

## **HUSO 1182 Race, Ethnicity and Racism**

First semester 2003

### **Lecture Guide**

There is no set text for this subject. The readings cited for each week are found in the Course Pack. It is strongly recommended that you buy a copy from the RMIT bookshop.

#### **1. week one: Introduction- Empires, and Human Difference**

##### **themes:**

racial violence and racial stereotypes:  
 the historical background  
 the Age of Empire 1885-1914  
 racism and the body: racism and the mind.

Reading: 1. Thomas Sowell "Conquest and Culture" chapter three in Race and Culture: A World View New York: Basic Books, 1994. pp. 61-80.

Reading: 2. Henry Reynolds "Confronting the Realities of Race" in Why Weren't We Told Ringwood: Viking Books, 1999. pp.41-60

##### **Background reading:**

Michael Banton Racial Theories Cambridge. Cambridge University Press, 1989.

Alfred Crosby Ecological Imperialism Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995.

David Goldberg Racist Culture Oxford: Blackwell, 1993.

Stephen Jay Gould The Mismeasure of Man New York: W.W.Norton & Co, 1981.

Eric Hobsbawm The Age of Empire, 1875-1914 New York: Vintage Books, 1989.

Kenan Malik The Meaning of Race: Race, History and Culture in Western Society London: MacMillan, 1996.

Henry Reynolds Why Weren't We Told Sydney: Viking books, 1999.

#### **2. week two: Theories of the Body- Arthur de Gobineau and Francis Galton**

**themes**

racial markers

physiques and civil virtue

two theorists:

Arthur de Gobineau(1816-1882)

Francis Galton (1822-1911).

Reading: 1 Arthur de Gobineau The Moral and Intellectual Diversity of Races 1853.

Reading 2: Francis Galton Hereditary Genius: An Inquiry into its Laws and Consequences

Reading 3: Kenan Malik "From Romantic Reaction to Scientific Racism" in Race, History and Culture in Western Society pp.84-100.

**Background reading:**

Michael Biddiss Arthur de Gobineau: Father of Racist Ideology London: Weidenfield and Nicolson, 1970.

Arthur de Gobineau The Moral and Intellectual Diversity of Races 1853.

Francis Galton Hereditary Genius: An Inquiry into its Laws and Consequences London: Julian Friedman, 1979.

Francis Galton Inquiries into Human Faculty and Its Development. London: J. M. Dent, 1908.

Francis Galton Narrative of an Explorer in Tropical South Africa. London: Ward, Lock, 1889.

Stephen Jay Gould The Mismeasure of Man New York: W.W.Norton & Co, 1981.

**3. week three: Slavery: The Slave Owning States of America** (Dr. Judy Smart)**themes:**

the American south

the life of a slave

civil rights and human status

Reading: 1 Kenan Malik "Equality, Slavery and Private Property" in The Meaning of Race: Race, History and Culture in Western Society pp. 61-70.

Reading 2: Wendell Holmes Stephenson "Documents" Blacks in Late Nineteenth Century America

Reading 3: Glen Lerner "Documents" Black Women in White America New York: Random House.

### **Background reading:**

Philip Curtin The Atlantic Slave Trade: A Census Madison: 1969

Fredrickson, George White Supremacy: A Comparative study in American and South African History. New York: Oxford University Press, 1981.

W.King Stolen Childhood: Slave Youth in 19<sup>th</sup> Century America 306.40994 M258

Orlando Patterson Slavery and Social Death: A Comparative Study Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1982.

Hugh Thomas The Slave trade: The History of the Atlantic Slave Trade 1440-1870 New York: Picador, 1997.

## **4. week four: Bodies, Minds and Mentalities**

### **themes**

new forms of representation  
intelligence and race  
the psychologist Stanley Porteus.

Reading: 1 Michael Levin Why Race Matters Westport: Praeger, 1997.

Reading: 2 L. Levy-Bruhl "Introduction" and "Conclusion" in Primitive Mentality. New York: MacMillan, 1923.

### **Background reading:**

A.P.Elkin The Australian Aborigines Sydney: Angus & Robertson, 1938.

James.M. Lawler IQ, Heritability and Racism: A Marxist Critique of Jensen London: Lawrence & Wishart, 1978.

L. Levy-Bruhl The Notebooks on Primitive Mentality. Translated by Peter Riviere. London: Harper & Row, 1978.

L. Levy-Bruhl Primitive Mentality. New York: MacMillan, 1923.

Stanley Porteus The Psychology of a Primitive People. New York: Books for Libraries Press, 1931.

Stanley Porteus Primitive Intelligence and Environment. New York: MacMillan, 1937.

Stanley Porteus, & Marjorie Babcock, Temperament and Race. Boston: Richard G. Badger, 1926.

