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## **239910 Entanglements: Inequalities and/as Intersectionalities in the Americas (S)**

Recently, there is a growing academic interest in transnationalism and transnational flows of people, goods, capital and cultural products. These phenomena are usually interpreted as relatively new and related to "globalization". Simultaneously, an increasing interest in inequalities both within and between different world regions can be observed. This seminar seeks to bring into dialogue approaches on "inequalities" on the macro level (global, transnational, transregional) with approaches focusing on the "intersectionality" - or interrelatedness - of different axes of stratification on the micro level (such as race, class, gender, sexuality, religion). In the Americas in particular, current hierarchizations are marked by historical and geographical interdependencies and deeply affected by the legacy of colonization, the transatlantic slave trade, and the succeeding dominance of Western forms of knowledge and representation. Consequently, such (often enforced) transnational and transcultural encounters have a long trajectory in the Americas.

### **Course requirements:**

Regular and active attendance; in-class presentation;  
For more LP: written paper (20 pgs.)

### **Schedule:**

#### **1. Introduction of Concepts and Methodologies**

April 9, 2014: *Introduction, expectation, course requirements*  
Central terms and concepts: Inequality, Entanglements, Intersectionalities

*Hand in questions on G. Therborn's text by April 15!*

*April 11 and 12: Workshop "Entangled Spaces in the Americas: Concepts and Case Studies" – feel free to join!*  
<http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/cias/Plakat-Workshop-April.pdf>

April 16, 2014: **Inequalities**  
Göran Therborn. "Inequalities in Latin America: From the Enlightenment to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," *desigualdades.net Working Paper*, Nr. 1, 2011,  
[http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working\\_Paper/WPTherbornOnline.pdf?1379069281](http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working_Paper/WPTherbornOnline.pdf?1379069281)  
(to be read by all)

*Early (Feminist) Interventions to Universal Concepts of Inequality:*  
- Mary Wollstonecraft, "A Vindication of the Rights of Women" (1792):  
<http://oregonstate.edu/instruct/phl302/texts/wollstonecraft/woman-contents.html>  
- Olympe du Gouge, "Declaration of the Rights of Women" (1791):  
<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/1791degouge1.asp>  
- Toussiant L'Ouverture, Haitian Revolution:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sr-jO2DbkGU>  
- S. Truth "Aren't I a Woman?" (1853) (5 min video):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsjdLL3MrKk>

*prepare Text by V. Schild, formulate questions for discussion (mail by April 22!)*  
(to be read by all)

April 23, 2014:

### **Guest Lecture**

Verónica Schild (Ontario, Canada):

*Thinking Transnationally through a “Situated Approach”:  
Latin American Feminism and Anti-Capitalist Commitment*

April 30, 2014:

### **Inequalities Unbound – Thinking Inequalities Transnationally**

Roberto P. Korzeniewicz, Timothy P. Moran. “Introduction,” in: *ibid.*, *Unveiling Inequality: A World-Historical Perspective*. New York: Russel Sage Foundation, 2009, xiii-xxiii.

(to be read by all)

(Presentation )

Manuela Boatcă. “Global Inequalities: Transnational Processes and Transregional Entanglements,” *desiguALdades.net Working Paper*, Nr. 11, 2011,

[http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working\\_Paper/WP\\_Boatca\\_Online.pdf?1380102531](http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working_Paper/WP_Boatca_Online.pdf?1380102531)

(Presentation)

#### Additional Reading:

Roberto P. Korzeniewicz, Timothy P. Moran. “Global Stratification and the Three Paths of Social Mobility I,” in: *ibid.*, *Unveiling Inequality: A World-Historical Perspective*. New York: Russel Sage Foundation, 2009, 89-112.

(and/or *desiguALdades.net* Working Paper:

[http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working\\_Paper/WP\\_Korzeniewicz\\_Online.pdf?1380102322](http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working_Paper/WP_Korzeniewicz_Online.pdf?1380102322))

May 7, 2014:

### **Entanglements**

The Bielefeld Entanglements Approach and the Subsistence Perspective:

Maria Mies. “The Subsistence Perspective,”

[http://republicart.net/disc/aeas/mies01\\_en.htm](http://republicart.net/disc/aeas/mies01_en.htm)

(to be read by all)

(Presentation)

Shalini Randeria “Unraveling Ties: Disciplinary Legacies and Changing Cartographies“ (with Elisio Macamo and Ivan Krastev), in: Elkana, Yehuda et al. (eds.): *Unraveling Ties: From Social Cohesion to New Practices of Connectedness*, Frankfurt a.M.: Campus Verlag, pp. 11-21.

