

## Primary Source for Life through the Lens: Food, People, and Photography

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Professor Dino Chiecchi was born and raised in El Paso, Texas. He is a former journalist. As a professor, he teaches a multitude of classes to undergraduates including digital photography and advanced digital photography. Professor Chiecchi will help us understand how photographers aim to raise awareness about social issues through the lens of a camera and how the inclusion and exclusion of food, on the photographer's part, can reveal information that may be implied in a photograph though not explicitly presented to the audience. To highlight issues pertaining to famine, food distribution, poverty, and war in the El Paso and Ciudad Juárez border area, we will be taking a closer look at a handful of historical photos from this border region and analyzing the technical aspects of the photos including their composition and how a contemporary audience might perceive pictures of our past and, therefore, relate to them in the present.