



## Texas History for Teachers

Unit and lesson plans, student activities, video lectures, and primary sources, freely available for Texas History Educators. Currently under active development and provided by [The Portal to Texas History](#).

# TEXAS HISTORY FOR TEACHERS (TX4T) CLASSROOM RESOURCES

July 7–8, 2026 • 10:00–11:30 a.m. CT

## HUMANITIES TEXAS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR SERIES

### TUESDAY, JULY 7

10:00–11:30 a.m.

#### **Getting to Know the Texas History for Teachers Project**

This session will cover the ideas and approaches behind the Texas History for Teachers Project, explore the educational philosophies behind how curriculum materials are developed, explore the site's organization, and demonstrate the variety of materials available for social studies classrooms.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

10:00–11:30 a.m.

#### **Using the Texas History for Teachers Project in Your Classroom**

This session will cover how to bring TX4T resources into your classroom. Breaking down the content for particular units, the webinar will explore specific lessons, resources, videos, virtual field trips, and other available materials. Participants will learn in-depth how to use TX4T materials most effectively in the classroom and for students' needs.

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**COURTNEY ABUBAKAR** is the curriculum developer for the Texas History for Teachers Project with the University of North Texas. She earned her bachelor of arts and sciences in history from the University of North Texas and her master of arts in history from Texas State University. She spent eight years teaching seventh-grade Texas history for Wichita Falls ISD where she developed a passion for creating fun and engaging learning materials to meet the diverse needs of students in the classroom. She is excited to be working with the Texas History for Teachers Project to create a rich Texas history curriculum that is freely available to educators and students.

**ANDREW TORGET** is a historian of nineteenth-century North America at the University of North Texas, where he holds the University Distinguished Teaching Professorship. An award-winning speaker, he has been featured at Harvard, Stanford, Rice, Duke, Johns Hopkins, and the Library of Congress. The author or editor of five books, his most recent, *Seeds of Empire*, won twelve book prizes and awards and was hailed by *Texas Monthly* as “the most nuanced and authoritative rewriting of Texas’s origin myth to date.” In 2018, he set a Guinness World Record for the World’s Longest History Lesson, which was seen online by more than 30 million people. *The Dallas Morning News* named him a finalist for their “Texan of the Year” award in 2021 for the “uncommon, inspirational impact” of his work, and the Whiting Foundation awarded him their Public Engagement Fellowship in 2022. In 2023, he served as a U.S. Fulbright Scholar to Germany and visiting professor of history at the University of Bremen, where he was named a finalist for the Berninghausen Prize for Outstanding Teaching.