COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course, we will map three major contemporary axis of social protest seeking to identify their global and historical determinants. Moving away from prevailing sociological approaches to the study of social movements, which privilege society-specific determinants, we will investigate whether and how the racial -- the concept which informs how non-European (non-Western) collectives and global regions are placed in the contemporary global (economic, juridic, and ethic) configuration – frames the agenda for indigenous rights, social, and environmental justice. In the second part of the course, students will be expected to play active role in the very development of a conceptual framework for the study of global movements and the understanding of global justice. That is, the whole class will participate in a workshop seeking to identify in the agenda of organizations involved in the project of indigenous, social, and environmental justice, those elements which indicate a global framing of their grievances and demands as well as to engage in critical considerations of the conditions of possibility for achieving their goals.

REQUIRED READINGS: Available online

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

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WORKSHOP (9 Groups)

Each group will produce a map (designed according to the model provided in class) of mobilization around indigenous, social and environment rights in one or more of the various global regions (Africa, Asia-Pacific, Europe, the Americas, and the Middle East).

Phase One: Each group will share with the class their initial mapping, which the class will discuss and comment upon and provide suggestions for.

Phase Two: Each group will present its final mappings to the whole class.
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

April 4 – Introduction
April 6 – Social Movements Theorizing: A Critical Review

Towards a ÒTheoryÓ of Global Movements (APRIL 11 & 13) -

April 11: ÔSocial Movements and the Social Construction of Human RightsÓ (Stammer) and ÔThe Terror of Neoliberalism: Rethinking the Significance of Identity PoliticsÓ (Giroux)

April 13: ÔBahia, Pelo, Negro: Can the Subaltern (Subject of Raciality) Speak?Ó (Silva)

Indigenous Rights


April 20: ÔFrom Indio to Mestizo É to Indio: New Indianist Movements in BoliviaÓ (Strobele-Gregor, Hoffman, and Holmes) and ÔThe Role of Music in Popular Social Movements: Theory and a Case Study of the Island State of Hawaii, USAÓ (Lewis)

Social Rights

April 25: ÔMeanings and Mobilizations: A Cultural Politics Approach to Social Movements and StatesÓ (Rubin), ÔThe Territorial Turn: Making Black Territories in Pacific ColombiaÓ (Offen), and ÔToward an Understanding of the Spatiality of Social Movements: Labor Organizing at a Private University in Los AngelesÓ (Wilton and Cranford)

April 27: ÔFeminists and the Welfare State: Aboriginal Health Care Workers and U.S. Community WorkersÓ (Naples & Dobson), ÔDemocratization in Mexico: The Zapatista Uprising and Civil SocietyÓ (Gilbreth and Ortero), and ÔGetting to Reparations: Japanese American and African AmericansÓ (Howard-Hassmann)

Environmental Rights

May 2: ÔChallenging Global Environmental Governance: Social Movements Agency and Global Civil SocietyÓ (Ford), ÔRace, Class and the Global Politics of Environmental InequalityÓ (Newell), and ÔFraming Emerging Environmental Movement Tactics: Mobilizing Consensus, Mobilizing ConflictÓ (Pellow)
May 4: ÔActing Locally: Environmental Injustice and the Emergence of Grass-roots Environmental OrganizationsÓ (Cable & Benson), ÔThe Garden and the Sea: US Latino Environmental Discourse and Mainstream EnvironmentalismÓ (Lynch), and ÔAfrican AmericansÓ Struggle for Environmental Justice and the Case of the Shintec Plant: Lesson Learned from a War WagedÓ (Hines)

**Guest Lectures**

**May 9** – Indigenous Sovereignty  
**May 11** – Social Justice  
**May 16** – Environmental Justice

**The Global Justice Mobilization Workshop**

**Section One:**  
**May 18** – Indigenous Rights  
**May 23** – Social Rights  
**May 25** – Environmental Rights

**Section Two**  
**May 30** – Indigenous Rights  
**June 1** – Social Rights  
**June 6** – Environmental Rights

**June 8** – Closing

**DUE DATES**

**Midterm:** May 9 (AT THE BEGINNING OF CLASS)  
**Final:** June 10