

University of Toronto  
Graduate Collaborative Program in Ethnic and Pluralism Studies

**JTH 3000H – F – LEC0101**  
**Ethnic Relations Theory, Research and Policy**  
(Required Seminar in Ethnic and Pluralism Studies Collaborative Graduate Program)  
**Fall Term 2011**

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OUTLINE

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Course website: University of Toronto 'Blackboard' portal: <https://portal.utoronto.ca/>  
Some information posted at: <http://www.utoronto.ca/ethnicstudies/student.html>

**Overview and Objectives**

This course provides theoretic and methodological tools for the interdisciplinary study of ethnic and race relations; it also illustrates their application to specific institutional sectors of society. The first half of the course reviews basic theory and methods for addressing five key topics: ethnic groups and their demography, ethnic status and racism, ethnic communities and the incorporation of ethnic groups into society, ethnic inequality, and ethnic conflict. The second half of the course explores ethnic and race relations within selected institutional settings, and emphasizes the use of research from diverse disciplines in understanding theoretical and policy issues arising in each. The specific institutional settings selected for emphasis will be based on student interest, and may include: employment relations and the workplace, social and medical service delivery, policing and the administration of justice, and citizenship and immigration policy. The focus will be on comparative ethnic and race relations in Canada and other advanced industrial societies including the United States, Europe, and Australia.

**Format of the Course**

Class sessions include lecture presentations, discussions based on required readings, and student presentations. Key issues will be identified, and major recent studies reviewed and evaluated. Session topics are listed below, with corresponding required readings (starred), and suggestions for further study.

Required readings are available at the Library, Short Term Loans department at Robarts, within the Periodical Reading Room. All required readings are also available through the library on line, with url listed in some cases following the entry on the reading list. Updated information is available on the blackboard website noted above.

**Requirements and Evaluation**

Evaluation will be in four parts: a brief 'discipline essay,' a mid-term take-home exam, a 15-20 page paper submitted at the end of the term, and an earlier presentation of work in progress. (1) The discipline essay, roughly 3-5 pages, will describe a particular study of ethnic or race relations selected by students as representative of their own discipline. These essays will be discussed in class (during the first part of the term) and debated from interdisciplinary perspectives. (2) The mid-term exam covers the five basic concepts covered in the first six sessions of the course. (3) The term paper topic may focus either on ethnic relations theory, or on an issue of policy or

professional practice which involves inter-ethnic relations, and should include consideration of the implications of research from at least two disciplines. A one-page proposal (including statement of topic, main questions, and preliminary sources) will be submitted for approval by Oct. 24. (4) The presentation on the term paper will be made in the second half of the term, and will be a progress report on the paper. The presentation is designed to facilitate progress on the paper. Students should prepare an outline either on Powerpoint slides, or handouts distributed in class. Scheduling of presentations will be finalized Oct. 24. Those who present early will have less developed work, and may gain more useful feedback; those who present later will be expected to have more developed work, with less opportunity to incorporate feedback in the final paper.

Weighting and scheduling of each component of evaluation is as follows.

		Assigned	Due
a) Discipline essay	10%	Sept. 12	Oct. 17
b) Mid-term exam	30%	Oct. 24	Oct. 31
c) 15-20 term paper	50%	Sept. 12	Proposal due Oct. 24 Paper due Dec. 9 (Friday after last class)
d) Participation (including term paper presentation)	20%		

Note: the presentation and participation grade will be composed of components as follows: quantity of commentary in class 5%; quality of commentary in class 5%, term paper presentation 10%.

### Session Topics

1. Interdisciplinary Study of Ethnic and Race Relations Sept. 12

#### Part 1. Basic Concepts and Methods

2. Ethnic Groups and their Demography Sept. 19  
 3. Ethnic Communities and the Incorporation of Ethnic Groups into Society Sept. 26  
 4. Ethnic Status and Racism Oct. 3

(Note: University Closed on Thanksgiving, Oct. 10)

5. Ethnic Inequality Oct. 17  
 6. Ethnic Conflict Oct. 24  
 Mid-term exam (take-home) Distributed Oct. 24, due Oct. 31

#### Part 2. Research on Ethnic Relations in Specific Institutions

7. Readings and Student Presentation TBA Oct. 31  
 8. Readings and Student Presentation TBA Nov. 7  
 9. Readings and Student Presentation TBA Nov. 14  
 10. Readings and Student Presentation TBA Nov. 21  
 11. Readings and Student Presentation TBA Nov. 28  
 12. Readings and Student Presentation TBA Dec. 5

## READINGS FOR EACH SESSION

### Important note: Starred (\*) readings are required.

Other readings are supplementary for additional interest, or for use as leads on term-work.

