**The Process of Research: Theories and Methods:  
Schedule and reading instructions**

Fall 2020

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**Date Time Lecture room**

**Tuesday 1 September 10.30-12.30 Ateljén (the Studio) Ulls’ Building**

**Introduction**

**13.15-16.00 Aula Uppsala (Auditorium)**

**Why do we need theory: the act of theorizing  
Linking research problems, methodology and theory**

Lecturer: Örjan Bartholdson

Required Reading

Hacking, Ian. 2000. Why Ask What? The Social Construction of What? Cambridge. Harvard University Press. Pages 1-35

Inglis, David. 2012. An Invitation to Social Theory. Cambridge. Polity Press. Pages 1-37

Swedberg, Rickard. 2012. Theorizing in sociology and social science: turning to the context of discovery. In *Theory and Society*. Vol. 41: 1-40

**Wednesday 2 September 10.15-12.00 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**Philosophy of science and the development of theorizing**

Lecturer: Örjan Bartholdson

Required Reading

Bratton, John, Denham, David. 2014. Emile Durkheim: The rules of sociological method and on Suicide. The division of labour in society. *Capitalism and classical social theory*. University of Toronto Press. Pages 183-204

Martínez, Maria, Laura. 2009. Ian Hacking’s Proposal for the Distinction between Natural and Social Sciences. In *Philosophy of the Social Science*s. Vol. 39: 212-234

Parsons, Keith. 2014. *It started with Copernicus. Vital Questions about Science.* New York. Prometheus Books. Pages 19-45

**Thursday 3 September 10.15-12 The seminar will be held on Zoom 13.15-15 The seminar will be held on Zoom Discussion seminar: how to sketch a research problem**

**Monday 7 September 10.15-12 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**How people organize themselves and how they perceive the world:  
Social organization, social structure, culture and institutions**

Lecturer: Örjan Bartholdson

Required reading

Eriksen, Thomas Hylland. Chapter 3, 4, 5. *Small Places, Large Issues. An Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology*. Pages 30-81

Scheper-Hughes, Nancy. 1992. *Death Without Weeping. The violence of everyday life in Brazil*. University of California Press. Part of chapter 1, chapter 3. Pages 31-36, 49-64, 98-127

**Tuesday 8 September 10.15-12 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**The birth of social theory and the problems it addressed:  
urbanism, social disintegration, class hierarchy, poverty, rural dispossession, from serfs to rural workers, rural change, possession of resources, colonialism**

Lecturer: Kjell Hansen

Required Reading

Bratton, John, Denham, David. 2014. *Capitalism and classical social theory*. Introduction: Why classical social theory? Pages 1-22. University of Toronto Press.

Inglis, David. 2012. *An Invitation to Social Theory*. Cambridge. Polity Press. Pages 38-61

Recommended reading

Inglis, David. 2012. An Invitation to Social Theory. Cambridge. Polity Press. Pages 189-207

Marx, Karl & Engels, Friedrich 1848: *Manifesto of the Communist Party*. 53 pp

**Thursday 10 September 10.30-12.30 Lecture hall ‘Loftets bankettsal’**

**13.15-15.00 Lecture hall ‘Loftets bankettsal’ Discussion seminar**

**Monday 14 September 10.15-12 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**On the moral economy of Karl Polanyi and Chayanov**

Lecturer: Ildikó Asztalos Morell

Required Reading

Polányi, K (1957) The Economy as Instituted Process in: Polányi, K, Arensberg, CM and Pearson HW, *Trade and Market in the Early Empires*, A Gateway edition: Chicago, pages 243-270

Henry Bernstein (2009) V.I. Lenin and A.V. Chayanov: looking back, looking forward, The Journal of Peasant Studies, 36:1, 55-81, DOI: 10.1080/03066150902820289 To link to this article: https://doi.org/10.1080/03066150902820289

Recommended additional reading:

Melegh, A and Szelényi, I (2016) Karl Polányi’s impact on social sciences; *Intersections:* *East European Journal of Society and Politics* 2(2): 2-10

**Tuesday 15 September 10.15-12.00 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**Polányi, Chayanov and the theory of agrarian transitions**

Lecturer: Ildikó Asztalos Morell

Required reading

Van Der Ploeg, JD (2014) Peasant-driven agricultural growth and food sovereignty, *Journal of Peasant Studies* 41 (6): 999-1030.

