

# SUNY Plattsburgh History Department Senior Presentations



**MAY 8TH, 2026**  
**Alumni Conference Room**

## Schedule:

- 8:25 Welcome & Land Acknowledgment
- 8:30 Braden Peluso  
“Contested Histories: Addressing the Odanak-Missisquoi Relationship”
- 8:55 Tyler Deluca  
“From Marksmanship to Political Advocacy: NRA Activism in the Early Twentieth Century”
- 9:20 Larry Blackwell  
“Thomas Jefferson, Sally Hemings, and the Children History Tried to Forget”
- 9:45 Sarah Davidson  
“A Historiographical Approach: Examining the Importance of Household Archeology Within Cultural Preservation”
- 10:10 Sarah Tansey  
“Back to Basics: A Case for Analog Learning”

- 1:00 Gabriella Gentile  
“The Interiority of Combat: Using Oral History to Recover the Immigrant Experience in WWI”
- 1:25 Mikayla Ormsby  
“An Unwritten Story: Folklore and Oral Tradition in the Classroom”
- 1:50 Amanda Reymaniak  
“Teaching the Cold War in American Classrooms: Challenges and Strategies”
- 2:15 Ethan Witt  
“Debating Debate: The Role of Argumentation in Social Studies Classrooms”
- 2:40 Dustin Lair  
“Listen with Your Three Ears: Using Indigenous Methods to Teach Indigenous History”
- 3:05 Lucas Jensen  
“Religion in the Classroom”
- 3:30 Carson Garcia  
“More than a Game: Teaching the Cold War Through Sport”

- 10:35 Luciano Fiorello  
“Artificial Intelligence and Social Studies: Opportunity or Risk?”
- 11:00 Zander Brown  
“The Value of Debate in Social Studies?”
- 11:25 Georgia Belrose  
“From Community to Classroom: The Power of Local History in the Social Studies Classroom”

***Congratulations to all the presenters!***

**Thank you to everyone attending for  
your support.**