### 1. Uses of the Interdisciplinary Study of Ethnic and Race Relations

Sept. 12

\*Caroline Brettell and James F. Hollifield (eds.), *Migration Theory: Talking Across Disciplines*, New York: Routledge, 2000. Chapter 1.

Selected overviews of ethnic and race relations (for reference):

Ellis Cashmore and James Jennings (eds.), *Racism: Essential Readings*, Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 2001.

Leo Driedger and Shiva S. Halli (eds.), *Race and Racism: Canada's Challenge*, Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2000.

Shiva S. Halli, and Leo Driedger (eds.), *Immigrant Canada: Demographic, Economic and Social Challenges*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1999.

Madeline A. Kalbach and Warren E. Kalbach, (eds.), *Perspectives on Ethnicity in Canada: A Reader*, Toronto: Harcourt Canada, 2000.

Peter Li (ed.), *Race and Ethnic Relations in Canada*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Toronto: Oxford University Press, 1999.

P. R. Magocsi, (ed.) *Encyclopedia of Canada's Peoples*, Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1999.

Vic Satzewich, (ed.) *Racism and Social Inequality in Canada: Concepts, Controversies and Strategies of Resistance*, Toronto: Thompson, 1998.

Douglas S. Massey, Joaquin Arango, Graeme Hugo, Ali Kouaouci, Adela Pellegrino and J. Edward Taylor, *Worlds in Motion: Understanding International Migration at the End of the Millennium*, New York: Oxford University Press, 1998.

Charles Hirschman, Philip Kasinitz and Josh DeWind (eds.) *The Handbook of International Migration: The American Experience*, New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 1999.

### Part 1. Basic Concepts and Methods

### 2. Ethnic Groups and their Demography

Sept. 19

\*Statistics Canada, "Canada's ethnocultural portrait: the changing mosaic," 2001 Census: analysis series, Ottawa: Minister of Industry, 2003. Catalogue no. 96F0030XIE2001008.

<http://www12.statcan.ca/english/census01/products/analytic/companion/etoimm/pdf/96F0030XIE2001008.pdf>

\*Gustave Goldman, "Goldmann, Gustave, "Intra-Generational Ethnic Flows: Ethnic Mobility in the Canadian Census", *Canadian Studies in Population*, 36(3 and 4), 2009, 189-216

Madeline A. Kalbach and Warren E. Kalbach, "Demographic Overview of Ethnic Origin Groups in Canada," pp. 21-51 in *Race and Ethnic Relations in Canada*, edited by Peter S. Li, Toronto: Oxford University Press, 1999.

Mary C. Waters, "Flux and Choice in American Ethnicity," Chapter 2 (pp. 16-51) in her *Ethnic Options: Choosing Identities in America*. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1990.

Monica Boyd, "Canadian, eh? Ethnic Origins Shifts in the Canadian Census," *Canadian Ethnic Studies*, 31,3 (1999): 1-19.

Teresa A. Sullivan, "The Changing Demographic Characteristics and Impact of Immigrants in Canada," pp. 119-144 in *Immigration, Language, and Ethnicity: Canada and the the United States*, edited by Barry R. Chiswick, Washington, D.C.: The AEI Press, 1992.

Stanley Lieberson, and Mary Waters, "The Ethnic Responses of Whites - What Causes Their Instability,

- Simplification, And Inconsistency." *Social Forces* 72, 2 (Dec 1993): 421-450.
- Karol J. Krótki, and Colin Reid, "Demography of Canadian Population by Ethnic Group," pp. 17-59 in *Ethnicity and Culture in Canada: The Research Landscape*, edited by J.W. Berry and J.A. Laponce, Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1994.
- Karol J. Krótki, "How the proportion of artificial Canadians varied among regions of Canada and ethnic origins between 1991 and 1996," *Canadian J. of Regional Science*, 22, 1,2 (1997) 169-180.
- S.M. Lee, "Racial Classifications in the United-states Census - 1890-1990." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 16, 1 (Jan 1993): 75-94.