## 5. week five: Sex and Race- The Bright Side of Racial Mythologies

### themes

Margaret Mead and Samoa:  
the other side of racial discourse  
sexual liberation

Reading 1: Margaret Mead Coming of Age in Samoa. London: Penguin Books, 1966.  
pp. 74-91.

Reading 2: Jane Howard Margaret Mead: A Life New York: Simon & Schuster, 1984.  
pp. 137-54

### Background reading:

Derek Freeman Margaret Mead and Samoa: The Making and the Unmaking of an Anthropological Myth. Canberra: Australian National University Press, 1983.

Jane Howard Margaret Mead: A Life New York: Simon & Schuster, 1984.

Margaret Mead Coming of Age in Samoa. London: Penguin Books, 1966.

Bronislaw Malinowski The Sexual Life of Savages in North Western Melanesia  
London Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1929.

## 6. week six: Sex and Race- Maintaining Boundaries

### themes

boundaries and contagion  
sexual and political threat  
settler identities  
poor whites and Coloureds

Reading 1: Ann Stoler "Carnal Knowledge and Imperial power: Gender, race and Morality in Colonial Asia" in Micaela di Leonardo (ed). Gender at the Crossroads of Knowledge; Feminist Anthropology in the Postmodern Era Berkeley: University of California Press, 1991, pp. 51-101.

Reading 2: Amirah Inglis Not a White Woman Safe: Sexual Anxiety and Politics in Port Moresby 1920-1934. Canberra: Australian National University Press, 1974.  
pp. 11-24

Reading 3: Ronald Hyam Empire and Sexuality: The British Experience. Manchester: Manchester University Press, 1990. pp. 1-3; 25-26; 88-91.

Reading 4: Jock McCulloch Black Virtue and White Peril: Sexual Politics in Southern Rhodesia 1902 to 1935. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2000.

### **Background reading:**

Saul Dubow Scientific Racism in Modern South Africa Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995.

Claudia Knapman White Women in Fiji 1835-1930 : The Ruin of Empire... Sydney: Allen & Unwin, 1986.

## **7. week seven: Colonial Rule: Policies of Assimilation and Association in Vietnam and Indonesia**

### **themes**

Vietnam and Indonesia: western attitudes and assumptions  
colonial policies and racism  
assimilation and association

1. "Poem on True Heroism" in Truong Buu Lam Patterns of Vietnamese Response to Foreign Intervention 1858-1900, Monograph Series, No. 11, Southeast Asian Studies, Yale University, 1967, Document 20, pp.140-148.

2. "The Image of the Javanese from the Eighteenth to the Twentieth Century" in Alatas, Syed Hussein, The Myth of the Lazy Native, Frank Cass, London, 1969. pp.61-68.

3. "Tropical Climate: Influences" in Savage, Victor, R. Western Impressions of Nature and Landscape in Southeast Asia, Singapore University Press, Singapore, 1984. pp. 169-179.

4. "Franck, Harry A. " Franco-Vietnamese Liaisons" and "Racial Attitudes" in Saunders, Graham, Tropical Interludes, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1998, Documents 40,42,

pp. 213-215, 219-222.

### **Background Reading:**

Bastin, J & Benda, H.J. A History of Modern Southeast Asia: Colonialism, Nationalism and Decolonization, Englewood Cliffs, 1986.

Betts, Raymond, F. Assimilation and Association in French Colonial Theory, 1890-1914, AMS Press, New York, 1961.

Chandler, David, 'Minding the Children: French Images of the Vietnamese, 1860-1890', Historian, 26, Oct. 1974.

Cooper, Frederick & Stoler, Ann, (eds.) Tensions of Empire: colonial cultures in a bourgeois world, University of California Press, Berkeley, 1997.

Stoler, A. L, Capitalism and Confrontation in Sumatra's Plantation Belt, 1870-1979, New Haven, Conn., 1985.

### **8. Week eight: Psychiatry and Race**

depth psychology and colonial peoples

vulgar versus scientific racism:

politics and cultural style

oriental values:

Reading 1: J.C. Carothers "Frontal Lobe Function in the African" Journal of Mental Science, Vol. 97, 1952, pp. 122-48.

Reading 2: Megan Vaughan "Colonial Psychiatry" in Curing Their Ills Cambridge: Polity press, 1994 pp. 98-125.

### **Background reading:**

Elazar Barkan The Retreat of Scientific Racism Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1992.

J.C. Carothers The African Mind in Health and Disease: A Study in Ethnopsychiatry. Geneva: World Health Organisation, 1953.

J.C. Carothers The Mind of Man in Africa. London: Tom Stacey, 1972.

J.C. Carothers The Psychology of Mau Mau. Nairobi: Government Printer, 1954.

O. Mannoni Prospero and Caliban: The Psychology of Colonization. New York: Frederick A Praeger 1964.

Jock McCulloch Black Soul, White Artefact: Fanon's Clinical Psychology and Social Theory. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1983.

Jock McCulloch Colonial Psychiatry and the 'African Mind'. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995.

