

Descriptif d'enseignement / Course descriptions

2nd year, Semester 2

Titre du cours - Course title

Introduction to the Sociology of Migration

Type de cours : Cours magistral

Langue du cours/Language of instruction : Anglais

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Résumé du cours – Objectifs - Course description – Targets

Course description

Over the last four decades, immigration has transformed Western societies, producing significant social changes in the ways they conceive themselves as diverse, multicultural, welcoming, or democratic. It has at the same time constantly raised political and cultural forms of anxieties, especially about how to control migration and how to choose the "good" migrants. The overall objective of the course is to understand issues, theoretical debates and analytical issues that shape the study of immigration. The course will introduce migration studies through a sociological lens, with a specific attention to the social, political and historical contexts of immigration. Mostly anchored in the case of European countries, it will also examine other nations, especially Canada and Quebec.

The course is divided into four parts. The first section outlines the factors shaping international migration. Why do people move? Can States control migration, including the "unwanted" migrants? We will analyse how Western States adopt selective migration policies to let some people in, while keeping others out. The second section will then focus on the actors of border control: bureaucrats (State actors), migration industry (private actors) and migrants themselves. The third section will explore debates around the process through which foreigners incorporate to their adoptive countries and consider how gender, race, class, religion and age affect the reception and integration of migrants. What do assimilation, integration and multiculturalism mean from one country of immigration to another? Finally, the last section will examine the politicization of immigration and how it (re) shapes collective action and political competition.

This course is open to anyone with an interest in immigration and a willingness to examine issues that raise difficult moral, political and academic questions.

Course format

Class sessions use a combination of lecture, text discussion, and presentations by students. Most sessions will also start with a press review presented by a group of students.



Course goals

At the end of the course, the students will be able to:

- understand how State and non-State actors regulate access to international mobility
- identify the different logics of migration and integration policies
- explain the different approaches of integration and of citizenships in European and North American contexts
- reflect on the processes of migration from migrants' perspectives
- develop critical thinking on media and political coverage of migration issues

Evaluation - Assessment

(The information is subject to change)

- 1) Press review (20%) each week, one or two groups will present a press review on a news theme related to migration, for approx. 10 minutes.
 - The presentation must be based on at least two different newspaper articles.
 - The first part of the press review must present the news item and summary the content of the articles. The second part of the presentation should critically reflect on the media treatment of the chosen sources.
- 2) Discussion (20%) each week, one or two groups will be assigned to prepare questions on the compulsory readings and launch the discussion with the rest of the class.
- 3) Review of the readings (10%) + bonus each week, students will be kindly asked to submit a one-pager summarizing compulsory readings, following the professor's template. Each student has a capital of 10 points. In the case of a summary that has not been returned, one point will be deducted. The professor will selection the best summaries at each session. The 10 students who have been the most selected will receive a +1 point on their final grade.
- 4) Final written exam (50%) consisting in several short-development knowledge questions and one long-development essay question.

Plan - Séances - Course outline

(This information is subject to change)

Class 1. Introduction

No readings required.

SECTION I. THE INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY REGIME

Class 2. Why people migrate? Global perspectives on mobility and migration

Reading

- Héran, François (2018). Europe and the spectre of sub-Saharan migration. *Population Societies*, (8), 1-4.
- One additional reading, to be determined.

Topics: theories of migration / definition and categorization of migration flows / global inequalities and mobility



Class 3. Fortress Europe: The securitisation of migrants and refugees

Readings

- Huysmans, Jef (2000). The European Union and the securitization of migration. *JCMS: Journal of Common Market Studies*, 38(5), 751-777.
- Akoka, Karen (2016). Crise des réfugiés, ou des politiques d'asile?, La Vie des Idées.

Topics: concept of securitisation / social construction of the immigration problem / security-immigration nexus

SECTION II. THE ACTORS OF BORDER CONTROL POLICIES

Class 4. Street level immigration bureaucrats: everyday practices of migrants' selection and exclusion

Readings

- Infantino, Federica (2014). Bordering «fake» marriages? The everyday practices of control at the consulates of Belgium, France and Italy in Casablanca. *Etnografia e ricerca qualitativa*, 7(1), 27-48.
- Tomkinson, Sule. (2018). Who are you afraid of and why? Inside the black box of refugee tribunals. *Canadian Public Administration*, *61*(2), 184-204.

<u>Topics</u>: implementation of migration policies at the street-level / everyday practices of migrants' selection and exclusion / categorization of migrants

Class 5. The migration industry: border control, a business like any other?

Readings

- Migreurop (2016), Migrant Detention in the European Union: A Thriving Business, introduction, pp. 8-17 and 42-59.
- Spijkerboer, Thomas (2018). The global mobility infrastructure: Reconceptualising the externalisation of migration control. European Journal of Migration and Law, 20(4), 452-469.

<u>Topics</u>: private actors of border control / public-private regulation of migratory flows / delegation of control

Class 6. The lived experiences of migrants

Readings:

- Souiah, Farida; Salzbrunn, Monika & Mastrangelo, Simon (2018). Hope and Disillusion. The Depiction of Europe in Algerian and Tunisian Cultural Productions about Undocumented Migration. North Africa and the Making of Europe: Governance, Institutions and Culture, 155.
- One additional reading, to be determined.

Topics: agentivity and subjectivity of migrants / strategies of resistance to border control policies

SECTION III. THE INTEGRATION OF MIGRANTS IN HOST SOCIETIES

Class 7. Incorporating Foreigners: Comparing European Models of Integration

Readings

Brubaker, Roger (1992). Citizenship and Nationhood in France and Germany. Introduction. 1-20



Triadafilopoulos, Tradafilos (2011). Illiberal means to liberal ends? Understanding recent immigrant integration policies in Europe, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, vol. 37, n° 6, p. 861-880.

