THE POLITICAL CULTURE OF RACE AND RACISM

Course Director: David McNally, S637 Ross, Office hours: W: 10:30-11:30, R: 11:30-12:30
Course Lectures: Thursday, 12:30 – 2:20 PM, Vari Hall C

Required Texts:
* Vic Satzewich and Nikolaos Liodakis, ‘Race’ and Ethnicity in Canada, 3rd edition
* George M. Fredrickson, Racism: A Short History
* Various readings available online (as indicated below) or at davidmcnally.org (under the “Courses” tab)

Some Web Sites Dealing with Racism and Anti-Racism
Justice for Migrant Workers: http://www.justicia4migrantworkers.org/
No One is Illegal Toronto: http://toronto.nooneisillegal.org/ (especially tab, “Get the Facts”)
Links to other NOII sites: http://nooneisillegal.org/
Indigenous Peoples Solidarity Movement: http://winnipeg.ipsm.ca/
Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug (KI) Nation http://kilands.org/
Migrant Worker Solidarity Network: http://migrantworkersolidarity.wordpress.com/
Indian Country Today: http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/
Artists Against Racism: http://www.artistsagainstracism.com/
Students United Against Racism: http://www.noracism.ca/

Tutorials
01 – Thursday 8:30 AM, ACW 002 02 – Thursday 15:30 PM, ACE 006
03 – Thursday 9:30 AM, ACW 002 04 – Thursday 16:30 PM, ACE 006
05 – Thursday 10:30 AM, MC 211 06 – Thursday 10:30 AM, VC 119

Course Grading Scheme
* Letter to the Editor/Thoughtful Blog (300 words) – 10%
* Speech to YFS meeting, board of education or municipal government (500 Words) – 15%
* Short essay – 20% (1500 words – due date March 5)
* Final essay (3000 words – due date April 2) – 35%
* Tutorial participation – 20%
COURSE SCHEDULE

JANUARY 8 – **Course Introduction**

JANUARY 15 – “**Race,** Racism and Racecraft”

JANUARY 22 – **Colonialism, Capitalism and the Invention of “Race”**

JANUARY 29 – **Close to Home: Racism in Canada – Its History and Contemporary Forms**
Readings: ‘**Race’ and Ethnicity in Canada,** Ch. 3, pp. 63-87.

FEBRUARY 5 – **Indigenous Peoples and Racism in North America**
Readings: ‘**Race’ and Ethnicity in Canada,** Ch. 8

FEBRUARY 12 – **Modern Racism, Policing and the Prison-Industrial Complex**

FEBRUARY 19 – **Reading Week**

FEBRUARY 26 – **“Commodity Racism” and Popular Culture: Sports**
Readings: *Ben Carrington, “‘Race’, Representation and the Sporting Body,” available at [http://www.gold.ac.uk/media/carrington.pdf](http://www.gold.ac.uk/media/carrington.pdf)* and two short pieces on racism and women’s tennis:
* [http://www.thetennisspace.com/five-thoughts-on-playing-serena/](http://www.thetennisspace.com/five-thoughts-on-playing-serena/)

MARCH 5 – Immigration, Multiculturalism and “Neo-Racism”
Readings: ‘Race’ and Ethnicity in Canada, Ch. 4 and Ch. 5, pp. 165-78; Harshia Walia, “Transient servitude: migrant labour in Canada and the apartheid of citizenship,” available at davidmcnally.org;

MARCH 12 – Racism and Popular Culture: Music, from the Blues to Hip Hop
Readings: *“The Blues, Rock and Roll and Racism” available at davidmcnally.org
*“From Black Power to Hip Hop,” pp. 1-12, available at davidmcnally.org
* On Miley Cyrus twerking: http://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2013/nov/10/black-women-music-industry-sex

MARCH 19 – Racism in a “Colour-Blind” Society

MARCH 26 – Racism and Popular Culture: From Advertising to Movies and Television
Readings: *Danielle Dirks and Jennifer C. Mueller, “Racism and Popular Culture,” pp. 115-121 and 127-29. For those interested in debates about some major television shows, see:

APRIL 2 – Neo-Racism and Global Apartheid: from Neoliberalism to the Age of Austerity