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Office hours: Tu./Th. 11:15-12:15am, or by appointment

Class: Pepper Canyon Hall 121

Tu./Th. 9:30am -10:50am

WHY TAKE THIS CLASS?

This class aims to give a broad overview of major issues in the sociology of contemporary international migration. We will try to explain why some people migrate while others stay home, and why migrants choose specific destinations, with special reference to the cases of Mexico and the Philippines. We then turn to the experience of immigrants and how they integrate into their host societies and the extent to which they remain engaged with their countries of origin. We will contrast the U.S. experience with that of the Persian Gulf countries, Korea, and France.

READINGS:

You are expected to read all of the readings listed for each class (about 25-50 pages per class) and come prepared to discuss them. All of the readings are on TritonED or as hyperlinks in the syllabus.

Additional, optional resources are listed at the end of the syllabus.

WRITING AND EXAMS:

Several times during the quarter, you will write in-class 5-minute essays reacting to our readings, films, and discussion. There will be an in-class mid-term exam in a short answer and essay format written in your blue book.

50% of your grade will be based on an Immigrant Life History Project. First, you will select an immigrant population in which you are interested and write a 6-page (double-spaced) narrative summary of its major characteristics and history using library and Internet research from reliable sources. Second, you will conduct and record an extensive interview with someone born outside the United States, who came to this country no younger than 10 year of age, and turn in a complete transcript of the interview. Finally, you will write a 12-14-page paper due at the end of Finals Week that will integrate the first two parts of the assignment, and in which you relate that immigrant's life history to the major themes of this class.

There will not be a final exam.

You will only be graded on your written work. Late papers will not be accepted except in extraordinary circumstances documented with a doctor's note, etc... UCSD regulations on academic integrity will be strictly enforced. See <http://academicintegrity.ucsd.edu/>. If you have questions about what constitutes plagiarism, please ask before turning in the assignment. A short on-line guide is at <http://ucsd.libguides.com/plagiarism>.

GRADES:

- 15%: In-class 5-minute reaction essays
- 35% Midterm
- 50% Immigrant Life History Project:
 - 15% Summary description of immigrant population for final paper
 - 5% Transcription of immigrant life history for final paper
 - 30% Final Paper

CLASS DISCUSSION:

I expect you to attend class and would like each of you to participate in the discussion. I will post lecture study guides on the class website. While I do not take attendance, please note that there are no make-ups on the 5-minute in-class essays and I will not post lecture notes.

Immigration is often an emotionally and politically-charged topic. Opinions from all points of view are welcomed. Please express them in ways that are respectful of all of us.

COURSE OUTLINE:

Sep. 27. Where are immigrants from? Where do they go?

FitzGerald, David. "The Sociology of International Migration." In *Migration Theory: Talking across Disciplines*, edited by James F. Hollifield and Caroline B. Brettell, 115-47. New York: Routledge, 2014.

Oct 2. Theories of International Migration

Massey, Douglas S., Joaquin Arango, Graeme Hugo, Ali Kouaouci, Adela Pellegrino, and J. Edward Taylor. 1993. "Theories of International Migration: A Review and Appraisal." *Population and Development Review* 19: 431-66.

Oct. 4. Social Networks

Garip, Filiz, and Asad L. Asad. "Network Effects in Mexico–U.S. Migration: Disentangling the Underlying Social Mechanisms." *American Behavioral Scientist* 60, no. 10 (2016): 1168-93.

Oct. 9. Cultures of Migration

Ali, Syed. 2007. "'Go West Young Man': The Culture of Migration among Muslims in Hyderabad, India." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 33:37-58.

Oct. 11. Mexico: Failed Control to Laissez-Faire

FitzGerald, David. 2006. "Inside the Sending State: The Politics of Mexican Emigration Control." *International Migration Review* 40: 259-293.

Oct. 16. Mexico: Shifting Patterns of Migration to the U.S.

Massey, Douglas S., Jorge Durand, and Karen A. Pren. "Border Enforcement and Return Migration by Documented and Undocumented Mexicans." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 41, no. 7 (2015): 1015-40.

