

Identity, Culture and Difference (1516)

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Level 5 unit offered by the Department of Sociology. Your unit leaders for 2015-2016 are Shoba Arun and Christian Klesse

125 items

Items for purchase (2 items)

Identity: a reader, by Evans, Jessica; Du Gay, Paul; Redman, Peter; Open University, 2000

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Beginning postcolonialism, by McLeod, John, c2010

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Essential reading (11 items)

Cultural studies: theory and practice, by Barker, Chris, 2012

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Representation: cultural representations and signifying practices, by Hall, Stuart; Open University, 1997

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Colonialism/postcolonialism, by Loomba, Ania, 2005

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Racialization: studies in theory and practice, by Murji, Karim; Solomos, John, 2005

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Pierre Bourdieu, by Grenfell, Michael, 2008

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Judith Butler: from norms to politics, by Lloyd, Moya, 2007

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#)

Michel Foucault, by Smart, Barry; NetLibrary, Inc, 2002

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Feminist genealogies, colonial legacies, democratic futures, by Alexander, M. Jacqui, 1996

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#)

Gender & sexuality: critical theories, critical thinkers, by Beasley, Chris, 2005

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Rethinking sexuality, by Richardson, Diane, 2000

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#)

Questioning identity: gender, class, ethnicity, by Woodward, Kath; Open University; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004

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Further reading (18 items)

The location of culture, by Bhabha, Homi K., 2004, c1994

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Distinction: a social critique of the judgement of taste, by Bourdieu, Pierre, 1986

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Theorizing diaspora: a reader, by Braziel, Jana Evans; Mannur, Anita, 2003

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Masculinities, by Connell, R. W., 2005

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Rethinking class: cultures, identities and lifestyles, by Devine, Fiona, 2005

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

White: essays on race and culture, by Dyer, Richard, 1996

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Undoing culture: globalization, postmodernism and identity, by Featherstone, Mike, 1995

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Body modification, by Featherstone, Mike; Nottingham Trent University, 2000

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

The black Atlantic: modernity and double consciousness, by Gilroy, Paul, [1993]

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Questions of cultural identity, by Du Gay, Paul; Hall, Stuart, 1996

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Feminist theory: from margin to center, by Hooks, Bell, 2000

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Queer theory: an introduction, by Jagose, Annamarie, 1996

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Globalization: theory and practice, by Kofman, Eleonore; Youngs, Gillian, 2003

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Discourse, by Mills, Sara; NetLibrary, Inc, c2004

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Orientalism, by Said, Edward W., 2003

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Class, self, culture, by Skeggs, Beverley, 2004

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Theorizing intersectionality and sexuality, by Taylor, Yvette; Hines, Sally; Casey, Mark E., c2011

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Colonial fantasies: towards a feminist reading of Orientalism, by YeN

genoN

glu, Meyda, 1998

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Autumn Term (43 items)

Block 1: Theoretical and Historical Perspectives (30 items)

Week 1: Theories of Identity, Culture and Difference – Concepts and Questions (2 items)

Chapter 1: Question of Identities, by Woodward, Kath; Open University; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | KEY READING. Chapter from 'Questioning identity: gender, class, ethnicity'

The power of identity, by Castells, Manuel, c2010

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 2: Post-Colonialist Discourses and Identities (4 items)

Colonialism/postcolonialism, by Ania Loomba, 2005

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC - Please read Chapter 1: 'Situating Colonial and Post-Colonial Studies'

The Discourse of Cultural Imperialism - in Cultural imperialism: a critical introduction, by John Tomlinson, 2001, c1991

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Post-colonial studies: the key concepts, by Ashcroft, Bill; Ashcroft, Bill; Griffiths, Gareth; Tiffin, Helen, c2007

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Black skin, white masks, by Fanon, Frantz, 2008

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 3: Nationalism, National Identity and Belonging (5 items)

Imagined communities: reflections on the origin and spread of nationalism, by Benedict R. O'G. Anderson, 2006

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#)

Beginning postcolonialism, by John McLeod, c2010

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | Please read 'The Nation in Question' '

National identity, popular culture and everyday life, by Tim Edensor, c2002

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Nations and nationalism, by Ernest Gellner; John Breuilly, 2008

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#)

