PHIL10198: THE SUBORDINATE MALE: RACISM, GENDERCIDE, AND SAVAGERY IN THE 20TH AND 21ST CENTURY.

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COURSE LECTURES: LECTURES WILL BE UPLOADED EVERY MONDAY AT NOON ON THE LEARN PLATFORM
COURSE MEETING TIMES: “INFORMATION ABOUT CLASS TIMING AND FORMAT WILL BE ON THE LEARN PAGE FOR THE COURSE.”

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course explores the historical development and contemporary accounts of racialized males throughout 20th and 21st century Europe and America sociology and gender theory. This course aims to analyze the relationship savagery, racial conquest, intersectionality, and genocide have concerning the fear of the racialized male. Black, Jewish, and Arab men and boys are of central concern, but various readings will explore the experiences of Armenian, Serbian, and other racial male groups exterminated and sexually assaulted throughout genocidal and colonial events. Texts will introduce students to theories such as: Global South Masculinities, Multiple Masculinities, Social Dominance Theory, Black Male Studies, and Gendercide, to better explain the experiences and lives of racialized males oppressed by white empire.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: The student will be able to analytically distinguish between various forms of subjugated maleness (e.g.: racialized, ethnic, and economic). By the end of the course the student will be able to (1) explain the various figures and authors of Global South Masculinities, Social Dominance Theory, and Black Male Studies, (2) explain and analyze various theories and arguments in Black Male Studies with reference to a particular case or cases, (3) understand the relationship between patriarchy, colonialism, and other areas of male subordination, (4) develop and explain their views of gender/genre.

ASSESSMENT: The student will be graded in three areas: (1) A Midterm Essay worth (40%), (2) a participation grade worth (5%) that will be assessed based on participation on discussion forums and assignments, and (3) their Final Paper (55%). The MIDTERM PAPER is expected to be a 1,500-word essay exploring one themes from the class readings. The FINAL PAPER is expected to be a 3,000-word essay analyzing a decolonial theory from the course and its application to contemporary social problems dealing with racism, anti-Blackness, and colonial violence. It is the expectation that the student will write about two different topics over the course of the class. The MID-TERM is due Thursday February 25th, 2021 at 12 p.m. The FINAL PAPER is due Thursday April 15th by 12pm For students considering a DISSERTATION, your coursework dissertation decision is due Monday, February 22nd, 2021 by 12pm. For those decide to take the dissertation option, your 5,000-word DISSERTATION ESSAY is due Tuesday 20th April 13th, 2021 by 12 p.m.
READING SCHEDULE

WEEK ONE: THE RAPE OF BLACK MEN DURING SLAVERY


WEEK TWO: THE ETHNOLOGICAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE SAVAGE MALE


WEEK THREE: PATRIARCHY & KINSHIP IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH: ERROL MILLER’S MALE MARGINALIZATION THESIS


WEEK FOUR: HEGEMONIC AND SUBORDINATE MASCULINITIES— METHODOLOGICAL CONSIDERATIONS


WEEK FIVE: GENDERCIDE AND BLACK MALE DISPOSABILITY


WEEK SIX: SOCIAL DOMINANCE THEORY AND THE SUBORDINATE MALE TARGET HYPOTHESIS

WEEK SEVEN: THEORY OF GENDERED PREJUDICE—DEBATES CONCERNING INTERSECTIONALITY


WEEK EIGHT: BLACK MALE STUDIES AND INTERSECTIONALITY’S BLACK MALE PROBLEM


WEEK NINE: EXPLAINING POLICE KILLINGS THROUGH BLACK MALE VULNERABILITY


WEEK TEN: ON THE RAPE OF RACIALIZED/ALIEN MALES

WEEK ELEVEN: THE RAPE OF ALIEN MEN DURING WARS AND CONFLICT