Social Justice Lecture Series

Natalia Mehlman Petrzela

“Wellness, Culture, and U.S. Education, Past and Present”

Please join us on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 from 12:00-1:00PM

Natalia Mehlman Petrzela is Assistant Professor of History at the New School in New York City and the author of Classroom Wars: Language, Sex and the Making of Modern Political Culture (Oxford University Press, 2015), which details the roots of the culture wars in American public schools, specifically around sexuality and bilingual education. Natalia’s most recent research focuses on American “wellness culture” and asks how Americans have engaged in food and fitness regimes as a path to self-fulfillment. She is also the co-founder of Healthclass2.0, an experiential wellness education program embedded in New York City’s public schools.

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