

## **Ang 6930: Migration in the Neoliberal Age**

Fall 2007

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Graduate Seminar

Meets: W: 9: 35 – 12:35 (in CBD 0338)

Office Hrs: W: 4-5:30

If globalization involves the international expansion of markets and market relations and the global pursuit of economic liberalism, central factor in these processes has been the commodification of human labor. Globalization, it has been argued, assembles an increasing proportion of the world population directly into capitalist labor markets and fastens national and regional labor markets into transnational labor regimes. The arsenal of changes – administrative, institutional, political and economic – that underwrite this process have been variously termed the “neoliberal turn”. Neoliberal global interventions mark a shift in the management of populations and the administration of spaces in that they appear as nonpolitical and nonideological problem-solving projects, driven “purely” by market calculations. Yet, new alignments of sovereign rule, market rationality and regimes of citizenship have emerged as a result of these processes in the last 25 years that have a profound impact on social life.

This graduate seminar will attempt to understand the above developments as the new conditions and the conditioning of international migration. In particular, readings for this seminar focus on how contemporary welfare and labor regimes, claims on citizenship rights, immigration rules, public debates, and interethnic and racial experience inform the movement of people by controlling their bodies, subjectivities, social life, health, and labor. As anthropologists we will also focus on the institutions, practices, and ideologies that immigrants themselves employ to organize their lives before and after migration.

And while variety of ethnographic research is used, the seminar aims before all to provide students with a more grounded theoretical and empirical perspective on the contemporary conditions within which human mobility occurs. Topics discussed include, but are not limited to, transnationalism, the recuperation of overseas populations into cultural nationalist framework, the questions of borderlands and movement across borders, undocumented migration, refugees, global reproductive labor, and human trafficking. We aim at working out an approach to migration, informed by humanity, agency and rights of the poor.

## **Week 1 - Aug 29: Introduction**

## **Week 2 - Sep 5. The Genealogy of Neoliberalism as a Concept**

Friedrich Hayek, 1960. *The Constitution of Liberty*. (Selection from *Part III: Freedom and the Welfare State*)

Milton Friedman 1962. *Capitalism and Freedom*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Chapter 1 [Available at <http://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/intrel/ipe/friedman.htm>]

Gary Becker, 1993. "Human Capital Revisited". In: *Human Capital*, University of Chicago Press [see also: <http://www.econlib.org/library/Enc/HumanCapital.html>]

Theodoros Papaioannou, 2003. "Exclusion and Requirement of Substantive Politics Market Order and Justice in Hayek's Political Theory" In: *Social Science Information*; 42; 229 [Available on the web]

## **Week 3 – Sep 12. Classic Diagnoses and Contemporary Problems**

Karl Polanyi, 1944. "Self Protection of Society". In: *The Great Transformation*. Beacon Press. Pp.:130-249

Hannah Arendt, 1958. *The Human Condition*.. University of Chicago Press. Pp. 7-17, 79-135

Michel Foucault, 1991. "Governmentality". In: *The Foucault Effect*. Burchell, Gordon and Miller (Eds.) University of Chicago Press. Pp. 87-104

## **Week 4 – Sep 19. Political Power beyond the State**

Pierre Bourdieu, 1998. "The Essence of Neoliberalism". In: *Le Monde Diplomatique*. [Available on the web at: <http://mondediplo.com/1998/12/08bourdieu>]

Peter Miller and Nikolas Rose, 1992. "Political Power Beyond the State". In: *British Journal of Sociology*, 43/2. Pp. 172-205 [Available on the web].

David Harvey, 2005. "Freedom's Just Another Word", and "The Neoliberal State". In: *Neoliberalism*. Oxford U Press. Pp. 5-38, 64-86.

## **Week 5 – Sep 26. Neoliberalism as Social Phenomenon**

Comaroff and Comaroff, 2000. Millennial Capitalism: First Thoughts on a Second Coming. In: *Public Culture* 12.2 291-343 [Available on the web]

Gill, Stephen, 1995. "Globalisation, Market Civilisation, and Disciplinary Neoliberalism. In: *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, Volume 24, Number 3, 1 Dec. pp. 399-423(25) [Reader]

David Harvey. 1990, c1989. *The Condition of Postmodernity*. Blackwell, Chapters 7-11, 17 (pp. 121-189 and 308-326)

## **Week 6 – Oct 3. Globalization: Testing the New Order**

Adjure Appadurai. 1998. "Disjuncture and Difference" and "Global Ethnoscapes". In: *Modernity at Large*. University of Minnesota Press (Chapters 2,3).

Basch, L Schiller, N. Blanc K. (Eds.) 1994. *Nations Unbound: Transnational Projects and Deterritorialized Nation-States*. Gordon and Breach Science Publishers. (Chapters 1, 2, 4).

Saskia Sassen, 1996. Immigration Tests the New Order. From: *Losing Control? Sovereignty in an Age of Globalization*. (59-100)

### *Recommended:*

Massey, Douglas et al. 1993. "Theories of International Migration: A Review and Appraisal." In: *Population and Development Review* 19(3):431-46.

