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French/History 804: Interdisciplinary Western European Area Studies Seminar

Identité et Citoyenneté: Perspectives Franco-européennes

This course is cross-listed with German, Sociology, Political Science, and History.

This seminar, taught in French, will focus on key contemporary social, cultural, legal, and intellectual issues in France linked to the current debate on national and European identity and citizenship. We will examine the growing literature on the French "identity crisis," and analyze recent controversies surrounding issues of identity and citizenship in a French and European perspective. What forms of citizenship, of "être-ensemble" and sociability, are emerging in a time of depressed narratives of national history? How does the French Republican mode of identity and integration operate in a multicultural, globalized society of flows and migrations? How has the movement for parity between men and women changed understandings of democracy and identity? What is the relation between regional, national, and European identity? What do the political discourses in the current European elections and new forms of social imaginary tell us about representing Self/Other in a transregional perspective in France today?

The seminar will feature a number of distinguished guest scholars from France and the U.S. who will lead seminar sessions on their topic of expertise. Scholars who will be coming to campus include Catherine Wihtol de Wenden (Political Science, Institut des Etudes Politiques, Paris), Bernard Brigouleix (journalist), Mireille Rosello (Northwestern), Jean-Phillipe Mathy (University of Illinois-Urbana), and the poet Bernard Noël.

Requirements include an oral presentation, a 5 page essay, and a research paper due at the end of the semester. Students from departments other than French can choose to undertake their written work in English. The class will meet on Fridays from 2:15 to 3:45 and on alternate Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:45.

Week 1. January 28. Introduction.

Week 2. February 3, 4. Nation et Immigration

Gérard Noriel, “Français et étrangers,” in Pierre Nora, Les Lieux de mémoire

Gérard Noiriel, Le creuset français: Histoire de l'immigration XIXe-XX siècle, pp. 15-28 et chap. 2 (“La carte et le Code”)

Patrick Weil, La France et ses étrangers: L'aventure d'une politique de l'immigration de 1938 à nos jours (1991), introduction et conclusion.

Catherine Wihtol de Wenden, La citoyenneté européenne, chap. 3

Week 3. February 11. La Citoyenneté

Catherine Wihtol de Wenden, La citoyenneté européenne, introduction, chap. 1, et 2.

Intervention: Mathias Le Bossé, L'espace européen.

Week 4. February 17, 18. La Citoyenneté européenne et l'immigration

Intervention: Catherine Wihtol de Wenden

Wihtol de Wenden, La citoyenneté européenne, chap. 4 et conclusion.

Catherine Wihtol de Wenden, Faut-il ouvrir les frontières? (extraits)

Catherine Wihtol de Wenden, “Post-Amsterdam Migration Policy and European Citizenship,” European Journal of Migration and Law 1 (1999): 89-101

Conférence de Wihtol de Wenden le Jeudi 17, après midi.

Week 5. Feb 24, 25. Immigration

Intervention: Bernard Noël

Week 6. March 3, 4. Les sans papiers

Intervention: Mireille Rosselo

Week 7. March 9, 10. Ethnicité et multiculturalisme

Jean-Loup Amselle, Vers un multiculturalisme français: L'empire de la coutume (Aubier, 1996)

Michel Wieviorka et al., La France raciste (Seuil, 1992), pp. 9-41; 70-110; 341-350.

5 page paper due March 10

Week 8. Spring Break

Week 9. March 23, 24. La citoyenneté des femmes et le mouvement pour la parité

Olivier Le Cour Grandmaison, Les citoyennetés en révolution, 1789-1794 (PUF, 1992), Troisième partie, chap. 3: “Des femmes: ou l'impossible citoyenneté.”

Janine Mossuz-Lavau, Femmes/hommes : pour la parité (Paris, 1998), 7-27, 65-111.

Le piège de la parité. Arguments pour un débat (Paris, 1999), 12-25, 52-55; 58-61; 64-65; 101-103, 112-116, 123-134, 151-157.

Françoise Gaspard, “La République et les femmes,” dans Michel Wieviorka et al., Une société fragmentée? Le multiculturalisme en débat (La découverte, 1996), 152-170.

Week 10. March 31. Le Citoyen et la nation

Week 11. April 6, 7. La relation franco-allemande

Intervention: Bernard Brigouleix

Week 12. April 13, 14. Religion, laïcité et citoyenneté

Françoise Gaspard et Farhad Khosrokhavar, Le foulard et la République (Paris, 1995), 11-69

Jocelyne Césari, Faut-il avoir peur de l'Islam? (Paris, 1999), 7-9, 30-50, 104-127.

Guy Bedouelle, Laïcité à la française (Paris, 1998)

Jocelyne Césari, Musulmans et républicains: les jeunes, l'islam et la France (Bruxelles, 1998).

Week 13. April 20, 21. La tradition républicaine française en question

Invité: Jean-Philippe Mathy, University of Illinois-Urbana.

Régis Debray, Contretemps (Paris: Gallimard, 1992), chapitre 2

Emmanuel Todd, Le destin des immigrés (Paris: Seuil, 1994), chap. 9

Francoise Gaspard et Farhad Khosrokhavar, Le foulard et la république (La Découverte, 1995), 163-191.

Tzvetan Todorov, Nous et les autres (Paris: Seuil, 1989): les dix dernières pages du livre intitulées "Un humanisme bien tempéré".

Et si possible, Julia Kristeva, "Lettre ouverte à Harlem Desir" et "La nation et le mot" dans Lettre ouverte à Harlem Desir (Paris: Rivages, 1990)

Week 14. April 27, 28. Comparaisons européennes

Tony Judt, A Grand Illusion

Edgar Morin, Penser l'Europe

Week 15. May 4, 5. Les élections européennes de 1999

5 Mai: Conclusions

Final paper due Wednesday May 17.