Friedmann, H. & McMichael, P., 1989, ’Agriculture and the state system: The rise and fall of national agriculture, 1870 to the present’, *Sociologia Ruralis*, No. 29(2), 93-117.

Hann, Ch (2018) Marketization and development on a European periphery: From peasant oikos to socialism and neoliberal capitalism on the Danube-Tisza interfluve *Economy and Space* 0 (0) 1-16

Recommended additional reading

Bockman, J, Fischer, A and Woodruff, D (2016) “Socialist accounting” by Karl Polányi: with preface “Socialism and the embedded economy” *Theory and Society* 45, pp 385-427

Desmarais, A.A., 2002, ’The Via Campesina: Consolidation and International Peasant and Farm Movement’, *Journal of Peasant Studies*, No. 29(2), 91-124.

**Tuesday 15 September 13.15-15.00 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**Polányi, welfare and gender regimes**

Lecturer: Ildikó Asztalos Morell

Required Reading

Esping-Andersen, (1989) “The three political economies of the welfare state”. *Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology*, 26(1), 1989

Jenny Andersson. Socializing Capital, Capitalizing the Social: Contemporary Social Democracy and the Knowledge Economy. 2007. ffhal-01066075f

Dawn Lyon and Miriam Glucksmann (2008) Comparative Configurations of Care Work across Europe Author(s): Source: *Sociology*, Vol. 42, No. 1 pp. 101-118

Recommended additional reading

Brush, L D (2002) Changing the subject: Gender and Welfare regimes studies, *Social Politics* Summer pp 161-186

Birgit PFAU-EFFINGER (2014) New policies for caring family members in European welfare states *Cuadernos de Relaciones Laborales* Vol. 32, Núm. 1 (2014) 33-48

Asztalos Morell, I and Bock BB (2008) Dynamics of change and reconstitution in hegemonic and rural gender regimes in: Asztalos Morell, I and Bock BB (eds) *Gender regimes, citizen participation and rural restructuring*, London: Elsevier

**Thursday 17 September 10.15-12 The lecture hall ‘V’**

**13.15-15 The lecture hall ‘V’**

**Discussion seminar on moral economy and gender regimes**

**Monday 21 September 10.15-12 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**How people make sense of their own life worlds:**

**Hermeneutics and ethnomethodology**

Lecturer: Kjell Hansen

Required Reading

Geertz, Clifford. 1973. Deep Play: Notes on the Balinese Cockfight. *The Interpretation of Culture*. New York. Basic Books. Pages 412-454.

Sharrock, Wes & Button, Graham 1991: The social actor: social action in real time. In: Button, Graham (ed.): *Ethnomethodology and the human sciences.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (p 137 - 171)

Recommended reading

Garfinkel, Harold 1966: Ethnomethodology’s program. *Social Psychology Quarterly*, vol. 59, no 1. Pages 5 – 21.

Jackson, Michael. 2013. Chapter 3. *Lifeworlds. Essays in existential anthropology*. Chicago. The University of Chicago Press. Pages 51-74.

**Monday 21 September 13.15-15.00 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**The interplay between structure and agency  
(Bourdieu and Giddens)**

Lecturer: Örjan Bartholdson

Required Reading

Bourdieu, Pierre; Wacquant, Lois. 1992. *An Invitation to Reflexive Sociology*. Pages: 94-135, 167-173. Cambridge. University of Chicago.

