**CULT 370/570: Everyday Life**

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**Monday 12.40-15.30, FASS 2023**

What is everyday life? Is it a routine, which we hold on to in order to assert our identity, or is it a series of minor rituals, which makes us feel special and different than the other people?

What do the studies of everyday life show us about social and cultural inequalities, discriminations and symbolic boundaries? How do the studies of everyday life provide us new opportunities to explore the issues of identity, subjectivity, temporality and spatiality further? In this class, we will provide various answers to these questions through social science research from particular historical and cultural contexts.

Since this class is largely based on class discussions, active participation is a must and will constitute **10% of your grades**. For the students of CULT 370, there will be two unannounced quizzes (**10X2=20%**) a midterm (**30%**) and a final (**40%**). For the students of CULT 570, there will be two short presentations where they will also lead class discussions (**%20**) with me and a final paper **(%70)**.

**Zoom link:** <https://sabanciuniv.zoom.us/j/8245490563>

**Disclaimer:**  "We may have to revise the course plan according to the reassessment to be made country-wide, regarding higher education, at the beginning of April. The content to be delivered is certain but the method of course delivery, the number and dates of exams, and some other details are subject to change."

**February 27 Introduction**

**March 6**

Michael E. Gardiner, “Introduction”, *Critiques of Everyday Life*, Routledge, 2000, pp. 1-23

Ben Highmore, “Introduction: Questioning Everyday Life”, *The Everyday Life Reader*, Routledge, 2002, pp. 1-33.

**March 13, March 20 Henri Lefebvre: The birth of “everyday life” as a theoretical concept**

Michael E. Gardiner, “Henri Lefebvre: Philosopher of the Ordinary”, *Critiques of Everyday Life*, Routledge, 2000, pp. 71-101

Henri Lefebvre, “The Everyday and Everydayness”, *Everyday Life*, 1987, Yale French Studies, pp. 7-11

Henri Lefebvre, “The Knowledge of Everyday Life”, “What Is Possible”, *Critique of Everyday Life*, (Critique de la vie quotidienne I: Introduction, (1947)), Verso, 1991, pp. 130-137, 228-252

**March 27 Michel de Certeau: Everyday life, strategies and tactics**

Michael E. Gardiner, “Michel de Certeau: The Cunning of Unreason”, *Critiques of Everyday Life*, Routledge, 2000, pp. 157-179

Michel de Certeau, “General Introduction”, “‘Making Do’: Uses and Tactics”, “Walking in the City”, Believing and Making People Believe”, *The Practice of Everyday Life*, Univ. of California Press, 1984, pp. xi – xxiv, 29-42, 91-110, 177-189

**April 3 Erving Goffman: Everyday life as a theatrical performance**

Shamus Khan, “Erving Goffman*, The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life*(1959)”

*Public Culture* (2020) 32 (2 (91)): pp.397–404

Erving Goffman, “Preface”, “Introduction” and “Chapter 1”, *The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life,* University of Edinburgh Press, 1959, pp. 1-47

**April 10 Everyday life and symbolic boundaries**

Agnes Heller, “Ch.1. The Abstract Concept of Everyday Life”, “Ch.2. The Person: The Breakdown of the Concept”, “Ch. 4. The Everyday and the Non-Everyday”, *Everyday Life*, Routledge, 1984, pp:3-15, 47-56

Pierre Bourdieu, “Part 3. Class, Tastes and Life-Styles”, *Distinction: A Social Critique of the Judgement of Taste*, Harvard University Press, 1984, pp: 257-317

**April 17: Midterm for 370, discussion of paper topics for 570:**

**April 24 Everyday life, emotion and affect**

Sara Ahmed, “The Politics of Fear in the Making of Worlds”, *Qualitative Studies in Education*, May–June 2003, Vol. 16, No. 3, pp. 377–398.

James M. Jasper,“Not in Our Backyards: Emotion, Threat, and Blame”, *The Art of Moral Protest: Culture, Biography, and Creativity in Social Movements*, University of Chicago Press, 2014, pp. 103-129.

**May 1: International Workers’/Labor Day, official holiday. Enjoy!**

**May 8 Everyday life, temporality and spatiality**

Eyal Chowers, “Gushing Time, Modernity and the multiplicity of temporal homes”, *Time and Society*, Vol. 11, No. 2/3, 2002, pp. 233-249.

# Jeffrey Kok Hui Chan&Ye Zhang, Sharing Space: Urban Sharing, Sharing a Living Space, and Shared Social Spaces, *Space and Culture*, Vol. 24, No.1, 2018, pp.157-169.

# May 15 Everyday life and digitalization

# Netta livari et al., “Digital Transformation of Everyday Life – How COVID-19 Pandemic Transformed the Basic Education of the Young Generation and Why Information Management Research Should Care?”, *International Journal of Information Management*, Vol. 55, 2020

Züleyha Özbaş-Anbarlı, “Living in Digital Space: Everyday Life on Twitter”, *Communication&Society*, Vol. 34, No.2, 2021, pp.31-47.

**May 22 Everyday life and care**

Jo Warner et al., “The Cafe as Affective Community Space: Reconceptualizing Care and Emotional Labour in Everyday Life”, *Critical Social Policy*, Vol. 33 No.22, 2012, pp. 305-324

# Ester Gallo&Francesca Scrinzi, “Outsourcing Elderly Care to Migrant Workers: The Impact of Gender and Class on the Experience of Male Employers”, *Sociology*, Vol.50 No.2, 2016, pp.366-382