

PSCI 391.01

Immigration, Citizenship, and National Identity

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Course Description

The nations of Western Europe and North America (the United States and Canada) have simultaneously experienced enormous waves of immigration over the past quarter century. These new immigrants come overwhelmingly from poorer countries, often ex-colonies, and culturally they differ significantly from the settled populations of these wealthy democracies. In both North America and Europe this immigration poses profound questions for national identity. What does it mean to be an American? Who can be German? What is a French citizen? Given the large numbers of immigrants seeking permanent residence, these societies have come to question what the character of citizenship is and should be. In this course we will explore a series of issues related to the new immigration, including the social, economic, and political forces giving rise to it; how different nations have chosen to define citizenship and how those rules affect immigrants; the strategies for incorporation of immigrants followed by recipient states, ranging from multiculturalism to assimilation; attempts to control immigration; and the implications of immigration for recipient societies' economic prosperity and national security.

Course Requirements

Attendance: This course meets twice a week. Attendance is required and students who have more than two unexcused absences will receive a grade penalty. Students with excessive absences may be dropped from the course.

Readings: Students are expected to complete the readings in advance and come to class *prepared to discuss* them. Students are encouraged not to fall behind in the readings because it may be difficult to catch up later in the semester and may adversely affect their participation grade.

Written Assignments: There are three major assignments for this course: a mid-term take-home examination, a fifteen page research paper, and a final examination. The comprehensive final exam will be held in the regularly scheduled exam period, December 14, 1:30-3:30 pm. You must take the exam at that time unless you have an excuse from the Dean of Students. The mid-term exam will be due on October 12 at 5:00 pm. The

paper is due on November 30 at 5:00 pm. You should discuss your paper topic with us by the middle of October. Papers must be typed and double-spaced in a 12 point, easy-to-read font. The papers should be well written and proofread. The paper grade will be based on the originality and clarity of the thesis; the logic, persuasiveness, and depth of the argument; the evidence provided; and the organization and style. Deductions will be taken for typographical, spelling and grammatical errors. Late papers will be penalized one grade per day and no late papers will be accepted after a week.

The final grade for the course will be determined as follows:

Mid-term Exam	25%
Paper	30%
Final Exam	35%
Participation	10%

Active and valuable contributions to class discussion can earn improvement in your final grade. We reserve the right to make changes in the syllabus should we fall behind or get ahead on certain topics. These changes will be announced in class.

Books

The following books are required for the course and available for purchase in the book store:

Stephen Castles and Mark J. Miller, *The Age of Migration: International Population Movements in the Modern World*, Third Edition (Guilford Press, 2003).

Douglas S. Massey, Jorge Durand, and Nolan J. Malone, *Beyond Smoke and Mirrors: Mexican Immigration in an Era of Economic Integration* (Russell Sage Foundation, 2003).

Alejandro Portes and Rubén G. Rumbaut, *Immigrant America: A Portrait*, Third Edition (University of California Press, 2006).

Jonathan Laurence and Justin Vaisse, *Integrating Islam: Political and Religious Challenges in Contemporary France* (Brookings, 2006).

Rogers Brubaker, *Citizenship and Nationhood in France and Germany* (Harvard University Press, 1992).

There are several required articles on e-res or available in the course Moodle site. These are noted in the syllabus.

Academic Honesty: Academic dishonesty is a serious offense. All students must follow the College's policies regarding academic honesty as outlined in the Student Handbook. If you have any questions regarding this issue, please consult with me before submitting work. All work must be your own and done specifically for this class and all materials consulted, paraphrased and quoted must be cited.

Disabilities: If you have a hidden or visible disability which may require classroom or test accommodations, please see one of us as soon as possible during a scheduled office hour. If you have not already done so, you must register with the Coordinator of Disability Services, Erin Salva, salvae@kenyon.edu, or x5145, who is the individual responsible for coordinating accommodations and services for students with disabilities. All information and documentation of disabilities are strictly confidential. No accommodations will be granted in this course without notification from the Office of Disability Services.

Date	Topic, Reading Assignment, and Other Requirements
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INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

August 29	Introduction - Why Is Immigration So Controversial?
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David Kennedy, "Can We Still Afford to be a Nation of Immigrants?" *The Atlantic Monthly*, November 1996, pp. 52-68.

Jane Kramer, "Difference," *The New Yorker*, November 21, 2005.

Roger Lowenstein, "The Immigration Equation," *New York Times*, July 9, 2006.

Gregory Rodriguez, "Mongrel America," *The Atlantic Monthly*, January/February 2003, pp. 95-97.

August 31	World-wide Migration Patterns
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Stephen Castles and Mark J. Miller, *The Age of Migration: International Population Movements in the Modern World*, Third Edition (New York: Guilford Press, 2003), ch. 1, pp. 1-20.

Alejandro Portes and Rubén G. Rumbaut, *Immigrant America: A Portrait*, Third Edition (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2006), chs. 1 and 2, pp. 1-36.

