



Portrait by Edward Ayers Burbank, see other Burbank portraits in the Helen Hanson Gallery

Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce (1840?-1904) led his people's attempt to resist the takeover of their lands in the Oregon Territory by white settlers. He and his tribe, the Nez Perce, fought and outmaneuvered their enemies during a three-month long, 1,400-mile retreat along the West in hopes of reaching Canada. They were only 40 miles away from the border when he called for a halt to the fighting, and on October 5, 1877, at Bears Paw, formally surrendered to U.S. troops and reportedly made his famous speech, *"I am tired of fighting...It is cold, and we have no blankets. The little children are freezing to death. My people, some of them, have run away to the hills, and have no blankets, no food. No one knows where they are — perhaps freezing to death. I want to have time to look for my children, and see how many of them I can find. Maybe I shall find them among the dead. Hear me, my chiefs! I am tired. My heart is sick and sad. From where the sun now stands I will fight no more forever."*

CALL FOR PAPERS

American Indian and Indigenous Studies Seminar Series, 2018–19

Submission Deadline: October 15, 2018

The seminar provides a forum for works-in-progress that explore topics in American Indian and Indigenous Studies. We encourage the submission of proposals for seminar papers that examine a wide variety of subjects relating to American Indian and Indigenous studies. We welcome proposals from scholars working in a wide range of fields in both the academic disciplines and creative arts.

The seminar is open to graduate students, faculty members and independent scholars who are in the early phase of a writing project or are exploring new pathways of research. To maximize time for discussion, papers and/or creative work are circulated electronically in advance. Priority is given to individuals who are at a stage of their research at which they can best benefit from discussion. The seminar meets during the academic year from November through June, on Thursday afternoons from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Newberry Library. Light refreshments are provided at each meeting.

To propose a paper, please send a one-page proposal outlining your work, a statement that suggests how your work fits into the broader framework of your discipline, and a brief C.V. via email to: mcnickle@newberry.org. **Please send all materials as one PDF attachment.**

If you are interested in proposing a paper and have questions, please contact the McNickle Center Interim Director, Dr. Susan Sleeper Smith at sleepers@newberry.org, or McNickle Center Program Coordinator, Patrick Rochford at rochfordp@newberry.org.

The Newberry Library is unable to provide funds for travel or lodging but can assist in locating discounted accommodations. For more information and for past seminar topics visit: www.newberry.org/american-indian-studies-seminar-series.

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