Topics: national conceptions of citizenship / assimilation / republicanism

Class 8. Immigration and Integration Policies: Perspectives from Canada and Quebec

Readings

- ➤ Banting, Keith & Kymlicka, Will (2010). Canadian Multiculturalism: Global Anxieties and Local Debates. *British Journal of Canadian Studies*, 23(1).
- ➤ Bilge, Sirma (2013). Reading the Racial Subtext of the Québécois Accommodation Controversy: An Analytics of Racialized Governmentality, *Politikon*, 40 (1): 157-181.

Topics: multiculturalism / interculturalism / minority rights

Class 9. Intersectional Analysis of Inclusion

Readings

- Essed, Philomena (1995), « Migrant Women, Racism and the Dutch Labour Market », in John Solomos and John Wrench Racism and Migration in Europe, Oxford, Berg Publisher.
- Khattab, Nabil and Modood, Tariq (2015), « Both Ethnic and Religious: Explaining Employment Penalties across 14 Ethno-Religious Groups in the UK », Journal of the Scientific Study of Religion, 54(3), pp. 501-522.

<u>Topics</u>: intersectionality / discrimination / integration

SECTION IV. IMMIGRATION AND THE RECONFIGURATION OF NATIONAL POLITICS

Class 10. Migrant mobilizations in postcolonial context

Readings:

- Ahmed Boubeker. (2008). La « petite histoire » d'une génération d'expérience. Du mouvement beur aux banlieues de l'Islam, in Boubeker & Hajjat, *Histoire politique des immigrations (post)coloniales en France 1920-2008*, Ed. Amsterdam.
- Simeng Wang, Xiabing Chen, Yong Li, Chloé Luu, Ran Yan & Francesco Madrisotti (2020): 'I'm more afraid of racism than of the virus!': racism awareness and resistance among Chinese migrants and their descendants in France during the Covid-19 pandemic, European Societies.

Topics: collective action / migrants rights / identity politics

Class 11. The politics of (anti)-immigration in the 21st century

Reading:

- Satnam Virdee & Brendan McGeever (2018.) Racism, Crisis, Brexit, Ethnic and Racial Studies, 41:10, 1802-1819
- > One additional reading, to be determined.

Topics: politicization of immigration / populism / extreme-right



Class 12. Conclusion

No readings required.

Bibliographie - Bibliography:

This bibliography is meant to widen the scope of your readings and help you to prepare your presentations.

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- Alba, Richard and Nee, Victor (1997), "Rethinking Assimilation Theory for a New Era of Immigration", International Migration Review, pp. 826–874.
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- Bleich, Erik (2003), Race Politics in Britain and France. Ideas and Policymaking since the 1960s, Cambridge University Press.
- Bigo, Didier (2014), "The (in)securitization practices of the three universes of EU border control: Military/Navy border guards/police database analysts », Security Dialogue 45(3), pp. 209-225.
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- Bloemraad, Irene, (2004). "Who Claims Dual Citizenship? The Limits of Postnationalism, the Possibilities of Transnationalism, and the Persistence of Traditionalism". International Migration Review, 38(2): 389-426.
- Bontemps, Véronique, Makaremi Chowra and Mazouz Sarah (Eds.) (2018), Entre accueil et rejet: ce que les villes font aux migrants, Lyon, Le Passager clandestin.
- Bouagga, Yasmine and Barré, Céline (Eds.) (2017), De Lesbos à Calais: comment l'Europe fabrique des camps, Lyon, Le Passager clandestin.
- Bribosia Emmanuelle and Rea, Andrea (Eds.) (2002), Les Nouvelles Migrations. Un enjeu européen, Brussels, Éditions Complexe.
- Brubaker, Rogers (1992), Citizenship and Nationhood in France and Germany, Cambridge (Mass.) Havard University Press.
- Castles, Stephen, (2006), "Guestworkers in Europe: A Resurrection?" International Migration Review, 40(4), 741-766.
- Chavez, Leo (2013). The Latino Threat: Constructing Immigrants, Citizens, and the Nation, Stanford, Stanford University Press.
- Chavez, Leo (2017), Anchor Babies and the Challenge of Birthright Citizenship, Stanford, Stanford University Press.
- Chauvin, Sébastien and Garcés-Mascareñas, Bianca (2014), "Becoming Less Illegal. Deservingness Frames and Undocumented Migrants Incorporation", Sociology Compass, 8/4, pp. 422–432. Text available at: http://sebastienchauvin.org/wp-content/uploads/Chauvin-Garc%C3%A9s-Mascarenas-Becoming-Less-Illegal2014-PUB.pdf
- Cheah, Pheng and Robbins Bruce (Eds.) (1998), Cosmopolitics: Thinking and Feeling Beyond the Nation, Minneapolis, University of Minesota Press.
- Coulmont, Baptiste, and Simon, Patrick (2019), "How Do Immigrants Name Their Children in France?" Population and Societies, 565.
- Dahdah , Assaf and Puig, Nicolas (Eds.) (2018), Exils syriens: parcours et ancrages, Liban, Turquie, Europe, Lyon, Le Passager clandestin.



- Darley, Mathilde (2008), "Le contrôle migratoire aux frontières Schengen: Pratiques et représentations des polices sur la ligne tchéco-autrichienne", Cultures & Conflits, 71, pp.13-29.
- Dupont, Juliette (2019a). « Entre sécurité et rentabilité : Cadrages et recadrages de la politique de visa Schengen (1995 2015) ». *Politique europeenne* N° 65 (3): 122-47.
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