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Professor Mark Thomas to speak on Wilson and the income tax

STAUNTON, VA – Join the WWPL in welcoming Professor Mark Thomas for a discussion on Wilson and the income tax, starting at 7 P.M. on Monday, April 15.

On October 7, 1913, Woodrow Wilson signed legislation that initiated the modern income tax. On this tax day, 120 years later, our speaker asks, what precisely was Mr. Wilson's role in establishing this much loathed and feared fiscal instrument?

Mark Thomas is Professor of History and Economics at the University of Virginia. His area of specialty is modern economic and business history. A native Briton, Thomas received his BA from Oxford University, holds an MA in Economics from Cornell University, and completed his D.Phil. at Nuffield College, Oxford. Outside of academics, he enjoys reading detective novels, listening to jazz and classical music, playing cricket and croquet, and spending time with his wife, Georgi Tomisato, his children and grandchildren.

This event is FREE, but [donations are appreciated!](#) This presentation will be held at the Woodrow Wilson Archives & Research Center at 325 E. Beverley St, and will also be available virtually via Zoom. [Please register on the Woodrow Wilson website here.](#)

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