Giddens, Anthony. 1986. Agency, Structure. *Central Problems in Social Theory. Action, Structure and Contradiction in Social Analysis.* Hong Kong. MacMillan. Pages 49-73

Inglis, David. 2012. Structurationist Paradigms. In *An Invitation to Social Theory*. Cambridge. Polity Press. Pages 208-234

**Tuesday 22 September 10.15-12.00 The lecture will be held on Zoom How people make sense of their own life worlds**

**Phenomenology**

Lecturer: Kjell Hansen

Required Reading

Inglis, David. 2012. Phenomenological paradigms. The symbolic interactionist paradigm. In *An Invitation to Social Theory*. Cambridge. Polity Press. Pages 86-128

Frykman, Jonas & Nils Gilje 2003: Being There. In Frykman, Jonas & Nils Gilje (eds.): *Being There. New Perspectives on Phenomenology and the Analysis of Culture.*  Lund: Nordic Academic Press. Page 7 – 49

Jackson, Michael. Introduction. In *Things as They Are. New directions in phenomenological anthropology*. Indiana University Press. Page 1-50

**Tuesday 22 September 13.15-15.00 The lecture will be held on Zoom**

**Agency, social fields and ideology**

Lecturer: Örjan Bartholdson

Required Reading

Bourdieu, Pierre. 1990. Book I: Chapter 3, 4, 5: *The Logic of Practice*. Stanford. Stanford University Press. 52-97.

Callinicos, Alex. *Making History. Agency, Structure, and Change in Social Theory*. Chicago. Haymarket Books. Pages 1-25.

Graeber, David. 2006. Beyond Power/Knowledge- an exploration of the relation of power, ignorance and stupidity. The Malinowski Memorial Lecture, 2006. *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*. Pages 105 – 128

**Thursday 24 September 10.15-12 The lecture hall ‘V’**

**13.15-15 The lecture hall ‘V’**

**Discussion seminar on structure and agency**

**Örjan**

**Monday 28 September 10.30 – 12.30 The lecture hall ‘Loftets bankettsal’**

**Marxist inspired social theory**Lecturer: Örjan Bartholdson

Required Reading

Inglis, David. 2012. Marxist and Critical Theory Paradigms. In *An Invitation to Social Theory*. Cambridge. Polity Press. Pages 62-85

Wolf, Eric. 1982. Modes of Production. The Fur Trade. In *Europe and the People Without History*. Berkely. University of California Press. Pages 73-100, 158-194

Recommended Additional Reading

Bloch, Maurice. The Past and the Present in the Present. In *Man*. Vol. 12(2): 278-292.

**Tuesday 29 September**

**Deadline exam 23.59**

**Literature**

**You will only have to purchase the books marked with a \*, that is, the first book mentioned on the list below.**

**Please note that some literature might be added to the list and some may be changed or omitted.**

Books:

\*Inglis, David. 2012. *An Invitation to Social Theory*. Cambridge. Polity Press.

Excerpts of Books:

Bourdieu, Pierre; Wacquant, Lois. 1992. *An Invitation to Reflexive Sociology*. Pages: 94-135, 167-173. Cambridge. University of Chicago.

Bourdieu, Pierre. 1990. Book I: Chapter 3, 4, 5: *The Logic of Practice*. Stanford. Stanford University Press. 52-97

Bratton, John, Denham, David. 2014. Emile Durkheim: The rules of sociological method and on Suicide. The division of labour in society. *Capitalism and classical social theory*. University of Toronto Press. Pages 183-204

Callinicos, Alex. *Making History. Agency, Structure, and Change in Social Theory*. Chicago. Haymarket Books. Pages 1-25.