Oct. 18. Philippines: The Migration Industry

Castles, Stephen and Mark Miller. "Dilemmas for Emigration Countries: The Philippines." 2004. In the companion to *The Age of Migration: International Population Movements in the Modern World*. Online at <http://www.age-of-migration.com/na/casestudies/6.4.pdf>

Acacio, Kristel. Forthcoming. "Recruitment Agencies in Nurse Migration: Constructing Vital Pipelines through Profitable Business," in *The Migration Industry: Brokers, Buses, and the Business of International Mobility to the United States* edited by Rubén Hernández-León. New York, NY: Russell Sage Foundation. <http://www.irle.berkeley.edu/culture/papers/acacio09.pdf>

Oct. 23. Korea: A New Country of Immigration?

Guest speaker: Angela Y. McLean, PhD Candidate, Department of Sociology, UCSD

Chung, Erin Aeran. "Japan and South Korea," in Hollifield, James, Philip L Martin, and Pia Orrenius. *Controlling Immigration: A Global Perspective*. Stanford University Press, 2014.

Oct. 25. Refugees

Guest speaker: Molly Fee, PhD Candidate, UCLA Department of Sociology

FitzGerald, David Scott, and Rawan Arar. "The Sociology of Refugee Migration." *Annual Review of Sociology* 44 (2018): 387-406.

Oct. 30. Assimilation

Waters, M. C., and T. R. Jimenez. 2005. "Assessing immigrant assimilation: New empirical and theoretical challenges." *Annual Review of Sociology* 31:105-125.

Nov. 1. Socio-Cultural Integration

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, Medicine, and Committee on Population. *The Integration of Immigrants into American Society*. National Academies Press, 2016, pp 1-14 and 303-333.

Nov. 6. * Midterm Exam in class *****

Nov. 8.

Guest speaker: Leo Lucassen, Professor of Global Labour and Migration History, Leiden University, Netherlands

Nov. 13: Introduction to Transnationalism

Levitt, Peggy. 2001. "Transnational Migration: Taking Stock and Future Directions." *Global Networks* 1:195-216.

Nov. 15. Remittances

Armand Gutierrez, PhD student, UCSD Department of Sociology

Gutierrez, Armand. 2018. "A Family Affair: How and Why Second-Generation Filipino-Americans Engage in Transnational Connections." *Ethnic and Racial Studies*.

Nov. 20. Undocumented Politics: Place, Gender and the Pathways of Mexican Migrants

Guest speaker: Abigail Andrews, Assistant Professor of Sociology, UCSD

Nov. 22. Thanksgiving. No class.

Nov. 27. The Persian Gulf

***** Transcript of Immigrant Life History Due *****

Thiollet, H el ene. "Managing Migrant Labour in the Gulf: Transnational Dynamics of Migration Politics since the 1930s." (2016).

Nov. 29. Integration in Europe

Simon, Patrick, and M elodie Beaujeu. "Mainstreaming and Redefining the Immigrant Integration Debate in Old Migration Countries: A Case Study of France, the UK and the Netherlands." In *Mainstreaming Integration Governance*, 25-46: Springer, 2018.

Dec. 4. France: The Republican Model

Hollifield, James. "France" in *Controlling Immigration: A Global Perspective*, edited by James Hollifield, Philip L. Martin, and Pia Orrenius. Stanford University Press, 2014.

Dec. 6. Histories of Legalization

Guest speaker: Deborah Kang, Assistant Professor of History, CSUSM and Visiting Scholar, CCIS

Ngai, Mae M. "The Strange Career of the Illegal Alien: Immigration Restriction and Deportation Policy in the United States, 1921–1965." *Law and History Review* 21, no. 1 (2003): 69-108.

FINALS WEEK:

***** Final paper due Thursday, Dec. 13 at 8am using Turnitin on the class website *****

OPTIONAL RESOURCES:

- Portes, Alejandro and Ruben G. Rumbaut. 2014. *Immigrant America: A Portrait*. 4th Ed. University of California Press.
- Castles, Stephen, Hein de Haas and Mark Miller. 2014. *The Age of Migration: International Population Movements in the Modern World*. 5th Ed. <http://www.age-of-migration.com/>
- Migration Policy Institute: <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/programs/migration-information-source>
- International Organization for Migration: <https://migrationdataportal.org/>
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security Immigration statistics: <https://www.dhs.gov/immigration-statistics>
- Center for Comparative Immigration Studies at UCSD: <http://ccis.ucsd.edu/>

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES IN SAN DIEGO:

- <https://ccis.ucsd.edu/programs/service-opportunities.html>
- <https://www.rescue.org/volunteer-opportunities/san-diego-ca>
- <https://sdrefugeetutoring.com/>