

UCEAP GLOBAL CITIES URBAN REALITIES PROGRAM PARIS, FRANCE

DOCUMENTING THE PERIPHERY: IDENTITY AND CITIZENSHIP IN THE "OTHER" PART OF PARIS URBAN STUDIES 177

SPRING 2018 - Paris as 1st City

1. COURSE INFORMATION

Class Times: Tu/Th 10am-1pm (unless otherwise indicated on course schedule; see M, W, F sessions)

Class Location: ACCENT Study Center Language of Instruction: English UC Quarter/Semester Credits: 4.5/3

UCEAP Course Subject(s): Urban Studies, Sociology, Comparative Literature

Course Duration (weeks): 5 weeks

2. FACULTY INFORMATION

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3. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This interdisciplinary course will examine the socioeconomic and political disenfranchisement experienced by residents of the "other France"—a France comprised of working-class citizens often of immigrant origin and from France's former colonies. It will introduce students to urban sociology by requiring that they focus on the particular problems experienced by social actors who live in economically and socially disfavored parts of Paris. Topics covered include urban sociological theories, de-facto segregation, poverty, crime, schooling, public policy, national identity, the negotiation of bi-culturality, and the French secularizing mission. Students will investigate these topics from a variety of sources, ranging from documentary film and photojournalism to literary and cinematic expressions. Via these sources, they will become familiar with a vibrant urban "vernacular" culture that contests issues pertaining to citizenship, racialization and representation.

4. COURSE MATERIALS

Charef, Mehdi. *Tea in the Harem*, Trans. Ed Emery, Serpent's Tail, 1989. Print. Guène, Faïza. *Just Like Tomorrow*, Trans. Sarah Adams, Random House, 2006. Print. Hargreaves, Alec. *Multi-Ethnic France*. 2nd ed., Routledge, 2007. Print. Course Reader (hereafter [CR])

5. COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

- > Students will become active readers of sociological and literary texts, as well as active viewers of a variety of media representations. Through active reading and viewing, students will develop interpretive and critical thinking skills to analyze primary and secondary source works from multiple perspectives (sociological, historical, political, aesthetic).
- > Students will gain an understanding of the complicated nature of class and racial discrimination, urban spaces of disenfranchisement, and the relationship between politics and representation.
- Students will use the Parisian metropole as a local narration to build comparisons to their own experiences and knowledge of similar constructs of otherness in American cities.
- Students will use some of the public spaces (e.g., museums, neighborhoods, monuments and buildings) as visual keys to "read" and understand the identity of a nation and its heterogeneous citizens within a global city.



6. PREREQUISITES

There are no prerequisites for this course, but some knowledge of 20th-century French history is recommended.

7. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

Instruction will consist of lectures on history, theoretical concepts, and methodology; guest lectures from specialists/artists; visits to places like Paris's immigration museum, monuments, and pertinent neighborhoods; group presentations; and class discussions on course topics.

8. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Lectures & Site Visits

Class meetings will last 3.0 hours per session. Class time will be divided between lectures, student presentations, and group discussions in which active student participation is required. Students are expected to read and view the material assigned for each class and be prepared to discuss the material.

In addition, students will meet for periodic site visits:

- ➤ Week 1: Paris Mosque
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- Week 3: Châtelet-Les Halles

Written Assessment - Weekly Quizzes

Quizzes aim at evaluating the students' understanding of the lectures, readings, viewings, visits, and class discussions as well as the students' development of their critical thinking skills. All quiz questions will require that students respond with a short paragraph by using specific language and relevant references to appropriate course lectures/materials.

Written Assessment - Argumentative Essay

Critical thought and analytical writing are fundamental components of the course and the final grade. Students will submit one 6-8 page paper, relating this analysis to the assigned course material (books, articles, chapters, films, etc.). Students will receive a list of approved topics.

Essays will be 6-8 pages long and will include a title, introduction, main body, and conclusion. Essays must be typed, double-spaced in Times New Roman (12pt), and 2.5cm/1-inch margins on all four sides. The essay will be submitted in class on the date specified on the course schedule. No late submissions will be accepted.

Group Presentation

The group presentation aims at evaluating students' ability to collaborate and construct an effective oral presentation using visual supports (e.g., powerpoint) on a topic related to the course material. It requires that students demonstrate their knowledge of course material by applying the course concepts to an assigned cultural product/representation (e.g., book, film, etc.).