<http://www.ethno.uzh.ch/publications/pdfs/2002UnravelingTiesDisciplinaryLegacies.pdf>

(to be read by all)

(Presentation)

or (in German): “Geteilte Geschichte und verwobene Moderne,” in: Rösen, Jörn et al. (eds.): *Zukunftsentwürfe: Ideen für eine Kultur der Veränderung*, Frankfurt a.M.: Campus Verlag, pp. 87-96.

#### Additional Reading:

Maria Mies and Veronika Bennholdt-Thomsen, “Introduction,” and “The History of the Subsistence Approach,” in: *ibid.* *The Subsistence Perspective: Beyond the Globalised Economy*, ZedBooks, 2000.

May 14, 2014:

### **Intersectionalities**

*The Combahee River Collective Statement*,

<http://circuitous.org/scraps/combahee.html>

G. Anzaldúa. *Borderlands/La Frontera. The New Mestiza*. Austin: Aunt Lute Books, 1987. (excerpt)

P. Wade: *Race and Sex in Latin America*. London: Pluto Press, 2009 (excerpt)

May 21, 2014 and  
May 28, 2014:

LASA conference Chicago – Reading Week, **no class**

*Prepare topics for paper (to be presented on July 9)*

## **2. Bringing the Concepts Together** **Entangled Inequalities**

June 4, 2014:

*1 text to be chosen by everyone:*

Sérgio Costa. "Researching Entangled Inequalities in Latin America. The Role of Historical, Social, and Transregional Interdependencies," *desiguALdades.net* Working Paper No. 12, Berlin: desiguALdades.net, 2011  
[http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working\\_Paper/WP\\_Costa\\_Online.pdf?1379512035](http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working_Paper/WP_Costa_Online.pdf?1379512035)  
(Presentation)

Julia Roth. "Entangled Inequalities as Intersectionalities: Towards an Epistemic Sensibilization," *desiguALdades.net* Working Paper No. 43, Berlin, 2013,  
[http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working\\_Paper/43\\_WP\\_Roth\\_Online.pdf?1367229865](http://www.desigualdades.net/bilder/Working_Paper/43_WP_Roth_Online.pdf?1367229865)  
(Presentation)

Floya Anthias. "Belongings in a Globalising and Unequal World: rethinking translocations," [http://www.corwin.com/upm-data/11786\\_ChapterOne.pdf](http://www.corwin.com/upm-data/11786_ChapterOne.pdf)  
(Presentation)

## **3. Case Studies**

June 11, 2014:

### **(Sex) Tourism and Entangled Inequalities**

*1 text to be chosen by everyone:*

Sánchez Taylor, Jacqueline. "Sex Tourism and Inequalities," in: Cole, Stroma and Nigel Morgan (eds.). *Tourism and Inequalities. Problems and Prospects*. Oxwordshire: CABI, 2010, 49-66.  
(Presentation)

Kempadoo, Kemala. "Introduction: Globalizing Sex Workers Rights," in: Kempadoo, Kemala and Jo Doezema (eds.) *Global Sex Workers: Right, Resistance, and Redefinition*. New York/London: Routledge, 1998, 1-27.  
(Presentation)

June 18, 2014:

### **Care Chains: Inequalities, Intersectionalities, and Migration**

Film "HAUS-HALT-HILFE", (D: 2006) <http://www.haus-halt-hilfe.de/kurzinhalt.php>

Anna Triandafyllidou. "Irregular Migration and Domestic Work in Europe: Who Cares?," ibd (ed.) *Irregular Migration and Domestic Work in Europe*, Ashgate, 2013.  
(to be read by all)  
(Presentation)

**Text Carmen Fernández Casanueva (tba) >>> formulate questions for discussion!**

June 25, 2014:

### **Guest Lecture**

Carmen Fernández Casanueva (Tapachula, Mexico) (tbc):  
*Building Migratory Trajectories. Guatemalans, Salvadorans and Hondurans at the Southern Mexican Border*

July 2, 2014:

### **Cultural Representations of Entangled Inequalities: Film**

Film "Babel" (d: Alejandro González Iñárritu, 2006)  
(Presentation)

Film "Princesas" (d: Fernando León de Aranoa, 2005)  
(Presentation)

July 9, 2014:

Presentation of Students' Projects (for term papers)

July 16, 2014:

*Final discussion, Feedback, Course Requirements*

You find all texts at the StudIP Platform (and/or under the indicated links):  
[https://elearning.uni-bielefeld.de/studip/seminar\\_main.php?auswahl=eb73213fb9ebb05a77ee7e0b761d693f](https://elearning.uni-bielefeld.de/studip/seminar_main.php?auswahl=eb73213fb9ebb05a77ee7e0b761d693f)