

Migration and Race in Modern and Contemporary Europe – 2022

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Module outline

This course will equip you to think critically about contemporary issues related to “Migration and Race in Europe” by tracing their historical roots with a focus on the XX century.

We’ll start with the study of how the concepts of “migration” as we know it, “race” and racism, and “Europe” itself have been socially produced across history. Then we’ll then analyse different forms of migration over the course of the XX century and up to the present, and finally we’ll explore key contemporary issues around migration and race in different European contexts in a historical context.

Formative assessment

- F1 Map exercise
- F2 Timeline exercise
- F3 Keywords exercise

Summative assessment

- S1 Structured Essay

“How have today’s commonplace/commonsensical ideas of 1) **Europe** 2) **race** and 3) **migration** been invented and produced historically?” Discuss each of the three components of this question with reference to at least five compulsory readings covered in the course in 2000 words maximum. Please copy the question as the title of the essay, cite each source properly in the text of the essay and include a list of references at the end.

- S2 Research Essay

Choose a **specific location** or a **spatial connection** between two or more locations (at any scale including at least part of what can be arguably considered “Europe”, based on your proposed argument) and a **time frame** (any timeframe including at least part of the XX century, with the option of extending the time frame to the present), then ask a **research question** that concerns any form of human migration to or within “Europe”, and have the selection of your research spatiotemporal context and question confirmed after consulting with the instructor. Once your research topic (context and question) is set, **answer your own question and the following one** in writing: “How have ideas of race, borders and belonging been invented and produced by different subjects and/or groups of subjects in this context?” Write down your own question as the title of the essay, then copy the second question as a subtitle. Discuss the two questions with reference to at least 3 primary sources and 7 secondary sources in 3000 words maximum. Please cite each source properly in the text of the essay and include a list of references at the end.

Schedule (detailed reading plan starts on the next page):

Part 1 – Introduction to the Course: Europe, Race, Migration

Part 2 – The Invention and Production of “Europe”

Part 3 – The Invention and Production of “Race”

Part 4 – The Invention and Production of “Migration” as we know it

Part 5 – Migration and Race in Colonial & Post-Colonial Europe (Foundational Thinking Tools)

Part 6 – Migration and Race in Colonial & Post-Colonial Europe (XX Century)

Part 7 – Migration and Race in Post-Colonial Europe (XXI Century)

Part 8 – Migration and Race in Europe Today

Part 9 – Migration and Race in Europe Tomorrow

Zoom-in (choose one or more specific focus):

- **Diasporic Communities in Berlin**
- **Southern Europe and the Mediterranean**
- **London/Britain and Blackness**
- **Islam and Migration in France, Belgium and the Netherlands**

Weekly readings and exercises plan:

■ Part 1 – Introduction to the Course: Europe, Race, Migration

(*) **James Harkin**, “ ‘We thought we’d die’ – after their treacherous journeys, what awaits the refugees landing on British beaches?” in *The Guardian* (5 February 2022)

(*) And two more articles. Please refer to “Teaching Material”.

■ Part 2 – The Invention and Production of “Europe”

(*) **Stuart Hall**, “The West and the Rest: Discourse and Power”, Chapter 6 in Stuart Hall and Brab Gieben, eds. *Formations of Modernity* (Polity Press, 1992) pp.275-318 ***Available for free online: http://philosophy.com/UPLOADS/_PHILOSOCIOLOGY.ir_Formations%20of%20Modernity%20Understanding%20Modern%20Societies%20_An%20Introduction%20.pdf

■ Part 3 – The Invention and Production of “Race”

(*) – **Sven Lindqvist**, *Exterminate All the Brutes*, (The New Press, 1990): pp.122-172 (very small and not dense pages) - Available for free online:

https://www.sweetstudy.com/sites/default/files/qx/16/10/25/02/exterminate_all_the_brutes_0.pdf

■ Part 4 – The Invention and Production of “Migration” as we know it.

