Comprehensive Exam Reading List, 2019-2020
Immigration, Ethnicity and Race

The comprehensive exam in Immigration, Ethnicity and Race has two sections. The first section covers core areas and themes in the broad field of Ethnicity and Race. The second section covers the fields of global migration, incorporation and citizenship. In both sections there is an effort to a) familiarize students with canonical texts, concepts and debates in the field broadly defined; b) to develop sub-sections that reflect faculty areas of specialization. Some sections now distinguish between conceptual and empirical work. Please keep in mind that readings may be relevant across more than one section but only cited in one

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I. RACE and ETHNICITY

A. The making of "race" and "ethnicity"

1. Critical race theories

Racist structure and white hegemony

"Forethought" and Chapter 1, pp. 1-12.


Goldberg, David Theo. Racist Culture: Philosophy and the Politics of Meaning, "Introduction,"
pp. 1-13


*Intersectionality*


2. *Theorizing colonialism*

*Postcolonial and global theories*


*Settler colonialism*


3. Groupness, boundaries, categories

Theoretical concepts


Wimmer, Andreas. *Ethnic Boundary Making: Institutions, Power, Networks*. (Introduction, Chapters 2 and 3)


Implications for empirical research


**B. The reproduction of inequality**

**1. Cultural politics and the nation-state**

*Theoretical frameworks*


*The Canadian context*


Haque, Eve. *Multiculturalism within a Bilingual Framework*, Chapters 1-3


2. Individual and institutional racism, discrimination and domination

*U.S.-based theories*


*Canadian dynamics*


II. IMMIGRATION

A. Global Migration

1. The causes, logic and dynamics of global migration


2. State categories and policies


Stephen Castles (2017) Migration policies are problematic – because they are about migration, *Ethnic and Racial Studies, 40*:9, 1538-1543

3. Transnationalism – Theory, Research, Methodology


B. Migrant Settlement Dynamics

1. Frameworks and Concepts – Incorporation, Assimilation


2. Gender and Homemaking


3. The Next Generation: Immigrant Offspring


**Canadian evidence**


**4. Labour Market Sorting Processes & Outcomes**


Hou, Feng and Aneta Bonikowska. 2016. Selections Before the Selection: Earnings Advantages of Immigrants Who were Former Skilled Temporary Foreign Workers in Canada. *International Migration Review* Fall:1-29.

https://doi.org/10.1177/0197918318774501


Houle, René and Lahouaria Yssaad. 2010 “Recognition of Newcomers' Foreign Credentials and Work Experience” *Perspectives on Labour and Income* (September) 


5. **Citizenship and Noncitizenship**


Goldring, Luin, Carolina Berinstein, and Judith K. Bernhard. 2009. "Institutionalizing precarious