Between camps: nations, cultures and the allure of race, by Paul Gilroy; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Week 4: Racialised Identities: Social Construction of Race (13 items)

Race, Power and Knowledge - in Social differences and divisions, by Karim Murji, 2002

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Riotous citizens: ethnic conflict in multicultural Britain, by Bagguley, Paul; Yasmin Hussain, c2008

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Black skin, white masks, by Fanon, Frantz, 2008

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

The end of tolerance: racism in 21st century Britain, by Kundnani, Arun, 2007

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Questioning identity: gender, class, ethnicity, by Woodward, Kath; Open University; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Globalization and Culture - in Globalization and culture, by John Tomlinson, 1999

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

The Deterritorialization of Culture - in The turbulence of migration: globalization, deterritorialization and hybridity, by Nikos Papastergiadis, 2000

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Theories of race and racism: a reader, by Back, Les; Solomos, John; NetLibrary, Inc, 2000

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Disjuncture and Difference in the Global Culture Economy - in Theory, culture, 1990

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#)

Migrant Communities and Class: Croats in Western Australia, by Kennedy, Paul T; Roudometof, Victor; NetLibrary, Inc, 2003

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#)

New transnational social spaces: international migration and transnational companies in the early twenty-first century, by Pries, Ludger; NetLibrary, Inc, 2001

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Transnationalism, by Vertovec, Steven, 2009

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Subjects of Sex, Gender/Desire, by Butler, Judith, 1999

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 5: Migration, Mobilities and Identities (6 items)

Migration and Women's Work in Europe - in Gender and international migration in Europe: employment, welfare and politics, by Eleonore Kofman et al, 2000

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Hybridity and its discontents: politics, science, culture, by Brah, A.; Coombes, Annie E., 2000

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Global diasporas: an introduction, by Cohen, Robin; NetLibrary, Inc, 2001

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Migrant women transforming citizenship: life-stories from Britain and Germany, by Erel, Umut, 2009

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Migration, domestic work and affect: a decolonial approach on value and the feminization of labor, by

Gutir

rez

Rodrg

uez,

Encarnacin

, 2010

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Home territories: media, mobility and identity, by Morley, Dave; NetLibrary, Inc, 2000

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Block 2: Cultural identities (13 items)

Week 8: Nationalism, Race and Ethnicity (3 items)

Chapter 4: The Nation in Question, by McLeod, John, c2010[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#)

Between camps: nations, cultures and the allure of race, by Gilroy, Paul; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Transnationalism, by Vertovec, Steven, 2009[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 10: Representing Race/ Mediating Race (4 items)

Chapter 8: In Whose Image? TV Criticism and Black Minority Viewers, by Ross, K, 2000[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#)

The Spectacle of the 'Other' - in Representation: cultural representations and signifying practices, by Stuart Hall, 1997[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Representing 'race': racisms, ethnicities and media, by Downing, John; Husband, Charles, 2005[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Representing black Britain: a history of black and Asian images on British television, by Malik, Sarita, 2002[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 11: Understanding Whiteness (2 items)

Chapter 4: Dreaming of a White..., by Gabriel, J, 2000[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#)

All White In Barking[Webpage](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 12: Gendering Differences and Identities (4 items)

Chapter 6: Post-Colonialism and Feminism, by McLeod, John, c2010[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#)

Dangerous brown men: exploiting sex, violence and feminism in the war on terror, by Bhattacharyya, Gargi, 2008[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Gender trouble: feminism and the subversion of identity, by Butler, Judith, 1999[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Gender, race and national identity: nations of flesh and blood, by Hogan, Jackie, 2009[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Spring Term (51 items)

Block 3: Identities, Culture, and Power (15 items)

Week 1: Power and the making of identities: ideology, discourse and 'performativity' (from Althusser to Judith Butler) (6 items)

Foucault, Femininity, and the Modernization of Patriarchal Power - in *Feminism & Foucault: reflections on resistance*, by Sandra Lee Bartky, 1988

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

The Subject and Power - in *Critical Inquiry*, by Michel Foucault, 1982

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#) | Article in 'Critical Inquiry' 8(8): 777-95. [Read until page 785]

An introduction to theories of popular culture, by Dominic Strinati; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#) | Read the sections on Marx and Althusser, pp. 119-148