### 3. Ethnic Communities and the Incorporation of Ethnic Groups into Society

Sept. 26

- \*Richard Alba, and Victor Nee, "Rethinking Assimilation Theory for a New Era of Immigration," *International Migration Review* 31, 4 (Win 1997): 826-874.  
<http://proquest.umi.com/pqdlink?index=24&did=24024897&SrchMode=3&sid=4&Fmt=6&VInst=PROD&VType=PQD&RQT=309&VName=PQD&TS=1249055615&clientId=12520&aid=3>
- \*Jeffrey G. Reitz, "Assessing Multiculturalism as a Behavioural Theory," Chapter 1 in Reitz, et al., *Multiculturalism and Social Cohesion: Potentials and Challenges of Diversity*, Springer, 2009.
- \*Robert D. Putnam, "E Pluribus Unum: Diversity and Community in the Twenty-first Century, The 2006 Johan Skytte Prize Lecture," *Scandinavian Political Studies*, 30, 2 (2007): 137-74.  
<http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgi-bin/fulltext/118510920/PDFSTART>

- Raymond Breton, et al. "Immigrant Ethnic Groups and Social Incorporation," pp. 184-201 in *Ethnic Relations in Canada: Institutional Dynamics*, Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2005.
- Morton Weinfeld, "Ethnic assimilation and the retention of ethnic cultures," pp. 238-266, in *Ethnicity and Culture in Canada: The Research Landscape*, ed. by J.W. Berry and J.A. Laponce, Toronto: Univ. of Toronto Press, 1994.
- Reitz and Breton, *The Illusion of Difference*, ch. 3. ("The extent of cultural retention", pp. 41-63).
- T.R. Balakrishnan and Feng Hou, "Residential patterns in cities," pp. 116-147 in *Immigrant Canada: Demographic, Economic and Social Challenges*, ed. by Shiva Halli and Leo Driedger, Toronto: Univ. of Toronto Press, 1999.
- Jeffrey G. Reitz, *The Survival of Ethnic Groups*. Toronto: McGraw-Hill Ryerson, 1980, Ch. 1 (1-4, 15-43, 50-52), Ch. 3 (92-100, 119-123), Ch. 4 (139-145), Ch. 6 (178-203).
- Frances Henry, *The Caribbean Diaspora in Toronto: Learning to Live with Racism*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1994, Intro. (3-7), Ch. 1 (11-25), Ch. 4 (57-101).
- Alba, Richard D. *Ethnic Identity: The Transformation of White America*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1990.
- Breton, Raymond, *The Governance of Ethnic Communities: Political Structures and Processes in Canada*, New York: Greenwood Press, 1991.
- Stanley Lieberson and Mary C. Waters, *From Many Strands*, New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 1988.

### 4. Ethnic Status and Racism

Oct. 3

- \*Jeffrey G. Reitz and Raymond Breton, *The Illusion of Difference: Realities of Ethnicity in Canada and the United States*, Toronto: C.D. Howe Institute, 1994, Chapter 4 ("Prejudice and discrimination," pp. 64-89).
- \*Vic Satzewich, "Race, Racism and Racialization: Contested Concepts," pp. 25-45 in *Racism and Social Inequality in Canada: Concepts, Controversies and Strategies of Resistance*, edited by Vic Satzewich, Toronto: Thompson, 1998.

Frances Henry, et al, *The Colour of Democracy: Racism in Canadian Society*. Second Edition. Toronto:

- Thompson Nelson, 1998, Chapters: 1 (pp. 15-33) and 13 (pp. 383-402).
- Steven A. Weldon, "The Institutional Context of Tolerance for Ethnic Minorities: A Comparative, Multilevel Analysis of Western Europe," *American Journal of Political Science* 50,2 (2006) 331-349.
- Frances Henry, *The Caribbean Diaspora in Toronto: Learning to Live with Racism*, Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1994, chap. 5 (pp. 102-119).
- Paul M. Sniderman, David A. Northrup, Joseph F. Fletcher, Peter Russell and Philip E. Tetlock. "Psychological and cultural foundations of prejudice: The case of anti-Semitism in Quebec." *Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology* (1993) 30,2:242-270.
- Gerald Davis Jaynes, and Robin M. Williams, Jr. (eds.), *A Common Destiny: Blacks and American Society*, Washington: National Academy Press, 1989, Chapter 3, "Racial Attitudes and Behavior," pp. 115-160.