(*) - **Casas-Cortes, M., Cobarrubias, S., Genova, N. D., Garelli, G., Grappi, G., Heller, C., ... Tazzioli, M.** ‘Migration/Migration Studies’ (just two pages, TBC pp. 61-63) in “New Keywords: Migration and Borders” (*Cultural Studies*, 29:1, 2015). ***Available online:

https://research.gold.ac.uk/id/eprint/11280/1/POL-SOC-VIS_PezzaniScheelTazzioli-et-al_2014.pdf

John Torpey, “The Great War and the Birth of the Modern Passport System” pp. 256-270 in Jane Caplan and John Torpey, *Documenting Individual Identity: The Development of State Practices in the Modern World* (Princeton University Press (2001) Available online:

https://www.jstor.org/stable/j.ctv301fxj?turn_away=true&Search=yes&resultItemClick=true&searchText=Torpey%2C+J.+The+invention+of+the+passport&searchUri=%2Faction%2FdoBasicSearch%3FQuery%3DTorpey%252C%2BJ.%2BThe%2Binvention%2Bof%2Bthe%2Bpassport%2B%26so%3Drel&ab_segments=0%2Fbasic_search_gsv2%2Fcontrol&refreqid=fastly-default%3A75fd98b3b404fb4314a1c127961a6a44

■ **Part 5** – Migration and Race in Colonial & Post-Colonial Europe (Foundational Thinking Tools)

F1 Informal Map Exercise

(*) - **Hein De Haas, Stephen Castles and Mark Miller**, Selections from Chapters 1, 2 and 3 of *The Age of Migration: International Population Movements in the Modern World* (Palgrave MacMillan [1991] 2013):

- from “Chapter 1: Introduction” – just pp.5-13 (many images, so 4.5 pages to read);
- from “Chapter 2: Theories of Migration” – just the Conclusion, pp.51-53 (2.5 pages to read);
- from “Chapter 3: How Migration Transforms Societies” – read carefully pp.55-74, and at least skim the rest.

■ **Part 6** – Migration and Race in Colonial & Post-Colonial Europe (XX Century)

F2 Informal Timeline Exercise

(*) - **Hein De Haas, Stephen Castles and Mark Miller**, *The Age of Migration: International Population Movements in the Modern World*, “International Migration before 1945” pp.93-116 & “Migration in Europe since 1945”, pp. 117-144 ([1991] 2013)

■ **Part 7** – Migration and Race in Post-Colonial Europe (XXI Century)

F3 Informal Keywords Exercise

(*) – **Nicholas De Genova**, “The Borders of “Europe” and the European Question” In N. De Genova (Ed.), *The borders of “Europe”: autonomy of migration, tactics of bordering* (pp. 1–24). Durham; London: Duke University Press, 2017). Available online:
https://www.dukeupress.edu/Assets/PubMaterials/978-0-8223-6916-5_601.pdf

■ **Part 8** – Migration and Race in Post-Colonial Europe Today

(*) **Martina Tazzioli**, “Crimes of solidarity. Migration and containment through rescue” in *Radical Philosophy* (2:1 2018) pp. 4 – 10. Available for free online:
<https://www.radicalphilosophy.com/commentary/crimes-of-solidarity#:~:text=Crimes%20of%20solidarity%20put%20in,visible%20and%20escalating%20border%20violence.>

(*) **Charles Heller, Lorenzo Pezzani, & Maurice Stierl** “Disobedient Sensing and Border Struggles at the Maritime Frontier of Europe” in *Spheres. Journal for digital cultures*:4 (2017) pp. 1-13. Available for free online: <https://spheres-journal.org/contribution/disobedient-sensing-and-border-struggles-at-the-maritime-frontier-of-europe/>

Extra book, for your reference: Iain Chambers, “Chapter 2: A Postcolonial Sea” in *Mediterranean Crossings* (Durham: Duke University Press, 2008) pp. 23-49.