Eriksen, Thomas Hylland. *Small Places, Large Issues. An Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology*. Pluto Press. Pages 30

Frykman, Jonas & Nils Gilje 2003: Being There. In Frykman, Jonas & Nils Gilje (eds.): *Being There. New Perspectives on Phenomenology and the Analysis of Culture.*  Lund: Nordic Academic Press. Page 7 - 49Inglis, David. 2012. Phenomenological paradigms. The symbolic interactionist paradigm. In *An Invitation to Social Theory*. Cambridge. Polity Press. Pages 86-128

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Sharrock, Wes & Button, Graham 1991: The social actor: social action in real time. In: Button, Graham (ed.): *Ethnomethodology and the human sciences.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (p 137 - 171)

Scheper-Hughes, Nancy. 1992. *Death Without Weeping. The violence of everyday life in Brazil*. University of California Press. Part of chapter 1, chapter 3. Pages 31-36, 49-64, 98-127

Wolf, Eric. 1982. Modes of Production. The Fur Trade. In *Europe and the People Without History*. Berkely. University of California Press. Pages 73-100, 158-194

Articles:

Asztalos Morell, I (2019) The role of public private partnership in the governance of racialized poverty in marginal rural area in Hungary, *Sociologia Ruralis*

Brush, L D (2002) Changing the subject: Gender and Welfare regimes studies, *Social Politics* Summer pp 161-186

Dawn Lyon and Miriam Glucksmann (2008) Comparative Configurations of Care Work across Europe Author(s): Source: *Sociology*, Vol. 42, No. 1 pp. 101-118

Esping-Andersen, (1989) “The three political economies of the welfare state”. *Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology*, 26(1), 1989

Fraser, N (1995) Recognition or redistribution? A critical reading of Iris Young’s justice and the policitics of difference. *The Journal of Political Philosophy* 3 (2) pp 166-180

Graeber, David. 2006. Beyond Power/Knowledge- an exploration of the relation of power, ignorance and stupidity. The Malinowski Memorial Lecture, 2006. *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*. Pages 105 – 128

Lentil, A (2008) Europe and the silence about race. *European Journal of Social Theory* 11 (4) pp 487-503

Martínez, Maria, Laura. 2009. Ian Hacking’s Proposal for the Distinction between Natural and Social Sciences. In *Philosophy of the Social Science*s. Vol. 39: 212-234

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**Discussion papers to be handed in each week**

Every Monday, a text will be uploaded by the teachers on Canvas, which you shall first analyze on an individual basis, and then discuss jointly on the discussion seminar every forthcoming Thursday. Additionally, you shall write a weekly discussion paper, together with your group.

Every Friday, by 10.00 at the latest, you shall send this paper to another student group, which will critically read and comment on your text. In turn, your own group shall read and comment on a paper by yet another group. The commented papers shall be uploaded on Canvas each week, at 18.00 on Mondays, at the latest. The discussion papers shall amount to approximately 1-2 pages. The text must be in 12 pt. Times New Roman.

**Discussion and exercise seminars**

Most discussion seminars will be held each Thursday, 10.15-12 or 13.15-15. On 10 and 24 September the seminars will be held at SLU, 10.30 – 12.30 and 13.15- 15.00. The reason is to be able to meet face-to-face, get to know each other better and be able to have more in-depth discussions than is possible on Zoom.

The students will be divided into small groups, which will be permanent throughout the course.

**Exam**

In order to pass the course you have to upload your weekly group discussion paper on Canvas before 18.00 on Mondays, together with rest of your group, and be active during the discussion seminars.

Those students who wish to obtain grade 4 or 5 will also have to write a short exam and hand it in at the latest on Tuesday 29 September, 23.59. Submission of the exam does not guarantee a grade higher than 3 for the course. The exam will take approximately one week to accomplish. The students are requested to theorize around a specific research problem, either handed out by the teachers of the course or a problem that the student has come up with. If the latter is the case the problem must first have been approved by one of the teachers. The exam shall consist of approximately 4-5 pages and be around 2,000 words. The text must be double-spaced, and in 12 pt. Times New Roman.