

# Confinement in the United States: Deep Histories, Intersecting Oppressions

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The United States has the highest rate of incarceration in the world. We lock up more two million people in a variety of cages both within and beyond U.S. borders—including local jails, state and federal prisons, juvenile detention centers, and immigrant detention centers, and military detention sites around the world. This talk will discuss the long, multifaceted histories of detention in the United States that targeted a range of people outcast by its settler state and society. As the talk will show, the prison is neither a place “over there,” nor is it an exception or aberration to U.S. history and culture. Rather, imprisonment has been fundamental to the workings of U.S. state power.



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