■ Part 9 – Migration and Race in Post-Colonial Europe Tomorrow

Monday, 16 May + seminar on Tuesday, 17 May

(*) - **Chakrabarty, Dipesh**. *Provincializing Europe: Postcolonial Thought and Historical Difference* (Princeton University Press, 2008) “Provincializing Europe?” selection from Chapter 1, pp.42-46 only (4 pages). ATTACHED.

(*) - **Fatima El-Tayeb**. *European Others: Queering Ethnicity in Post-National Europe*. (University of Minnesota Press, 2011). Introduction. (pp. xi – xxxix = in Roman numbers, 11-39, so 28 pages)

***Will be available online.

Zoom-in (choose one or more specific focus):

■ **Diasporic Communities in Berlin:**

(*) **Ruth Mandel**, “We called for labor, but people came instead!” in *Cosmopolitan Anxieties: Turkish Challenges to Citizenship and Belonging in Germany* (Durham, NC: Duke University Press 2008), pp. 51-79 (skim whatever you see fit, if needed, but look at everything). ATTACHED.

(*) **Richard Mole**, “Rethinking Diaspora: Queer Poles, Brazilians and Russians in Berlin” in Mole, Richard ed. *Queer Migration and Asylum in Europe* (London: UCL Press, 2021) pp.57-77 (focus on 57-65, so 8 pages, just skim/look at the rest). ATTACHED.

The whole book is available for free online:

<https://discovery.ucl.ac.uk/id/eprint/10122168/1/Queer-Migration-and-Asylum-in-Europe.pdf>

■ **Southern Europe and the Mediterranean:**

(*) Read selected pages - **Marcel Maussen**, ‘Islamic Presence and Mosque Establishment in France: Colonialism, Arrangements for Guestworkers and Citizenship’, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* Vol. 33 Issue 6 (2007), pp. 981-987 (6 pages) and skim the rest if you want/can.

(*) Read selected pages - **Corrado, A., Perrotta, D., & De Castro, C.** “Introduction: Cheap food, cheap labour, high profits. Agriculture and mobility in the Mediterranean”, in *Migration and agriculture: mobility and change in the Mediterranean Area* (2016), pp. 1–11 only (11 pages). New York: Routledge.

■ London/Britain and Blackness:

(*) Read - **Paul Gilroy**, *There Ain't No Black in the Union Jack: The Cultural Politics of Race and Nation* (London, 2002), "Introduction: Race is ordinary", (pp. xi-xxxiii = in Roman numbers, pp.11-38, so 26 pages, but small ones - look at everything but skim as needed).

(*) Read selected pages - **Olivette Otele**, *African Europeans: An Untold History* (Hurst Publishers, 2020) Selections: "Introduction" pp.1-12 (11 small pages) and "Epilogue" pp.217-224 (7 small pages). ATTACHED (+ also the table of contents). Also, the book's website: <https://www.hurstpublishers.com/book/african-europeans/>

(*) Read selected pages - **Kennetta Hammond Perry**, "Introduction: Windrush Politics" in *London is the Place for Me: Black Britons, Citizenship, and the Politics of Race* (New York, 2015) pp.1-6 (6 longer pages), skim or just look at the rest if you cans.

■ Islam and Migration in France, Belgium and the Netherlands:

(*) - **Tariq Modood, Ricard Zapata-Barrero and Anna Triandafyllidou** (eds.), *Multiculturalism, Muslims and Citizenship: A European Approach* (London, 2006), pp. 7-13.

(*) - **Marcel Maussen**, 'Islamic Presence and Mosque Establishment in France: Colonialism, Arrangements for Guestworkers and Citizenship', *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* Vol. 33 Issue 6 (2007), pp. 981-987 (6 pages), and skim the rest.

