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I was trained as a U.S. urban historian and have since turned to the scholarship of the U.S. in the World to study American empire and the Philippines. My current project illustrates that settler migration programs, first devised by agents of the American colonial state, not only materially dispossessed Indigenous Filipinos, but established the logics of settler entitlement that have served as an alibi for extractive political economies and their attendant inequalities. I have worked at a community college for 21 years where I teach U.S. and transnational history and run pedagogy seminars for graduate students in the CUNY system. I am also active in the faculty union chapter and have served as its secretary or vice president for at least 15 years. I am currently finishing a three-year term on the executive committee of the Organization of American Historians and believe that democracy must be defended in our professional organizations.