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## 5. Ethnic Inequality: Institutions and Treatment within Institutions

Oct. 17

- \*Krishna Pendakur and Ravi Pendakur, (2002). "Colour my world: have earnings gaps for Canadian-born ethnic minorities changed over time?" *Canadian Public Policy* 28, 4 (2002), 489-512.  
<http://economics.ca/cgi/jab?journal=cpp&view=v28n4/CPpv28n4p489.pdf>
- \*Michael Pal and Sujit Choudhry, "Is Every Ballot Equal? Visible Minority Vote Dilution in Canada" (2007) 13 IRPP Choices 1-30.  
<http://www.irpp.org>
- Note: type in this url, then click on 'English,' then 'Publications' (on the left), and choose 'IRPP Choices' and '2007.' Then select the article.
- William J. Wilson, *The Declining Significance of Race*, second edition, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1980, Ch. 1 (1-23), Ch. 5 (88-121).
- Jeffrey G. Reitz, "Terms of Entry: Social Institutions and Immigrant Earnings in American, Canadian and Australian Cities," pp. 50-81 in *Globalization and the New City: Migrants, Minorities and Urban Transformations in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Malcolm Cross and Robert Moore. Houndmills, Basingstoke, Hampshire, UK: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Jeffrey G. Reitz, *Warmth of the Welcome: The Social Causes of Economic Success for Immigrants in Different Nations and Cities*, Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1998, Chap. 1 (pp. 3-43).
- Robert M. Jibou, *Ethnicity and Inequality*. Albany: State University of New York Press, 1990.
- William J. Wilson, "Studying inner-city social dislocations: the challenge of public agenda research" (1990 ASA Presidential Address) *American Sociological Review* 56 (1991) 1-14.
- William J. Wilson, *The Truly Disadvantaged: The Inner City, the Underclass, and Public Policy*, 1987.
- William J. Wilson, *When Work Disappears: The World of the New Urban Poor*, New York: Knopf, 1996.
- Peter Li, *Ethnic Inequality in a Class Society*. Toronto: Thompson Educational Publishing, 1988.
- Douglas S. Massey and Nancy A. Denton, *American Apartheid: Segregation and the Making of the Underclass*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1993.
- Christopher McAll, *Class, Ethnicity, and Social Inequality*. Montreal: McGill-Queens Press, 1990.

## 6. Ethnic Conflict and Ethnic Change

Oct. 24

- \*Samuel P. Huntington, "The clash of civilizations?" *Foreign Affairs* 72, 3 (1993) 22-49.  
<http://proquest.umi.com/pqdlink?index=76&did=414785&SrchMode=3&sid=6&Fmt=6&VInst=PROD&VType=PQD&RQT=309&VName=PQD&TS=1249056437&clientId=12520&aid=4>
- \*Amartya Sen, "What Clash of Civilizations?" *Slate*, March 29, 2006. Based on his book *Identity and Violence: The Illusion of Destiny*, New York: Norton, 2006.

<http://www.slate.com/id/2138731/pagenum/all/>

\*Bhikhu Parekh, "Europe, liberalism and the 'Muslim question,' pp. 179-203 in Tariq Madood, et al. (eds.) *Multiculturalism, Muslims and Citizenship: A European Approach*, London: Routledge, 2006).

Robin M. Williams, "The Sociology of Ethnic Conflicts: Comparative International Perspectives", *Annual Review of Sociology* 20 (1994) 49-79.

Jeffrey G. Reitz, "Less Racial Discrimination in Canada, or Simply Less Racial Conflict?: Implications of Comparisons with Britain." *Canadian Public Policy* 14,4:424-441.

Jeffrey G. Reitz and Janet M. Lum, "Immigration and diversity in a changing Canadian city: social bases of inter-group relations in Toronto," in *Inside the Mosaic*, ed. by Eric Fong, Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2006.

Randy Hodson, K. Sekulif, and G. Massey, "National Tolerance in the Former Yugoslavia," *American Journal of Sociology* 99,6 (1994) 1534-58).

Ted Robert Gurr and Barbara Harff, *Ethnic Conflict in World Politics*, Boulder: Westview Press, 1994.

Jeffrey G. Reitz, "The Institutional Structure of Immigration as a Determinant of Inter-racial Competition: A Comparison of Britain and Canada," *International Migration Review* 21 (1988) 117-146.

Boucher, Jerry; Landis, Dan; and Clark, Karen Arnold (eds.) 1987. *Ethnic Conflict: International Perspectives*. Newbury Park, CA: Sage.

McAdam, Doug *Political Process and the Development of Black Insurgency*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. 1982

**Mid-term exam**

**Distributed Oct. 24, Due Oct. 31**

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