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Monday, June 15 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	-----	George Washington: Defining the Presidency <i>Lindsay M. Chervinsky, Institute for Thomas Paine Studies</i>
Tuesday, June 16 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	-----	Alexander Hamilton and the Development of the U.S. Economic System <i>Kate Elizabeth Brown, Western Kentucky University</i>
Wednesday, June 17 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	-----	Thomas Jefferson and the Rise of Political Parties <i>Denver Brunzman, George Washington University</i>
Thursday, June 18 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	-----	American Society During the Founding Period <i>Zara Anishanslin, University of Delaware</i>
Friday, June 19 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	-----	Establishing the Federal Judiciary <i>Joseph F. Kobylka, Southern Methodist University</i>

Image: *Washington Crossing the Delaware* by Emanuel Leutze, 1851. Gift of John Stewart Kennedy, 1897. The Metropolitan Museum of Art.

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