Final Exam

The final exam aims at evaluating the students' understanding of the readings and class discussions as well as the students' development of their critical thinking skills. The final exam will be comprehensive and will cover all course contents. The final exam will consist of short answer and short essay-type questions, which will require students to demonstrate their knowledge of specific terms, concepts, and historical landmarks, and to compose their ideas in one or more paragraphs addressing specific topics related to course contents.

Class Participation and Attendance

Attendance and active participation are required. Students are expected to do the readings and/or viewings assigned for each class meeting beforehand, and to participate actively in class discussions.

9. ASSESSMENT AND GRADING CRITERIA

The course will be graded on a 100-point scale, and the final grade will be determined as follows:

	Class Participation	15%
\triangleright	Quizzes (4)	20%
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\triangleright	Paper	20%
\triangleright	Final Exam	30%



The numerical average will correspond to the following degrees of competence:

90 - 100 Outstanding degree of competence

80 - 89 Good degree of competence

70 - 79 Adequate degree of competence

60 - 69 Basic degree of competence

0 - 59 Failure to demonstrate a basic degree of competence

10. ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is expected in all course meetings, course-related activities and visits/excursions on UCEAP programs.

- > Plan to arrive on time to all course meetings. You will be marked absent if you are not present at the start of class. You will also be marked absent if you skip out early.
- > Roll will be called as a matter of course. The class register is the official record of student attendance.
- Absences will adversely affect course participation grades. You will be required to meet with the Academic Coordinator if it is determined that your lack of participation in a course has a negative impact on the other students in the class (e.g., group presentations). When appropriate, the Academic Coordinator will confer with UCEAP on disciplinary measures to take, including probation and dismissal from the program.
- No MAKE-UPS for missed work: if a student is absent on a day when there is some form of assessment (quiz, presentation, exam, etc.), there will be no make-ups.
- NO LATE ASSIGNMENTS: due to the intensive nature of the program, no late assignments will be accepted and no extensions will be given.
- No guests are allowed to participate in any UCEAP courses or site visits.

11. CLASS ETIQUETTE

Students studying abroad are ambassadors for the University of California and as such, should act with decorum and respect for others at all times. As a participant on the UCEAP Spring Program in Paris, you are subject to student conduct policies of UCEAP and ACCENT.

Students should seek to play their part in making the class a success. Students should arrive punctually for classes, taking special care to allow for journey times between the various venues. They should come to class with the necessary materials for taking notes, and bringing with them any books or suchlike required for the class. Students will be responsible for obtaining their own copies of any missed assignments and materials.

Food and drink may NOT be brought into the classroom or consumed during class. Cell phones and other electronic devices should be switched off upon entering the classroom or lecture room.

For more information, please consult the UCEAP Student Conduct and Discipline Policy at http://eap.ucop.edu/Documents/Policies/student_conduct_discipline.pdf.

12. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Students should remember that they are subject to the academic integrity provisions of the University of California. The principle of honesty must be upheld if the integrity of scholarship is to be maintained by an academic community.

All academic work—research papers, exams, and/or other assignments—must be done by the student to whom it is assigned, without unauthorized aid of any kind. Likewise, any act of academic misconduct, such as cheating, fabrication, forgery, plagiarism, or facilitating academic dishonesty, will subject a student to disciplinary action.

For more information, please consult UCEAP Academic Conduct Policy at http://eap.ucop.edu/Documents/Policies/academic_conduct.pdf.

13. STUDENT ACCOMMODATIONS

UCEAP is committed to facilitating welcoming and reasonably accessible programs. Any student who because of a disability may require special arrangements in order to meet course requirements should present appropriate verification from the campus Student Disability Office to UCEAP advisors during the application process, and should contact Paris Director upon arrival to confirm the approved accommodations. No requirement exists that



accommodations be granted prior to completion of this approved university procedure. Disability status is confidential and should always be discussed in private.