John F. Ritchie The African as Suckling and as Adult Manchester: Rhodes-Livingstone Institute, 1968.

## **9. week nine: Frantz Fanon and a New Theory**

themes

the new international environment  
third world nationalism  
medicine and colonial domination  
racism and culture

Reading 1: UN. Charter on Human Rights

Readings: 2 Frantz Fanon "Medicine and Colonialism" in A Dying Colonialism London: Penguin Books, 1965. pp. 102-126.

Reading: 3 Frantz Fanon in "Racism and Culture" (1956) Toward the African Revolution. London: Pelican Books, 1967.

### **Background reading:**

Frantz Fanon, Black Skin, White Masks. London: MacGibbon and Kee, 1967.

Jock McCulloch Black Soul, White Artefact: Fanon's Clinical Psychology and Social Theory. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1983.

## **10. week nine: Racialised States- South Africa and Apartheid**

themes

race and power  
dividing social space  
ideologies and difference

Reading 1: "Apartheid 1948-1961" in W.Beinart Twentieth-Century South Africa Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1994. pp. 137-162

Reading 2: Maynard S.Swanson "The Sanitation Syndrome" in W.Beinart & Saul Dubow eds Segregation and Apartheid in Twentieth Century South Africa London: Routledge, 1995.

**Background reading:**

W.Beinart & Saul Dubow eds Segregation and Apartheid in Twentieth Century South Africa London: Routledge, 1995.

W.Beinart Twentieth-Century South Africa Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1994.

Thomas Sowell Race and Culture: A World View New York: Basic Books, 1994.

**11. week ten: Racialised States: Australia and the Stolen Generations**

**racial politics and family life**  
**the state and race relations**  
**land, minerals and eugenics**

Reading 1: Bringing Them Home National Inquiry into the Separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from Their Families Sydney: Commonwealth of Australia, 1997.

Reading 2: Henry Reynolds Why Weren't We Told Henry Reynolds Why Weren't We Told Sydney: Viking books, 1999.

**Background Reading:**

K.McConnochie, D.Hollinsworth and J.Pettman Race and Racism in Australia Sydney: Social Science Press, 1988.

Nicolas Peterson & Will Sanders eds. Citizenship and Indigenous Australians: Changing Conceptions and Possibilities Melbourne: Cambridge University Press, 1998.

Jan Pettman Living in the Margins: Racism, Sexism and Feminism in Australia Sydney: Allen & Unwin, 1992.

**12. week twelve: Pluralism and Ethnic Tensions in Modern Indonesia and Malaysia****Themes**

The colonial legacy and ethnic diversity  
 Race relations and anti-colonialism  
 Religion, politics and ethnic tensions

Reading 1. "Cultural Democracy" in Democratic Action Party, Who Lives If Malaysia Dies ?, Selangor, 1969, pp.31-52

Reading 2. "Indonesia and Malaysia" in Sajoo, Aryn B. Pluralism in "old Societies and New States, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore, 1994. Pp. 31-54.

Reading 3. Crouch, Harold, "Indonesia: Democratization and the Threat of Disintegration", in Southeast Asian Affairs, 2000, pp. 117-132.

### **Background Reading:**

Befu, H, Hegemony of Homogeneity, Transpacific Press, Melbourne, 2001  
Benmayor Rina & Andor, S. (eds.), Migration and Identity New York, 1994.

Dikotter, Frank, The Construction of Racial Identities in China and Japan, Allen and Unwin, London, 1997.

Holt, Claire, (ed.) Culture and Politics in Indonesia, Ithaca, 1992.

Ignatieff, Michael, The Warrior's Honour: Ethnic War and the Modern Conscience, Vintage, London, 1998.

Kellas, J.G. The Politics of Nationalism and Ethnicity, Mc Millan, London, 1998, (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition)

Vane Horne, Winston A. (ed.), Global Convulsions: Race, Ethnicity and Nationalism at the End of the Twentieth Century, Cambridge, Mass. 1997.

### **13. week twelve: Whiteness and The Function of theory:**

#### **themes**

**the politics of exclusion**  
**toward a structural theory of racism**  
**racial politics and state formations**  
**how inequalities are perpetuated**

**Reading 1:** Jack Niemonen "The Role of the State in the Sociology of racial and Ethnic relations: Some Theoretical Considerations" Free Inquiry in Creative Sociology Vol. 23, No. 1 May 1995. pp. 27-38.

**Reading 2:** Eduardo Bonilla-Silva "Rethinking Racism: Toward a Structural Interpretation" American Sociological Review pp. 465-480

#### **Background reading:**

T.Allen The Invention of the White Race London: Verso,, 1997. 305.800973 A431

"Women against Women: Nationality, Ethnicity, Race" chapter six in Caroline Ramazanoglu Feminism and the Contradictions of Oppression London: Routledge, 1989. pp.116-37.