Sexual Politics, Performativity, Parody (Judith Butler) - in *Politics of sexuality: identity, gender, citizenship*, by Moya Lloyd, 1998

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Undoing gender, by Butler, Judith, 2004

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Chapter 1: Question of Identities, by Woodward, Kath; Open University; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | Chapter from 'Questioning identity: gender, class, ethnicity'

Week 2: Cultural domination (or resistance) through the creation of consensus: Gramsci and the concept of hegemony (4 items)

An introduction to theories of popular culture, by Dominic Strinati; NetLibrary, Inc, 2004

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | Read the sections on Gramsci, pp. 148-163

Gramsci's political thought: an introduction, by Roger Simon, c2001

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | Read chapter 2, 'Gramsci's Concept of Hegemony' pp.22-30.

Keywords: a vocabulary of culture and society, by Raymond Williams, 1985, c1983

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#) | Read the entry on 'Hegemony' pp.144-146

Gramsci's Relevance for the Study of Race and Ethnicity - in *Journal of Communication Inquiry*, by S. Hall, 1986-06-01

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#) | Article in 'Journal of Communication Inquiry' 10 pp. 5-27

Week 3: Bodies, class culture and cultural capital: the work of Pierre Bourdieu on the cultural reproduction of class relations (5 items)

The Forms of Capital - in *Handbook of theory and research for the sociology of education*, by Pierre Bourdieu, 1986

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Practice, Habitus and Field - in Pierre Bourdieu, by Richard Jenkins, 2002

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Context and Background: Pierre Bourdieu's Analysis of Class, Gender and Sexuality - in Feminism after Bourdieu, by Beverley Skeggs, 2004

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Social Stratification and Social Inequality: Models of Intersectionality and Identity - in Rethinking class: cultures, identities and lifestyles, by Floya Anthias, 2005

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Consumption and the Problem of Variety: Cultural Omnivoreness, Social Distinction and Dining Out - in Sociology, 1999

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#)

Block 4: Bodies, Genders and Sexualities (27 items)

Week 4: Masculinities: gender diversity, relationality and hierarchy (5 items)

State Racism and Muslim Men as Racialised Threat - in Dangerous brown men: exploiting sex, violence and feminism in the war on terror, by Gargi Bhattacharyya, 2008

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

The Social Organisation of Masculinity - in Masculinities, by Raewyn Connell, 2005

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

From Hegemonic Masculinity to the Hegemony of Men - in Feminist Theory, by Jeff Hearn, 2004-04-01

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Rethinking Hegemonic Masculinity in a Globalizing World - in Men and Masculinities, by C. Beasley, 2008-10-01

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#) | Article in 'Men and Masculinities' 11(1) pp.86-103

European perspectives on men and masculinities: national and transnational approaches, by Hearn, Jeff; Pringle, Keith; CROME (Organization), 2009

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 5: Femininities: difference, diversity and representation (4 items)

Dreams, Questions and Struggles – Reflections on a Movement - in Dreams, questions, struggles: South Asian women in Britain, by Amrit Wilson, 2006

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

White Woman Listen! Black Feminism and the Boundaries of Sisterhood - in The Empire strikes back: race and racism in 70s Britain, by Hazel V. Carby, 1982

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Black feminist thought: knowledge, consciousness, and the politics of empowerment, by Hill Collins, Patricia; NetLibrary, Inc, 2000

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Why Suzie Wong is not a Lesbian: Asian and Asian American Lesbian and Bisexual Women and Femme/Butch/Gender Identities - in *Queer studies: a lesbian, gay, bisexual & transgender anthology*, by JeeYeun Lee, c1996

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Week 6: On being 'queer' or trans* in a 'straight' culture: lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender identities (12 items)

Beyond the Closet? The Changing Social Meaning of Homosexuality in the United States - in *Sexualities*, by S. Seidman; C. Meeks; F. Traschen, 1999-02-01

[Article](#) | [Essential reading](#) | Article in *Sexualities* 2(1) pp. 9-34

Theorizing Homophobia - in *Sexualities*, by B. D. Adam, 1998-11-01

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#) | Article in *Sexualities* 1(4) pp.387-404

