

"Playing Empire" - now recommended reading
 Quiz posted!

- what is settler colonialism
- How does gender and/or race play a role in settler colonialism's goal of land acquisition?

Reader office hours posted!

Imperialism: practice, theory, and attitudes of a dominating metropolitan center that rules a distant territory

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Edward Said
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Colonialism: almost always a consequence of imperialism

Settler Colonialism: colonies which, over time, annihilate, displace, and/or marginalize indigenous peoples.

main goal: acquire land and set up a permanent presence

- this goal is rendered as an innocent one; and the idea is perpetuated through stories that are told
- stories of suffering = entitlement to "empty land"

David Chang: everything in US history is tied to the land.

Established: citizens were property-owning white men.

race, gender, land ownership is basis of citizenship

- sets framework for taking citizenship from native people. → can't own land.

property: land that is farmed (productive land)

- Native land didn't look like English farms.
- Natives seen as unable to settle + farm.

African slaves could not own land - they were seen as property themselves

- race in US: black vs. white - lingering result of settler colonialism practice + beliefs

Patrick Wolfe: settler colonialism based on logic of elimination

- cultural assimilation
- erase nativeness from racial conversations
- white people had to establish fundamental differences from black people to be able to enslave them.
- this kind of isolation also consistent with immigrants (Chinese + Mexican)
- not-whites get pushed to unwanted land
- In the contact zone, native populations disrupted by a disruption in the role of gender.
 - Native women lost authority

Anti-conquest: "seeing man" is protagonist - subjects are trying to secure innocence as they assert European hegemony

American Americanus rexit, Semel vocavit inde temper excitam. (painting)