## SUMMER 2025

## **ENJOYING THE PAST AND PRESENT NEW YORK CITY:** A HISTORY OF RECREATION IN THE BIG APPLE

This course will explore the history of Manhattan, emphasizing the unique traits that drew into its harbor millions of immigrants and millions more tourists seeking its many resources, rich culture, and complex history. Together, we will explore the history of New York City's parks, city shopping, entertainment venues, museums, and concerts. We will also discuss the social and arts movements that grew out of the city. Gain an appreciation of what the city has to offer its visitors and an insight into the history behind the tourist attractions.

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## YOUR INSTRUCTOR: Adam Kocurek



Adam Kocurek is a PhD candidate in History at The CUNY Graduate Center. His research lies at the intersections of LGBTQ+ history, labor history, and the history of higher education. He is an adjunct lecturer at Hunter College where he teaches modern American history. He has held fellowship positions at Queensborough Community College and Medgar Evers College, and has taught at Baruch College. He is a tour guide for Big Onion Walking Tours, leading locals and visitors on innovative and exciting tours through New York's ethnic neighborhoods and historic districts. Through his research and teaching, he is committed to illuminating the complexities of American history and fostering a deeper understanding of the diverse narratives that shape our society today.

## WEDNESDAYS, JULY 9 THROUGH AUGUST 13 7am AK | 8am PT | 9am MT | 10am CT | 11am ET Each live session is 90 minutes

- Wednesday, July 9
- Wednesday, July 16
- Wednesday, July 23
- Wednesday, July 30
- Wednesday, August 6
- Wednesday, August 13

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