

# Center for Race & Ethnicity at Rutgers University



## This Week at the Center for Race & Ethnicity

[Documenting Immigrant Experiences in NJ Communities: A Roundtable Discussion](#)

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## Welcome to the Center for Race & Ethnicity (CRE):

- Facilitating research and enriching education on matters of race and ethnicity in contemporary life in America, in New Jersey, and the world.
- Promoting collaborations and fostering cross-disciplinary seminars and discussions on topics from immigration and work, to ethnic politics and racial classification, from preservation of cultural identity to its transformation, and including questions of poverty, discrimination, advancement, integration, and privilege.
- Identifying critical areas for future research and supporting race and ethnicity research and policy development.

## *CRE News*

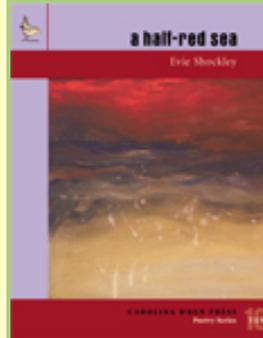
The Center's recent roundtable, [Teaching Unimaginable Experiences](#), generated a thought-provoking discussion about teaching genocide, slavery, and mass murder in the classroom. For a summary of the event and a growing list of related resources, click [here](#).

## Upcoming Events

[Teaching Race & Ethnicity Across the Disciplines](#)

[Katrina Project](#)

## Recent Books & Publications



[Evie Shockley \(English\)--a half-red sea](#)

## Featured Syllabus

[Sociology 614: Race & Ethnicity \(Dr. Catherine Lee\)](#)--This is an introductory graduate-level seminar on sociological approaches to studying race and ethnicity. We will examine race and ethnicity as categories of collective identity, recognizing that their putative meanings are open to cultural, social, and political contestations. [\(more\)](#)

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## "Envisioning a Better Mississippi:

Hurricane Katrina and Mississippi one Year Later." A New Report released by the Initiative for Regional and Community Transformation (Executive Director, [Roland Anglin](#)), and commissioned by the Mississippi Conference of the NAACP. A study of what has been accomplished in the time since Katrina, the significant challenges remaining in compensation for loss property, and how the slow pace of rebuilding rental housing threatens to prolong recovery. (With contributors from a wide variety of authors and institutions including the Brookings Institution and the Enterprise Corporation of the Delta, the report was featured in newspapers from the USA Today, to the Chicago Tribune and other local and regional media.)

Recent article by Associate Director [Mia Bay](#), "In Search of Sally Hemings in the Post-DNA Era" (*Reviews in American History* 34:4, December 2006), discussed in [Inside Higher Ed](#).

The Sunday, February 25, 2007 issue of the *Raleigh News and Observer* featured an editorial, "The

## Recent Events

[NEW! Katrina, Race, & Environmental Disasters in Historical Perspective--](#) Professor Richard Mizelle (Fall 2006)

This undergraduate course, designed and taught in collaboration with the Center for Race & Ethnicity, delves into the multiple meanings of Katrina within a framework of environmental history and disasters in America. ([more](#))

Consequential Case  
of Jessica Santillan,"  
by Director Keith Wailoo.

N.J. Communities Debate  
the Use of the N-Word,  
on NPR.



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