California: Land of Movement

Thursdays, March 5 – April 9, 1-3 pm Munger Research Center, Seaver 3

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(Preliminary Syllabus)

From the gridlock of the freeways to the ground shaking under our feet, California makes it easy to obsess about movement. In this seminar, we will embrace that obsession as a lens for exploring the state's complicated history. Drawing on a wide variety of Huntington resources, we will consider how California has been shaped by immigration, illness, transportation, tourism, and the flow of and over water.

Date	Theme	Reading	Topics
Mar 5	Immigration (West)	Donner, Royce	Westward Migration Women in California Migration Encountering the U.S. West
Mar 12	Immigration (East)	1871 Los Angeles Riot	Chinese Migration to California Chinese-White Relations in California
Mar 19	Transportation	(TBA)	Railroads Freeways Phineas Banning
Mar 26	Tourism	Privatized Leisure	Auto Travel National Parks Travel Diaries
Apr 2	Illness	(TBA)	(TBA)
Apr 9	Water	(TBA)	Pacific Trade and Early California (TBA)

Please complete the assigned reading before class and bring a copy with you. They will be distributed by email and also available for download at jasonlabau.com/movement. Let me know if you need any further assistance.