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IDENTITY AND CITIZENSHIP IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD

CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
SEM B, A.Y. 2022/23; TUESDAYS, 12:00–14:50; LOCATION: LT-6, YEUNG (AC1)

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COURSE DETAILS

FROM THE CATALOGUE: In this course, students explore the meaning of citizenship at various levels, from local, to national, to global, but including other kinds of “memberships” which may also influence identity. Students also explore the interactions between engagement with various groups and communities, and “identity.” The theme of “globalization” helps students to understand how international interactions in trade, travel, science, business, and culture influence conceptions of citizenship, and of identity.

FROM THE INSTRUCTOR: The course is organized in two parts. The first part covers the evolution of modern conceptions of citizenship and national identity. The second part explores the relationship between “social identity” and human behaviour, especially as it relates to the way people act towards in-groups, out-groups, and governmental authorities. Special emphasis is placed on the study of nationalism, “citizenship regimes,” “identity politics,” inter-group struggles over status and “inter-subjective recognition,” ethnic conflict, and the variation in the treatment reserved for “minorities” of various kinds in different times and places.

ASSESSMENT

The course consists of weekly three-hour class periods. The final grade for the course is determined on the basis of the following assessment items:

- **MIDTERM QUIZ (30%) AND FINAL QUIZ (30%):** Quizzes will be held during normal class hours (in Week 6 and Week 13). Questions will deal with matters covered in class as well as a selection of the readings listed below (those highlighted in yellow).
- **THINK PIECES (40%):** Two short essays or “think pieces” (two/three pages each, or up to 1500 words) each account for 20% of the final grade. Both assignments (the specifics of which will be announced in due course) require students to apply course materials to real-world cases. The first “think piece” (TP #1) is due on 14 March 2023; the second (TP #2) is due on 25 April 2023.

CLASS SCHEDULE

10 January 2023—WEEK 1

INTRODUCTION TO CITIZENSHIP & IDENTITY

- Bellamy, Richard. 2008. *Citizenship: A Very Short Introduction*. Oxford University Press. [Ch. 1]
- Fearon, James D. 1999. "What Is Identity (As We Now Use the Word)?" Stanford University: Unpublished.

17 January 2023—WEEK 2

PRE-MODERN CONCEPTIONS OF CITIZENSHIP

- Bellamy, Richard. 2008. *Citizenship: A Very Short Introduction*. Oxford University Press. [Ch. 2-3]

24 January 2023—NO CLASS

LUNAR NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

31 January 2023—WEEK 3

NATIONALISM AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF MODERN CITIZENSHIP

- Anderson, Benedict. 1991[1983]. *Imagined Communities: Reflections on the Origin and Spread of Nationalism*. London: Verso. [Ch. 1]
- Anderson, Benedict. 2001. "Western Nationalism and Eastern Nationalism: Is There a Difference that Matters?" *New Left Review* 9: 31-42.

7 February 2023—WEEK 4

CITIZENSHIP, INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS, AND SOCIAL CLASS IN "THE WEST"

- Marshall, T.H. 1964[1949]. "Citizenship and Social Class." In T.H. Marshall (ed.), *Class, Citizenship and Social Development*. New York: Doubleday.

14 February 2023—WEEK 5

CITIZENSHIP REGIMES & DEMOCRACY: ASIA AND THE WORLD

- Vink, Maarten. 2018. "Comparing Citizenship Regimes." In Ayelet Shachar, Rainer Bauböck, Irene Bloemraad, and Maarten Vink (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Citizenship*. Oxford University Press.
- Sen, Amartya. 2006. *Identity and Violence: The Illusion of Destiny*. New York: W.W. Norton. [Read/skim Ch. 1-6]

21 February 2023—WEEK 6

MIDTERM QUIZ

28 February 2023—WEEK 7

THE MODERN "SELF" AND THE RISE OF IDENTITY POLITICS

- Fukuyama, Francis. 2018. *Identity: Contemporary Identity Politics and the Struggle for Recognition*. London: Profile Books. [Ch. 1-4; only skim Ch. 5-9]

7 March 2023—WEEK 8

SOCIAL IDENTITY AND INTER-GROUP BEHAVIOR

- Tajfel, Henri and John C. Turner. 1986. "The Social Identity Theory of Inter-Group Behavior." In S. Worchel and L.W. Austin (eds.), *Psychology of Intergroup Relations*. Chicago: Nelson-Hall.
- Haidt, Jonathan. 2012. *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion*. New York: Vintage Books, 2012. [Ch. 9-10]

14 March 2023—WEEK 9

AN IDENTITY-BASED THEORY OF LEGITIMACY

- Simon, Bernd and Penelope Oakes. 2006. "Beyond Dependence: An Identity Approach to Social Power and Domination." *Human Relations* 59: 105-39.
- Jost, John T., Mahzarin R. Banaji, and Brian A. Nosek. 2004. "A Decade of System Justification Theory: Accumulated Evidence of Conscious and Unconscious Bolstering of the Status Quo." *Political Psychology* 25: 881-919.

21 March 2023—WEEK 10

SOCIAL IDENTITY AND THE POLITICS OF RECOGNITION/RESENTMENT

- Fukuyama, Francis. 2018. *Identity: The Demand for Dignity and the Politics of Resentment*. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux. [Ch. 10-11; only skim Ch. 12-14]

28 March 2023—WEEK 11

IDENTITY POLITICS, ETHNIC CONFLICT, AND DEMOCRACY

- Linz, Juan J. and Alfred Stepan 1996. *Problems of Democratic Transition and Consolidation*. Johns Hopkins University Press. [Read Ch. 2]
- Chandra, Kanchan. 2005. "Ethnic Parties and Democratic Stability." *Perspectives on Politics* 3: 235-52.

4 April 2023—WEEK 12

CITIZENSHIP AND NATIONAL IDENTITY IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD

- Sen, Amartya. 2006. *Identity and Violence: The Illusion of Destiny*. New York: W.W. Norton. [Read/skim Ch. 7-9]

11 April 2023—WEEK 13

FINAL QUIZ

POLICY ON LATE SUBMISSIONS

Late assignments will be deducted 5% per working day (on the assignment in question) for a maximum of 10 working days or two calendar weeks, after which the assessment item will receive a grade of zero.