14. COURSE SCHEDULE

Date	Contents & Readings	Coursework & Study Visits
WEEK 1 Tues 27 March 4-6pm	TOPIC: Introduction	Site Visit #1 Paris Mosque
WEEK 1 Thurs 29 March	TOPIC: The "Other" France in the "Other" Part of Paris: Representation, Identity & Citizenship READINGS: Tahar Ben Jelloun, "Introduction," French Hospitality [CR] Alec Hargreaves, "A deviant construction: the French media and the 'Banlieues'" [CR] Jeffrey H. Jackson, "Forgetting the Past in France's Post-Colonial Museums" [CR]	Site Visit #2 Palais de la Porte Dorée & CNHI (Immigration Museum)
WEEK 2 Tues 3 April	TOPIC: A Voyage to the "center" of the periphery: Maspero's journey and the immigrant's journey READINGS: François Maspero, excerpts from Roissy Express: Journey Through the Paris Suburbs [CR] Alec Hargreaves, Multi-Ethnic France, Ch. 4: "National identity, nationality and citizenship" pp.140-164	Group Presentations: Group 1: Cédric Klapisch, <i>Paris</i> (film) Group 2: Costa-Gavras, <i>Eden à l'Ouest</i> (film)
WEEK 2 Thurs 5 April	TOPIC: Motley Crews of "Violent" Youth Guest Speaker: Jean-Manuel Simoes, photo- journalist and artist READINGS: Mustafa Dikeç, "From 'Neighborhoods in Danger' to 'Dangerous Neighborhoods': The Repressive Turn in Urban Policy" [CR] Mehdi Charef, Tea in the Harem pp.7-47	Quiz #1
WEEK 3 Tues 10 April	TOPIC: Motley Crews of "Violent" Youth (Cont.) Screening: Mathieu Kassovitz, La Haine READINGS: Mehdi Charef, Tea in the Harem pp.48-157	Group Presentations: Group 3: Mehdi Charef, <i>Tea in the Harem</i> (film)

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WEEK 3	TOPIC: Connecting and controlling the periphery	Quiz #2
Thurs 12 April	READINGS: Ginette Vincendeau, La Haine, Ch. 2: "Narrative, style and ideology in La Haine" [CR]	Site Visit #3 Châtelet-Les Halles
WEEK 3 Fri 13 April	TOPIC: The usual suspects? READINGS: Didier van Cauwelaert, One-Way (chapters 1-3, pp.7-77) [CR]	Group Presentations: Group 4: Julien Abraham, <i>La</i> Cité Rose (film)
WEEK 4 Mon 16 April	TOPIC: The usual suspects? Diversity and its (dis)contents Screening: Short Documentaries READINGS: Dominic Thomas, "Documenting the Periphery: The Short Films of Faïza Guène" [CR] Alec Hargreaves, Multi-Ethnic France, Ch. 3: "Minority ethnic identification and mobilization" pp.75-139	Group Presentations: Group 5: Céline Sciamma, Girlhood (film)
WEEK 4 Tues 17 April	TOPIC: Angels in handcuffs and other subaltern "speakers" READINGS: Faïza Guène, Just Like Tomorrow pp. 1-179 Faïza Guène, "Voice of the People." Interview by Sarah Adams [CR]	Group Presentations: Group 6: Faïza Guène, <i>Bar Balto</i> (novel) Quiz #3
WEEK 4 Thurs 19 April	TOPIC: Negotiating bi-cultural identities at home and in the public school system READINGS: Trica D. Keaton, "Counterforces: Educational Inequality and Relative Resistance" [CR] Marina Bain, "Precarious Youths" (unpublished short story) [CR] Beth S. Epstein, "The Common Good: Parents, Teachers, and the Public Schools" [CR]	Group Presentations: Group 7: Jean-Paul Lilienfeld, La Journée de la jupe (film)
WEEK 5 Tues 24 April	TOPIC: An "other" Paris: where do we go from here? Guest Speaker: Dominique Michelat, Social Worker	Paper Due
WEEK 5 Wed 25 April	TOPIC: An "other" Paris: Conclusions and where do we go from here? Guest Speaker: Ferdinand Fredonie, Restaurateur (TBC)	Quiz #4

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	Review for Final Exam	
	READINGS: Alec Hargreaves, Multi-Ethnic France, "Conclusion" pp.204-210	
	Mira Kamdar, "The Other Paris, Beyond the Boulevards" [CR]	
	Heidi Ellison, "Dining Well for a Good Cause" [CR]	1
	Liz Alderman, "In Poor Margins of Paris, New Recipe for Success" [CR]	
WEEK 5		
Thurs 26 April	FINAL EXAM	