



Environmental History Seminar

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Seminars begin at 5:15 PM.* These sessions bring together a diverse group of scholars and interested members of the public to workshop a pre-circulated paper. After brief remarks from the author and an assigned commentator, the discussion is opened to the floor. All are encouraged to ask questions, provide feedback on the circulated essay, and discuss the topic at hand. Our sessions are free and open to everyone. Register through our online calendar to attend and receive the circulated papers. You can also purchase a \$25 annual subscription to gain advanced access to the papers of all seven seminar series.

- 4 November 2021** **The “Science” of Dry-Farming: The Emergence of a Concept in Global Perspective**
Elizabeth Williams, University of Massachusetts, Lowell
Comment: TBA
- 16 December 2021** **Local Food Before Locavores: Growing Vegetables in the Boston Market Garden District, 1870-1930**
Sally McMurry, Pennsylvania State University
Comment: Andrew Robichaud, Boston University
- 25 January 2022** **Earthquakes in New England, 1600-1800: Extraordinary Natural Events Shine a Light on Timekeeping and Recordkeeping Practices in Early America**
Katrin Kleeman, German Maritime Museum
Comment: TBA
- 8 March 2022** **Targeting Reform: CERCLA, Industri-Plex, and Pollution Remediation in the United States**
Jonathan Williams, Boston University
Comment: TBA
- 12 April 2022** **The Big Thirst: Desalination as a Tool for Development in the 1950s and 1960s**
Elizabeth Hameeteman, Boston University
Comment: TBA.

** During the 2021-2022 academic year, please see our website to learn if sessions will take place in person or online. We hope to present most sessions in hybrid format.*