Identity and Politics in a "Postmodern" Gay Culture: Some Historical and Conceptual Notes - in *Fear of a queer planet: queer politics and social theory*, by Steven Seidman, 1997

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Rethinking Sexuality, by Diane Richardson, 2000

[Book](#) | [Essential reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#) - Please read 'Theorising Heterosexuality' Pages 19-34

The concise encyclopedia of sociology, by George Ritzer; J. Michael Ryan, 2011

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#). Read Christian Klesse's entry 'Coming out/closets', pp.71-72

Gender & sexuality: critical theories, critical thinkers, by Beasley, Chris, 2005

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Sexuality and society: an introduction, by Bhattacharyya, Gargi, 2002

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

The Ashgate research companion to queer theory, by Giffney, Noreen; O'Rourke, Michael, c2009

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

A companion to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer studies, by Haggerty, George E.; McGarry, Molly, 2007

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Saint Foucault: towards a gay hagiography, by Halperin, David M., 1995

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Queer attachments: the cultural politics of shame, by Munt, Sally, 2007

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Theorizing intersectionality and sexuality, by Taylor, Yvette; Hines, Sally; Casey, Mark E., c2011

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 7: Identities, subcultures and body modifications: the case of tattooing (6 items)

The Creation of Meaning I: The New Text - in Bodies of inscription: a cultural history of the modern tattoo community, by Margo DeMello, c2000

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

Punk, Porn and Resistance: Carnivalization and The Body in Popular Culture - in Current Sociology, by L. Langman, 2008-07-01

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#) | Article in 'Current Sociology' 56: 657

Body piercing and identity construction: a comparative perspective - New York, New Orleans, Wroclaw, by Lisiunia A. Romanienko, 2011

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#) | ELECTRONIC. Read chapter 1: 'Nonverbal communication', pp.1-12 AND chapter 2: 'Verbal communication', pp.13-32

In the flesh: the cultural politics of body modification, by Pitts-Taylor, Victoria, 2003

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Nonmainstream Body Modification: Genital Piercing, Branding, Burning, and Cutting - in Journal of contemporary ethnography, 1992

[Article](#) | [Further reading](#)

Contested bodies, by Holliday, Ruth; Hassard, John; NetLibrary, Inc, 2001

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Block 6: Theories of Cultural mixing (9 items)

Week 8: Process of cultural mixing: hybridity and creolisation (5 items)

Introduction - The Creolization Debate: Analysing Mixed Identities and Cultures - in The creolization reader: studies in mixed identities and cultures, by Robin Cohen; Paola Toninato, 2010

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | ELECTRONIC

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olite

and creolization, by Okwui Enwezor, 2003

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#) | Please read pages 27-41: 'Créolité and the Process of Creolization'

Introduction: The Dialectics of Cultural Hybridity - in Debating cultural hybridity: multi-cultural identities and the politics of anti-racism, by Pnina Werbner, 1997

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Beyond dichotomies: histories, identities, cultures, and the challenge of globalization, by M. Elisabeth Mudimbe-boyi, ©2002

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#). Read Glissant, E. 'The unforeseeable diversity of the world', pp.287-295

Poetics of relation, by

E

douard Glissant, c1997

[Book](#) | [Further reading](#)

Week 9: Borderlands/La Fontera: Mestizaje and cultural theory (2 items)

Julie Tolentino's Queer Mestiza: Unsettling a White Western Order of Subjectivity and Belonging - in Contemporary theatre review, by Pakis, Elisavet, 2014

[Article](#) | [Essential reading](#) | Article in 'Contemporary Theatre Review' 24(1): 21-39

Making Alliances, Queerness, and Bridging Conocimientos - An Interview with Jamie Lee Evans - in Interviews =: Entrevistas, by Gloria E.

Anzaldú

a, 2000

[Chapter](#) | [Further reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Week 10: Differences that matter: genealogies, legacies, movements: a revision lecture (2 items)

Introduction: Genealogies, Legacies, Movements - in Feminist genealogies, colonial legacies, democratic futures, by M. Jacqui Alexander; Chandra Talpade Mohanty, 1996

[Chapter](#) | [Essential reading](#) | [ELECTRONIC](#)

Beyond dichotomies: histories, identities, cultures, and the challenge of globalization, by M. Elisabeth Mudimbe-boyi, ©2002

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