College

“Of Arms and Man I Sing”: Citizenship, Migration, and the Promise of Military Service”

Dr. Janette Greenwood

Assistant Professor, Clark University

“ Black Migration to Worcester (1862-1900): Lessons Learned”

Dr. John McClymer

Professor, Assumption College

“The Chinese Exclusion”

Dr. Kristen Petersen

Assistant Professor, Massachusetts College of
Pharmacy & Health Sciences

“Teaching Arizona: Government, Americanization & Education in Historic Perspective”

National Park Service Ranger Chuck Arning

Moderator / Facilitator

Plenary Concept:

In the turbulent world that we all find ourselves, with, what appear to be, world changing events occurring almost daily, historians have a particular role to play in connecting the often obscure past with a very uncertain future in a meaningful way. It is the goal of this plenary to reach back into our global past, through these excellent papers, and look at immigration and migration issues from specific perspectives, then engage the Spring Conference of the New England Historical Association in a thoughtful dialogue connecting the past to the present with, perhaps for those adventurous souls, a glimpse into the future.