(*) **Caitlin Killian**, "The Other Side of the Veil: North African Women in France Respond to the Headscarf Affair", *Gender and Society* Vol. 17 No. 4 (2003), pp. 567-590.

(*) **Odile Verhaar and Sawitri Saharso**, "The Weight of Context: Headscarves in Holland", *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice* Vol. 7 No. 2 (April 2004), pp. 179-top of page 187 ("Introduction" and "Headscarves for Police Officers", 8 pages) + 194-192 ("Conclusions", 2 pages).

(*) **Keith E. McNeal and Sarah French Brennan**, "Between Homonationalism and Islamophobia: Comparing Caribbean and Muslim Asylum Seeking in/to the Netherlands" in Richard Mole, ed. *Queer Migration and Asylum in Europe* (UCL Press, 2021) First part: pp.162-middle of page 164 till the paragraph break (2 pages) + "Seeking Queer Asylum in the Netherlands" and ending, pp.171-181 (10 pages); Available for free at: <https://discovery.ucl.ac.uk/id/eprint/10122168/1/Queer-Migration-and-Asylum-in-Europe.pdf>

(*) **Gavan Titley** "Introduction - Becoming Symbolic: from *Charlie Hebdo* to 'Charlie Hebdo'" in Gavan Titley, Des Freedman, Gholam Khiabany, Aurélien Mondon, *After Charlie Hebdo: Terror, Racism and Free Speech* (London, 2017), pp.1-30, skimming whatever you need to skim. Available online: <https://www.bloomsbury.com/uk/after-charlie-hebdo-9781783609406/>

Additional Resources:

The Guardian (free): www.guardian.co.uk
The New York Times: www.nytimes.com
The Washington Post: www.washingtonpost.com
Le monde diplomatique: mondediplo.com
The Economist: www.economist.com
Counterpunch: www.counterpunch.org
Al Jazeera: www.aljazeera.com
Perhaps South Asia's best newspaper: www.dawn.com
India's Economic and Political Weekly: <http://www.epw.in>
The South China Morning Post: <http://www.scmp.com>
South Africa's Daily Maverick: dailymaverick.co.za
Truth Out: www.truth-out.org
Democracy Now: www.democracynow.org
The Funambulist: www.thefunambulist.net
Websites that aggregate long-form journalism: longform.org and longreads.com
Blogs and forms of citizen media have been increasingly important, for instance:
Africa is a Country: www.africasacountry.com
Global voices and its founder: www.globalvoices.org and www.ethanzuckerman.com
Dani Rodrik: www.rodrik.typepad.com
John Pilger: www.johnpilger.com
Naomi Klein: www.naomiklein.org
Ram Guha: www.ramachandraguha.in
Derek Gregory: www.geographicaliminations.com
George Monbiot: www.monbiot.com
Laleh Khalili: www.thegamming.org
Social Media for good: www.sm4good.com
Media Lens: www.medialens.org
Global Exchange – Global Econ 101 <http://www.globalexchange.org/resources/econ101>
Partners in Health (Paul Farmer's organization) <http://www.pih.org>
PBS Documentary Films: *Commanding Heights*
<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/commandingheights/lo/credits/>
United Nations – Social Dimensions of Globalization
<http://www.ilo.org/public/english/wcsdg/globali/index.htm>
United Nations HABITAT - State of the World's Cities <http://www.unhabitat.org/>
World Social Forum <http://www.fsm2013.org/en>
U.S. National Intelligence Council – Global Trends
<http://www.dni.gov/index.php/about/organization/national-intelligence-council-global-trends>
Center for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)
<http://www.cepr.net/>
Project Syndicate (great source for op-eds from economists of various stripes)
<http://www.project-syndicate.org/>
Oxfam International – People against Poverty <https://www.oxfam.org/>
Food First (organization supporting farmers and food sovereignty) <http://www.foodfirst.org>
Transnational Institute (covers issues of food, land, economy) <http://www.tni.org/>