POLITICS, CULTURE, AND IDENTITY COLLOQUIUM

PROF. BOVILSKY

Description

In this colloquium, each student will attend at least three and ideally four lectures from the list of eligible events provided below. We will meet three times to discuss the lectures you attended; our final meeting will include opportunity for methodological reflection. In those conversations, we’ll discuss the methodological approaches you gleaned from the talks, how they appear to resemble and vary from those of your own discipline (as you apply or construe it), and how the argument was structured.

Learning Outcomes

In the PCI colloquium, students (1) will learn to focus on and identify methodological presumptions and operations guiding specific research projects within adjacent disciplines. This specific way of attending to lectures by visiting scholars will (2) clarify the nature, rationale, and utility of the students’ own methodological commitments, while (3) offering students new possibilities for interdisciplinary work, by making evident prior unfamiliar options. The course also offers (4) cohort-building opportunities within PCI.

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Office hours: Mondays 1-3, Thursdays 9-10, or by appointment. NB: You may simply drop by during office hours, but if you email in advance, I will be happy to guarantee a slot.

Colloquium Mechanics

Please email me with the talks that you would most like to attend as well as talks you could attend by Friday, January 17. I will attempt to maximize the number of talks we can attend together (possibly meeting directly afterward), so that our conversations can be maximally fruitful, informed, and convenient. I will generate our collective schedule and email you to arrange convenient meeting times early in week 3. In that email, I’ll also provide a short guide to the particular notes and observations we might make and focus on during these lectures.

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Eligible Winter 2020 Lectures

We are fortunate to have a large number of relevant and exciting lectures this term.

Thursday, Jan 23, Marisa Abrajano, “Political Discussion Networks, Political Engagement, and the Latino Electorate.” 4-5:30 pm. Knight Library Browsing Room. Morse Center event.

Tuesday, February 4, Ruha Benjamin, “Beyond Buzzwords: Reimagining the Default Settings of Technology and Society.” 7:30, First United Methodist Church (1376 Olive St.). Oregon Humanities Center event.

Wednesday, February 5, Jane Junn, “Women Voters: Race, Gender, and Dynamism in U.S. Presidential Elections.” 6:30-8. William Knight Law Center, Rm 175. Morse Center event.

Thursday, February 6, Sylvana Falcon, Finding ‘Light born in darkness:’ The Urgency of Feminist Activism in These Times.” 12-1:30, Knight Library Browsing Room. CSWS event.

Thursday, February 13, Annie Isabel Fukushima, “Witnessing Violence in These Migratory Times. 12–1:30 pm, Knight Library Browsing Room. CSWS event.

