

Understanding identities and making of Citizens in the Globalized World

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The course will examine some perspectives and debates on citizenship and identities in globalised world. The course intends to interrogate the everyday uses of "citizen" and "citizenship", keeping in mind the immigration debate in global north and its implications to global south. The aim of this course is to provide an introduction to historical, socio-cultural, and political discussions of citizenship, identity formation and its link with local communities, community at large, and the nation-states.

Assessment:

4 -5 Short notes of 3-4 pages on specific theme(s) and readings
Term paper (topic to be determined after discussion).

Disclaimer: more readings may be added after consultation with students

Themes:

1. Understanding Identity and Ethnicity

- Anderson, Benedict (1991), *Imagined Communities: Reflections on the Origin and Spread of Nationalism* (Revised Edition), London & NY, Verso.
- Apiah, A. Kwame (2006), "The Politics of Identity", *Daedalus*, Fall 2006, Vol. 135, No. 4, pp.15-22.
- Bilgrami, Akeel (2006), "Notes Towards the Definition of 'Identity'", *Daedalus*, Fall 2006, Vol. 135, No. 4, pp. 5-14.
- Boege, Volker et al (2008), *On Hybrid Political and Emerging States: State Formation in the Context of 'Fragility'*, Berghof Research Centre for Constructive Conflict Management, Berlin.
- Cerulo, A. Karen (1997), "Identity Construction: New Issues, New Directions", *Annual Review of Sociology*, 1997, Vol. 23, pp. 385-409.
- Connor, Walker (1992), "The Nation and its Myth", in Smith, D. Anthony, *Ethnicity and Nationalism*, Leiden, NY & Köln, E.J. Brill Publisher, pp. 48-57. 66

- Cressida, Heyes (2009), "Identity Politics", The Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy (Spring 2009 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), Available Online: <http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2009/entries/identity-politics>, accessed 20 March 2011
- Hobsbawm, Eric (1996), "Identity Politics and the Left", New Left Review, May-June 1996, Vol. I/217, pp. 38-47.
- Hollinger, A. David (2006), "From Identity to Solidarity", Daedalus, Fall 2006, Vol. 135, No. 4, pp.23-31.
- Honneth, Axel (1995), The Struggle for Recognition: The Moral Grammar of Social Conflict, Cambridge, Polity Press. Hutchinson, John & Smith, D. Anthony (1996), Ethnicity, Oxford & NY, Oxford University Press.

2. The Social Construction of Identity and Ethnicity

- Barth, Frederik. 1969. Ethnic Groups and Boundaries. Waveland Press. introduction, pp. 1-38.
- Hobsbawm, Eric. 1992. The Invention of Tradition. London: Cambridge University Press. Pp. 1-14.
- Brubaker, Rogers. 2004. "Ethnicity Without Groups," in Ethnicity Without Groups. Cambridge: Harvard University Press. pp. 7-27.
- Brass, Paul. 1991. Ethnicity and Nationalism New Delhi: Sage Publisher.

3. Situational and Multiple Identities

- Hutchinson John, Ethnicity and modern nations Ethnic and Racial Studies, 23:4, 651-669,
- Rao, Aparna, 1999 The Many Sources of Identity, Ethnic and Racial Studies 22:1 January pp. 56-91.
- Madan, T. N 1998 Coping with South Asian Identities, Ethnic and Racial Studies, 21:4, 969-989.
- Burton Jonathan, Alita Nandi & Lucinda Platt 2010 Measuring Identity Ethnic and Racial Studies, 33:8, 1332-1349

4. Conceptualizing immigration and citizenship debates

- Michael Walzer (1983), Chapter 2 (p. 31-63): "Membership," in Spheres of Justice. New York: Basic Books.
- Asylum and the Common: Mediations between Foucault, Agamben and Esposito Serene John-Richards
- The Principle of Hospitality, Jacques Derrida: Interview

- Hannah Arendt on the Stateless Richard J. Bernstein Published online: 05 Aug 2006
- Linda Bosniak (2006), Chapter 6 (p. 122-140): "Separated Spheres: Citizenship and Its Conundrums," in *The Citizen and the Alien: Dilemmas of Contemporary Membership*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.
- John Torpey (2000), Chapter 1 (p. 4-20): "Coming and Going: On the State Monopolization of the Legitimate 'Means of Movement,'" in *The Invention of the Passport: Surveillance, Citizenship and the State*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Tomas Hammar (1990), Chapter 1 (p. 9-25): "Three Entrance Gates into the New Country" [optional: Chapter 2 (p. 26-40): "Membership of State and Nation"], in *Democracy and the Nation State: Aliens, Denizens, and Citizens in a World of International Migration*. Aldershot, UK: Avebury.
- T. H. Marshall (1950), "Citizenship and Social Class" [excerpt], p. 93-110 in Gershon Shafir, ed. (1998), *The Citizenship Debates: A Reader*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

5. Why do People Move and Seek Membership Elsewhere?

- Economic Considerations and Social Networks UN Human Development Report, 2009, Chapter 2, sections 2.1 and 2.2. Full report available at: <http://hdr.undp.org/en/reports/global/hdr2009/>.
- Sassen, Saskia. 1998. America's Immigration 'Problem.' Pp. 31-53 in *Globalization and Its Discontents: Essays on the New Mobility of People and Money*. New York: New Press.
- Massey, Douglas S. 1999. "Why Does Immigration Occur? A Theoretical Synthesis." Pp. 34-52 in *The Handbook of International Migration: The American Experience*, edited by C. Hirschman, P. Kasinitz and J. DeWind. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

6. Membership, Belonging and Legal Status – Refugees

- Zetter, Roger. 1991. "Labelling Refugees: Forming and Transforming a Bureaucratic Identity." *Journal of Refugee Studies* 4(1).
- Brown, Hana E. 2011. "Refugees, Rights, and Race: How Legal Status Shapes Liberian Immigrants' Relationship with the State." *Social Problems* 58(1): 144-163.

7. Contesting Citizenship I

- Shachar, Ayelet. 2009. *The Birthright Lottery: Citizenship and Global Inequality*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press.

8. Contesting Citizenship II

- Stevens, Jaqueline. 2010 *States without Nations: Citizenship for Mortals*. New York: Columbia University Press. Read ch. 1 2 and 8
- Young, Iris Marion. 1994. "Policy and Group Difference: A Critique of the Ideal of Universal Citizenship," in Ronald Beiner ed. *Theorizing Citizenship*. Albany: State University of New York Press. Pp. 175-207.