

# Research Seminar Series 2015–2016



## SEPTEMBER 17

Bryant Simon, Temple University  
"The Hamlet Imperial Food Products Fire: Business Relocation, Tragedy, and the Geography of Silence in Post-New Deal America"

## NOVEMBER 19

Rachel Gross, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
"Miracle Materials: Synthetic Fibers and the Construction of Comfort in Outdoor Recreation"

## DECEMBER 10

Benjamin R. Cohen, Lafayette College  
"The First Food Police: Controlling Homes and Bodies in the Gilded Age"

## FEBRUARY 18

Rebecca Kobrin, Columbia University  
"A Credit to the Nation: Jewish Immigrants, the World of Immigrant Banking and American Finance, 1873-1914."

## APRIL 14

Philip Scranton, Rutgers University, and Patrick Fridenson, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales  
"This Grave New World: Global Postwar Transformations in Business Practices"

## MAY 19

Jonathan Free, Duke University  
"Capitalizing on Crisis: Environmental Regulation, Coal Power, and Workers Power, 1970-74"

For more than twenty years Hagley's research seminars have brought innovative work-in-progress essays for wide-ranging discussions on Thursday evenings during the academic year. Those planning to attend are encouraged to read the paper in advance as the author does not deliver a lecture. For papers, contact Carol Lockman, [clockman@Hagley.org](mailto:clockman@Hagley.org) or (302) 658-2400, ext. 243.

Seminars are free and held in the Library Copeland Room. Light reception at 6 p.m., formal discussion 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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