Portes, A. and J. Borocz. 1989. Contemporary Immigration: Theoretical Perspectives on its Determinants and Modes of Incorporation. In: *International Migration Review* 23: 606-629.

Portes, A., L. Guarnizo and P. Landolt, 1999. "The Study of Transnationalisms: pitfalls and promise of an emergent research field." In: *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 22:217-237.

Nancy Foner, 1997. "What's New about Transnationalism? New York Immigrants Today and at the Turn of the Century." *Diaspora* 6: 355-375.

Kivisto, P. 2001. "Theorizing Transnational Immigration: a critical review of current efforts." In: *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 24: 549-577.

Steven Vertovec, 1999. Conceiving and Researching Transnationalism. In: *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 22: 447-462.

**Alternative Mid-term assignment:**

Find Publications either on the IMF, WB or WTO web pages on the region/country/topic of your interest. Link these to migration and present a critical appraisal of these documents.

The World Development Reports [Available on the web through <http://www.worldbank.org/>]

**Week 7 – Oct 10. Markets, States and Labor**

Aihwa Ong, 2006. “Latitudes, or How Markets Stretched the Bounds of Governmentality”. In: *Neoliberalism as Exception*. Duke University Press. (Chapter 5)

Manuel Castells, 1996. “The Transformation of Work and Employment: Networkers, Jobless, and Fleximers”. In: *The Rise of the Network Society*. Blackwell. (pp. 201-272)

Saskia Sassen. 1998. “The Informal Economy.” From: *Globalization and Its Discontents*. The New Press (pp. 153-169)

David Harvey, 1989. *The Condition of Postmodernity*. Blackwell, Chapters 7-11, 17 (pp. 121-189 and 308-326)

*Recommended:*

Jing Shao, 2006. “Fluid Labor and Blood Money: The Economy of HIV/AIDS in Rural Central China”. In: *Cultural Anthropology* Vol 21 (4)

Menjívar, Cecilia. 2000. *Fragmented Ties: Salvadorean Immigrant Networks in America*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press

**Week 8 – Oct 17. Global Technologies of Governing**

**Mid-term due!!!**

Michael Hardt and Antonio Negri. 2000. “Biopolitical Production”, “Passages of Sovereignty”, and “Capitalist Sovereignty”. In: *Empire*. Harvard University Press. (Chapters 1.2, Part 2, 3.6 )

Ferguson, James, and Akhil Gupta. 2002. "Spatializing States: Toward an Ethnography of Neoliberal Governmentality". In: *American Ethnologist* 29(4):981-1002. [Available on the web].

Okongwu, Anne Francis, and Joan P. Mencher, 2000. "The Anthropology of Public Policy: Shifting Terrains. In: *Annual Review of Anthropology* 29(1):107-124. [Available on the web]

## **Week 9 – Oct. 24. (Dis)Articulations of Citizenship**

T.H. Marshall. 1998. "Citizenship and Social Class" In: *The Citizenship Debates: A Reader*. Gershon Shafir, Ed. U of Minnesota Press. Pp. 93-112

Andrew Moravcsik, 2000. "The Origins of Human Rights Regimes: Democratic Delegation in Postwar Europe". In: *International Organization* 54(2), Spring. Pp. 217–252

Stephen Castels and Alastair Davidson, 2000. *Citizenship and Migration*. Routledge, NY. (Chapters 1, 7, 9)

## **Week 10 – Oct 31. Mutations in Citizenship**

Aihwa Ong. 2000. "Ecologies of Expertise: Assembling Flows, Managing Citizenship". In: *Global Assemblages: Technology, Politics, and Ethics as Anthropological Problems*. A. Ong and S.J. Collier (Eds). Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing.

Jurgen Habermas, 2001. "Why Europe Needs a Constitution". *New Left Review*, Sept. – Oct. (Pp. 5-27). [Available on the web]

Gerald Delanty, 2000. *Citizenship in a Global Age: Society, Culture, Politics*. Buckingham, UK Open University Press. (Part 3).

Brett Bowden, 2003. "The Perils of Global Citizenship". In: *Citizenship Studies*. 7/3 (Pp. 349-62) [Available on the web]

### *Recommended:*

Kofman, E. and K. England. 1997. "Citizenship and International Migration." In: *Environment and Planning*. A 29: 195-248.

## **Week 11 – Nov 7. The Permutations of Sovereignty**

Saskia Sassen. 1996. "The State and the New Geography of Power". In: *Loosing control*. CUP (Pp1-30)

Mahmood Mandani, 1996. *Citizen and Subject: Contemporary Africa and the Legacy of Late Colonialism*. Princeton University Press. (Introduction)

James Ferguson, 2005. "Seeing Like an Oil Company: Space, Security, and Global Capital in Neoliberal Africa". In: *American Anthropologist* 107(3):377-382.

