

Sociology 49.6
Multiculturalism, Immigration and Citizenship
Fall 2011
Silsby 119
M, W, F 10 – 11:05. X-Hour Thursday 12 – 12:50
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X-hours: *I have scheduled research activities for some X-hours. We will use additional X-hours if we need to make up classes or extend our class time.*

This course will introduce the sociological study of immigration and multicultural citizenship. Students will acquire background on the historical background, population dynamics, political processes and cultural contexts influencing immigration and immigrant incorporation. Students will consider common theories of national belonging, social cohesion, multicultural policy and immigrant inclusion. Students will apply an academic perspective to contemporary circumstances and debates regarding dual citizenship, ethnic enclaves, immigration reform and Muslim immigrant incorporation. Reading assignments, brief lectures, and class discussion will provide an in-depth understanding of the challenges faced by increasingly diverse nations and the manner in which those challenges may be met.

Sociology 49.6 is a reading intensive course. Your final grade will consist of attendance (10%), three short papers summarizing and reacting to the course material (60%), and final paper (30%) bringing together your short papers and applying the course material to a topic of your choosing.

Required texts:

- Abdo, Genevieve. 2007. *Mecca and Main Street: Muslim Life in America after 9/11*. ISBN: 0195332377
- Bloemraad, Irene. 2006. *Becoming a Citizen: Incorporating Immigrants and Refugees in the United States and Canada*. ISBN: 0520248996
- Bean, Frank D. and Gillian Stevens. 2005. *America's Newcomers and the Dynamics of Diversity* ISBN: 0871541289
- Massey, Douglas S., Jorge Durand and Nolan J. Malone. 2003. *Beyond Smoke and Mirrors: Mexican Immigration in an Era of Economic Integration*. ISBN: 087154590X.
- Takaki, Ronald. 2008. *A Different Mirror: A History of Multicultural America* [2008 edition] ISBN: 9780316022361
- Zhou, Min. 2009. *Contemporary Chinese America: Immigration, Ethnicity, and Community Transformation* ISBN: 1592138586
- Online readings available on blackboard.

Academic Integrity:

I expect students to discuss the material. However, course assignments are non-collaborative and should include accurate citations for all original sources. Please make sure you comply with Dartmouth's Academic Honor Principle as it pertains to unauthorized collaboration, plagiarism, and the submission of work from other courses. More information about the Dartmouth Honor Principle is available online at: <http://www.dartmouth.edu/~reg/regulations/undergrad/acad-honor.html>.

Other class policies:

1. All cell phones must be turned off and put away before class begins. Computers may be used for the purposes of note-taking and collaborative internet research only.
2. Course updates and announcement will be sent out over email and posted on the course website.
3. If you miss a class, make sure to get notes and materials from another student. I will not make my notes available to students.
4. If you have special needs which require accommodation in seating, evaluation, or otherwise meeting the course requirements, please contact me so that appropriate arrangements may be made.

Tentative Class Schedule

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Day	Date	Topic	Assignment
Unit 1		Overview	
Wednesday	9/21	What does it mean to be an American?	
Friday	9/23	Immigrant America: The Master Narrative	Takaki, pp. 3 – 6, 23 - 97
Monday	9/26	Slavery, Immigrants and the Frontier	Takaki, pp. 98 - 208
Wednesday	9/28	Closing the Border	Takaki, pp. 209 - 310
Thursday	9/29	Immigration in the Archives and the Stacks	
Friday	9/30	Racial America Film: Race, The Power of an Illusion, Ep. 3	Takaki, pp. 311 – 404
Monday	10/3	Immigration Renewed	Alba and Nee, “The Background to Contemporary Immigration” from <i>Remaking the American Mainstream</i> (online reader) Bean and Stevens, Chapter 2
Wednesday	10/5	Short Paper #1 Due	
Unit 2		Theories & Debates	
Friday	10/7	Class Cancelled	
Monday	10/10	The Immigration Debate: Anti-immigration perspectives	Renshon, Becoming American: Some Proposals from The 50% American (online reader) Huntington, Assimilation: Converts, Ampersands and the Erosion of Citizenship from Who are We? (online reader) Bean and Stevens, Chapters 6, 7 and 9
Wednesday	10/12	The Immigration Debate: Pro-immigration perspectives	
Thursday	10/13	Immigration: Sources of Data	
Friday	10/14	Theories of Incorporation	Bean and Stevens, Chapter 5 Alba and Nee, Assimilation Theory, Old and New from <i>Remaking the American Mainstream</i> (online reader)
Monday	10/17	Short Paper #2 Due	
Unit 3		Citizenship	
Wednesday	10/19	From Incorporation to Citizenship	Kymlicka and Norman, Citizenship in Diverse Societies: Issues, Contexts and Concepts in Citizenship in Diverse Societies (online reader) Bloemraad, Introduction
Friday	10/21	Contexts of Reception	Bloemraad, Chapters 1 and 2
Monday	10/24	Citizenship in Context: State and Meaning	Bloemraad, Chapters 3 and 4
Wednesday	10/26	Multicultural Citizenship	Bloemraad, Chapters 5, 6, Conclusion
Friday	10/28	Short Paper #3 Due	
Unit 4		Challenges to Multiculturalism	

Monday	10/31	Sticking Point #1: South of the Border Film: Crossing Arizona	Massey et al., Chapter 1, 2 and pp. 41 – 51
Wednesday	11/2	The Structure of Undocumented Labor	Massey et al., Chapters 4 and 5
Friday	11/4	The System is Broken. Fix the System	Massey et al., Chapters 6 and 7
Monday	11/7	Sticking Point #2: Model Minorities and Ethnic Enclaves	Zhou, pp. 1 – 15, Chapter 2
Wednesday	11/9	From Chinatown to Ethnoburbs	Zhou, Chapters 3 and 4
Friday	11/11	Places of Their Own	Zhou, Chapters 5 and 6
Monday	11/14	Interrogating Model Minority	Zhou, Chapters 7, 9 and 11
Wednesday	11/16	What does it mean to be an American?	What does it mean to be an American?
Friday	11/18	Sticking Point #3 Muslim Immigrants and the War on Terror	Peek, Encountering Intolerance from Behind the Backlash: Muslim Americans after 9/11
			Abdo, Prologue
Monday	11/21	Muslim-America	Abdo, Chapters 1 – 3
Monday	11/28	Multicultural Islam	Abdo, Chapters 4 – 6
Wednesday	11/30	Conversion and Challenge	Abdo, Chapter 7 and 8
Wednesday	12/7	Final Paper Due	