

2024 Forget Plymouth Rock—It all started right here: The real American Origin Story

WEEK	TOPIC	TOUR / CLASS LOCATION	READING	PRESENTER TOPIC / SUGGESTED TEXT
Week One: June 28th	The Indigenous populations of the Americas	Temple Beth El	Philbrick – Part I: Discovery, pp. 3-120	Course overview & PowerPoint talk / Kathleen Bragdon (1996) <i>Native People</i>
Week Two: July 5th	Colonial encounters in New England through 1621	Seat of Metacom, Bristol / Mt. Hope Farm, Bristol	Philbrick – Part II: Accommodation, pp. 123-157	The arrival of the Pilgrims / John Turner, (2020) <i>They Knew They Were Pilgrims</i>
Week Three: July 12th	The next ten years and the arrival of Roger Williams	Roger Williams Memorial & Charter Room / State House Library	Philbrick – Chapter 10: One small candle, pp. 161-182	The ideas of Roger Williams / Edwin Gaustad, (2005) <i>Roger Williams, Lives and Legacies</i>
Week Four: July 19st	Events leading up to King Philip's War	Newman Church & Burial Ground / Hunt's Mills Education Center	Philbrick – Chapter 11: The Ancient Mother, pp.183-197, and Chapter 12: The Trial, pp. 198-225	the John Sassamon murder trial / Yasuhide Kawashima (2001) <i>Igniting King Philip's War</i>
Week Five: July 26th	The outbreak of the War and the Great Swamp Massacre	Myles Garrison Marker / Swansea Baptist Church	Philbrick – Chapter 13: Kindling the Flame, pp. 229-258, and Chapter 14: The God of Armies, pp. 259-283	The course of the War / Daniel Mandell (2010) <i>King Philip's War</i>
Week Six: August 2nd	The War winds down and ends in Rehoboth and Maine	Anawan Rock, Rehoboth / Carpenter Museum	Philbrick – Chapter 15: In a Strange Way, pp. 284-310, and Chapter 16: The Better Side of the Hedge, pp.311-344	The War in Maine / Lisa Brooks (2018) <i>Our Beloved Kin</i>
Week Seven: August 9th	Post War slavery and genocide	King Philip Death Site/ Bristol Historical & Preservation Society	Philbrick – Epilogue: Conscience, pp.345-361	Indigenous slavery / Wendy Warren (2016) <i>New England Bound</i>
Week Eight: August 16th	Survival of the Tribe, The Pokanoket Tribe today	Library, First Congregational Church, 461 County St, Barrington, RI	History of the Pokanoket Diaspora http://drweed.net/PokanoketDiasporaHistory.pdf	Rewriting history / Jill Lepore (1998) <i>The Name of War</i>