Aihwa Ong, 2006. "Graduated Sovereignty". In: *Neoliberalism as Exception*. Duke University Press. (Chapter 3)

### *Recommended:*

Hansen, Thomas Blom & Finn Stepputat, 2006. "Sovereignty Revisited". In: *Annual Reviews of Anthropology*, Vol 35: 295-315

Slavoj Zizek, 2004. "From Politics to Biopolitics... and Back". In: *South Atlantic Quarterly* 103: 2/3, Spring/Summer.

## **Week 12 – Nov 14: Migration and the Politics of the Excluded**

Giorgio Agamben. 1998. "Biopolitics and the Rights of Man," "The Camp as the Nomos of the Modern". In: *Homo Sacer: Sovereign Power and Bare Life*. Stanford University Press (Pp. 127-135, 166-180).

Aihwa Ong, 2006. "A Biocartography". In: *Neoliberalism as Exception*. Duke University Press. (Chapter 9)

Miriam Ticktin, 2006. where Ethics and Politics Meet: the Violence of Humanitarianism in France. In: *American Ethnologist*. 33, No. 1. (Pp. 33-49).

Nicholas De Genova. 2002. Migrant "Illegality" and Deportability in Every Day Life. In: *Annual Review of Anthropology* 31, 419-47. [Available on the web].

Liisa Malkki. 1996. "Speechless Emissaries: Refugees, Humanitarianism, and Dehistoricization". In: *Cultural Anthropology*.

### *Recommended:*

Talal Asad, 2000. "What do Human Rights Do? An Anthropological Inquiry". In: *Theory*

& *Event*, Vol 4 (4)

Peter Redfield, 2006. "Humanitarianism, Mediation and Intervention: Collective Advocacy and Motivated Truth in a Medical Humanitarian movement". In: *American Ethnologist* Vol 33 (1)

Adriana Petryna, 2005. "Ethical Viability, Drug Development and Globalizing Clinical Trials". In: *American Ethnologist*, Vol 32 (2)

Khosler, K. 2002. "From Refugees to Transnational Communities." In: *New Approaches to Migration*. Nadje Al-Ali and Khalid Koser, (Eds.). Pp. 138-151.

### **Week 13 – Nov 21: How to Belong? Migration, Race, Class and Gender**

Philippe Bourgois. 1995. *In Search of Respect: Selling Crack in El Barrio*. Cambridge University Press. (Chapters 1 and 6)

Carla Freeman. 1993. Designing Women: Corporate Discipline and Barbados's Off-shore Pink-collar Sector. From: *Cultural Anthropology* 169-86 (also published in *The Anthropology of Globalization*) (pp. 169-186)

Kristen Hill Maher. 2004. Globalized Social Reproduction: Women Migrants and the Citizenship Gap. In: *People out of Place: Globalization, Human Rights and the Citizenship Gap*. Alison Bryck & Gershon Shafir (Eds.) Routledge.

#### *Recommended:*

Fassin, Didier 2005: "Compassion and Repression: The Moral Economy of Immigration Policies in France" in *Cultural Anthropology* Vol 20 (3)

Forthcoming: Stefania Pandolfo, 2007. "The Burning: Finitude and the Politico-theological Imagination of Illegal Immigration". In: *Anthropological Theory*. Special issue on Religion and Globalization.

### **Week 14 – Nov 28. "Women under Fire"**

Kamala Kempadoo. Globalizing Sex Worker's Rights. Introduction. From: *Global Sex Workers*, and 2005. "From moral Panic to Global Justice: Changing Perspectives on Trafficking" In: *Trafficking and Prostitution Reconsidered*. Kempadoo (Ed.) Paradigm Publishers. Pp. vii - xxxiv

O'Connell Davidson, J., 2001b: 'The sex tourist, the expatriate, his ex-wife and her 'Other': The politics of loss, difference and desire'. *Sexualities*. Vol. 4, No.1, pp. 5-24. [Available on the web].

Macklin, Audrey 2003. Dancing Across Borders: Exotic dancers, trafficking and Canadian Immigration. In: *International Migration Review*. New York: Summer 2003. Vol. 37 464. [Available on the web].

Parrenas, Rhacel 2001. Servants of Globalization: Women, Migration and Domestic Work. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.

*Recommended:*

Mahler, S. and Pessar, P. 2001. Gendered Geographies of Power: Analyzing Gender Across Transnational Spaces. In: *Identities* 7: 441-459.

Kempadoo, K. 2001. Women of Color and the Global Sex Trade: Transnational Feminist Perspectives. In: *Meridians* 1: 38-51.

Fouon, Georges and N. Glick Schiller. 2001. All in the Family: Gender, Transnational Migration and the Nation-State. In: *Identities* 7:539-582.

## **Week 15 – Dec 5: Discussion of Students' Papers**

Appadurai, A. 2000. "Grassroots Globalization and the Research Imagination". From: *Public Culture* 12(1) 1-19 [Available on the web].

George Marcus, 1995. "Ethnography in/of the World System: The Emergence of Multi-Sited Ethnography". In: *Annual Review of Anthropology*. 24(1):95-117.