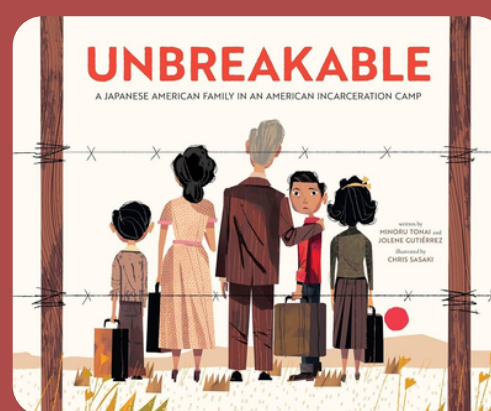
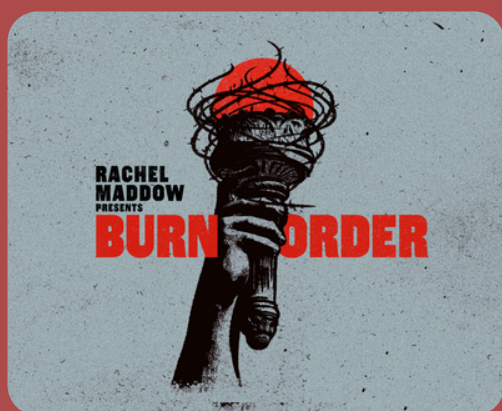


TEACHING JAPANESE INCARCERATION USING MULTIMODAL SOURCES

A national online professional development course for K-12 teachers

October 1 – November 18, 2026

Join Dr. Rachel Maddow (MS NOW) and Dr. Noreen Naseem Rodríguez (Michigan State University) to consider teaching and learning about the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II and the legacies of this difficult history through multi-modal sources. Teachers will explore immigrants entangled in US-Japan relations prior to 1941, rationales for incarceration, local and personal experiences of incarceration, Japanese American resistance, and legacies of incarceration. Core texts include Rachel Maddow's podcast *Burn Order* and the picturebook *Unbreakable: A Japanese American Family in an American Incarceration Camp* by co-authors Minoru Tonai and Jolene Gutiérrez and illustrator Chris Sasaki.



The course will be conducted through 3 asynchronous, 2-week online modules, which include: multimodal materials including scholarly articles, the Rachel Maddow podcast, and a historical fiction picturebook; live webinars; and participant discussion forums on content and pedagogy. Attendance is required at 4 live webinars, Oct. 15, Oct. 22, Oct. 29, and Nov. 12 at 7pm ET. The course begins Oct. 1 with introductions. Modules run from Oct. 8 to Nov. 18. A Curriculum Implementation Plan and evaluation are due Dec. 3. Participants are responsible for access to the podcast and acquiring the picturebook *Unbreakable* in advance of the course start date.

Eligibility:

Targeted to K-8 teachers; high school teachers will be considered. Admission is selective, and priority will be given to teachers who can incorporate the materials into their classroom teaching. Enrollment is limited to 25 teachers.

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- Access to materials online or via download.
- Discussion with Japan studies and Asian American studies education specialists, book author, and fellow educators.
- Upon course completion participants receive: \$100 completion award & Certificate of completion for 24 hours.