

MA Seminar The Ethics and Politics of Migration Tuesdays, 10-12 WEBEX link: https://fu-berlin.webex.com/fu-berlin-en/j.php?MTID=m865fc8d7762c1f1979e5187b759c4b89	Prof. Dr. Robin Celikates Department of Philosophy Email: robin.celikates@fu-berlin.de Office hours: via email/Webex
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October 19

Introduction and Overview

October 26

The Normative Debate

Joseph Carens: An Overview of the Ethics of Immigration

Sarah Song: The Political Theory of Migration

November 02

Migration and Justice

Sarah Fine: Migration

Joseph Carens: Politics, Principles, and Open Borders

November 09

Migration and Freedom

Chandran Kukathas: Immigration and Freedom, ch. 8

November 16

Migration and Democracy

Arash Abizadeh: Democratic Theory and Border Coercion

David Miller: Why Immigration Controls Are Not Coercive: A Reply to Arash Abizadeh

Arash Abizadeh: Democratic Legitimacy and State Coercion: A Reply to David Miller

November 23

Refugees

Hannah Arendt: We Refugees

Serena Parekh: No Refuge, chs. 1 and 6

November 30

Membership

Sarah Song: The Significance of Territorial Presence and the Rights of Immigrants

Amy Reed-Sandoval: Socially Undocumented: Identity and Immigration Justice, ch 1.

José Jorge Mendoza: Socially Undocumented Oppression

December 07

The Border as a Complex Institution

Etienne Balibar: What Is a Border?

Etienne Balibar: At the Borders of Citizenship: A Democracy in Translation?

Harsha Walia: Border and Rule, Introduction and Conclusion

December 14

Migration as a Complex Practice

Nicolas De Genova et al.: New Keywords: Migration and Borders

Jef Huysmans et al.: Mobility/Movement

-- break --

January 04 [asynchronous!]

Who Speaks? Questions of Knowledge Production and Representation 1

Archiv der Flucht/Archive of Refuge: <https://archivderflucht.hkw.de/en/>

Please take your time during the break and listen to at least two of the conversations.

January 11

Who Speaks? Questions of Knowledge Production and Representation 2

Discussion with Manuela Bojadzijev (HU Berlin, co-curator of the archive)

January 18

Transformations of the Border

Huub Dijstelbloem: Borders as Infrastructure, chs. 1 and 8

Discussion with Huub Dijstelbloem (University of Amsterdam)

January 25

Counter-Practices 1: Sanctuary

Massimiliano Tomba: Sanctuaries as Anachronism and Anticipation

Jen Bagelman: Sanctuary City, ch. 6

Thomas Nail: Sanctuary, Solidarity, Status!

Discussion with Veronika Zablotsky (FU Berlin/JLU Gießen)

February 01

Counter-Practices 2: Disobedience and Resistance

Sandro Mezzadra: The Right to Escape

Robin Celikates: Remaking the Demos 'From Below'?

Javier Hidalgo: Unjust Borders, ch. 7

February 08

Alternative Cosmopolitanisms

Minhao Zeng: Subaltern Cosmopolitanism

Thomas Nail: Migrant Cosmopolitanism

February 15

Concluding Discussion

All readings will be made available as pdf files via Blackboard.

Assessment/Requirements:

- Careful study of the assigned readings, active participation in online discussion forums and regular attendance of seminar meetings (please note that you are expected to communicate absences beforehand).
- For at least 4 sessions of your choice you are expected to make substantial contributions to the discussion forum; these can take a variety of forms including, but not limited to, posting (non-trivial) questions about the readings, answering questions others have posted, commenting on the readings and their strengths and shortcomings, discussing an example related to the readings, making connections etc.
- Final paper (ca. 5000-7500 words, depending on the requirements of the module you are taking; first outline due February 28, 2022, final version due March 31, 2022, both via email).
- The final grade is based on the paper and forum contributions.
- As a member of the campus community you should see yourself as sharing a commitment to academic integrity and fairness. Any form of plagiarism is incompatible with such a commitment, and will result in the student failing the assignment.
- For some further information on how to write final papers in philosophy, see: https://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we01/media/FU-Philosophie_Hausarbeiten_20210611b1.pdf

Online teaching etiquette:

- Mutual respect is particularly important under the conditions of the pandemic. In this seminar we will discuss sensitive and at times controversial topics related to migration. In order to create an inclusive and open discussion environment, it is important to appreciate that participants come from varied backgrounds and experiences, with different levels of interest, knowledge and experiences of migration. In all course-related interactions, including the chat, students are asked to be respectful and considerate.
- Please let me know if your active participation in the seminar is made difficult or impossible due to other obligations (care for children or other relatives) or concentration and motivation problems and I will be happy to look for flexible solutions.
- I explicitly encourage feedback on the form and content of the seminar and will also create opportunities for this during the meetings.
- I will open the online seminar room at 10:00 and close it at 12:00 in order to give all participants the opportunity to resolve any technical difficulties beforehand and to exchange information informally with one another as well as to ask questions concerning the course.
- Please make sure that your cameras are switched on as much as possible (technical and social circumstances permitting) in order to create a more personal seminar atmosphere.

Please join from a computer (rather than a cell phone or tablet) in order to allow for breakout rooms and other functions

- Ensure that Webex shows your name and, if you want, your preferred gender pronouns.
- Please make sure that your microphones are only switched on when you are speaking.
- Please make sure that you behave in a manner appropriate for a seminar even if participating from home.
- If you would like to say something, please post + or * in the chat. You can also write 'follow up', if you'd like to make a point directly related to what is being said. You can also ask your question via the chat if this is preferable for technical or other reasons.
- I encourage you to establish networks amongst each other and to form discussion groups in addition to the seminar sessions.
- For further thoughts on online teaching please consult the guidelines from the Department of Philosophy on which the above is also based: <https://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we01/studieren/studium/download/index.html>

Readings

Abizadeh, Arash: Democratic Theory and Border Coercion: No Right to Unilaterally Control Your Own Borders, *Political Theory*, 36 (2008), 1, 37-65.

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Balibar, Étienne: At the Borders of Citizenship, in: *European Journal of Social Theory*, 13 (2010), 315-322.

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Walia, Harsha: *Border and Rule: Global Migration, Capitalism, and the Rise of Racist Nationalism*, Chicago 2021.

Zeng, Minhao: *Subaltern Cosmopolitanism*, *The Sociological Review*, 62 (2014), 1, 137-148.

Further Reading

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Bhambra, Gurinder: *The Current Crisis of Europe: Refugees, Colonialism, and the Limits of Cosmopolitanism*, in: *European Law Journal*, 23 (2017), 395-405.

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Bojadžijev, Manuela/Serhat Karakayali: *Recuperating the Sideshows of Capitalism: The Autonomy of Migration Today*, in: *e-flux*, #17 (2010).

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Bosniak, Linda: *The Citizen and the Alien: Dilemmas of Contemporary Membership*. Princeton 2006.

Brock, Gillian: *Justice for People on the Move: Migration in Challenging Times*, Cambridge 2020.

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