



Open Classroom Series | Spring Semester 2012

# Food & American Society: An Urban Perspective

*What we eat, why, where it comes from, and how it all matters, everyday*



Wednesday evenings, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

January 11—April 18

West Village F, Room 20

*Free and Open to the Public*

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## COURSE SCHEDULE:

### January

- 11 Why Food? Why the Focus on the City?
- 18 Where our Food Comes From
- 25 Feeding the City: Food as a Business

### February

- 1 Local and Global
- 8 Providing Access to Healthy Foods
- 15 Food, Ecology, Democracy, Justice: What We Eat Matters
- 22 What We Eat: the Role of Culture
- 29 Feeding Boston: The View from the Front Lines

### March

- 7 Spring Break—No Class
- 14 How Food is Produced: Agriculture in America and in Massachusetts
- 21 Who Produces our Food: Farmers, Migrant Workers, and the Food Service Industry
- 28 Environmental Challenges to Our Food Safety

### April

- 4 Food and Health: The Obesity Epidemic
- 11 Food and Health: Changing Lifestyles
- 18 Reconnecting Farmers and Consumers
- 25 Future of Food: Educating the Next Generation

## The Open Classroom Policy Series

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