Jackie Northam, "Changing Face of America: Iowa Immigrants," *All Things Considered*, March 28, 2001.

Pam Belluck, "Short of People, Iowa Seeks To Be Ellis Island of Midwest," *New York Times*, August 28, 2000.

Mark Siebert, "Influx of Immigrants Alters Marshalltown," *Des Moines Register*, February 18, 2001.

Jane Norman and José De Jesus, "Iowa's Future Linked to Fate of Immigration," *Des Moines Register*, April 2, 2006.

September 5	Migration in Historical Perspective
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Castles and Miller, ch. 3-4, pp. 50-93.

Portes and Rumbaut, ch. 3, pp. 12-66.

Douglas S. Massey, Jorge Durand and Norman J. Malone, *Beyond Smoke and Mirrors, Mexican Immigration in an Era of Economic Integration* (New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2003), Ch. 1.

September 7

Globalization and Recent Patterns of Migration

Castles and Miller, Chs. 6 and 7, pp. 122-177.

THEORIES OF MIGRATION

September 12

Economic Explanations of Immigration

Castles and Miller, ch. 2, pp. 21-49.

George J. Borjas, "Economics of Migration," *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences* (Elsevier, 2000).

Wayne A. Cornelius, "The Structural Embeddedness of Demand for Mexican Immigrant Labor," in Marcelo Suárez-Orozco (ed.), *Crossings: Mexican Immigration in Interdisciplinary Perspectives* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1998), pp. 115-155.

September 14

Sociological Approaches to Immigration

Alejandro Portes and József Böröcz, "Contemporary Immigration: Theoretical Perspectives on Its Determinants and Modes of Incorporation," *International Migration Review*, 23, 3 (Autumn 1989), pp. 606-630.

Massey et al., ch. 2

ASPECTS OF THE IMMIGRATION EXPERIENCE

Labor Incorporation and Economic Impact

September 19

The Integration of Immigrants into the Labor Force

Castles and Miller, ch. 8, pp. 178-97.

Portes and Rumbaut, ch. 4, pp. 67-102.

David Griffith, "*Hay Trabajo: Poultry Processing, Rural Industrialization, and the Latinization of Low-Wage Labor*," in *Any Way You Cut It: Meat Processing and Small-Town America*, ed. Donald Stull, Michael Broadway, and David Griffith (Lawrence:

University of Kansas Press, 1995), pp. 129-51.

September 21

The Economic Impact of Immigration

George Borjas, "The New Economics of Immigration," *The Atlantic Monthly*, November 1996, pp. 72-80.

David Coleman and Robert Rowthorn, "The Economic Effects of Immigration into the United Kingdom," *Population and Development Review*, 30, 4 (December 2004), pp. 579-624.

Julie Murray, Jeanne Batalova, and Michael Fix, "The Impact of Immigration on Native Workers: A Fresh Look at the Evidence," Migration Policy Institute, Insight No. 18, July 2006.

José De Jesus, "Illegal Immigration: Worlds Collide." *Des Moines Register*, April 10, 2006.

"Marshalltown: Reaching Out to All to Say 'Welcome,'" *Des Moines Register*, November 12, 2006.

Citizenship and Identity

September 26

**Citizenship and National Identity: Theoretical Issues
What does it mean to be a citizen? What is national identity?**

Rogers Brubaker, *Citizenship and Nationhood in France and Germany* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1992), introduction and chs. 1-3, pp. 1-72.

September 28

Models of Citizenship: France and Germany Compared

Brubaker, chs. 4-8, pp. 75-178. Skim chs. 5-6.

October 3

Citizenship in Comparative Perspective

Brubaker, Conclusion, pp. 179-189.

Simon Green, "Towards an Open Society Citizenship and Immigration," in *Developments in German Politics 3*, edited by Stephen Padgett, William Paterson and Gordon Smith (Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2003), pp. 227-247.

Jane Kramer, "The Dutch Model: Multiculturalism and Muslim Immigrants," *The New Yorker*, April 3, 2006, pp. 60-7.

Video: *Coming to the Netherlands*, produced for the Netherlands Ministry of Justice (2005).

October 5

National Identity and Citizenship

Marc Morje Howard, "Variations in Dual Citizenship Policies in the Countries of the European Union," *International Migration Review*, 39, 3 (2005), pp. 697-720.

Irene Bloemraad, "Who Claims Dual Citizenship?" *International Migration Review*, 38, 2 (2004), pp. 389-426

T. Alexander Aleinikoff and Douglas Klusmeyer, "Plural Nationality: Facing the Future in a Migratory World," in *Citizenship Today: Global Perspectives and Practices*, edited by Aleinikoff and Klusmeyer (Washington: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 2001), pp. 63-88.

A. Cortese, "As Rules Ease, More Citizens Choose to Fly Two Flags," *The New York Times*, July 15, 2001.

Education, Language, and the Second Generation

October 10

Education and Language Acquisition – Multiculturalism, Integration, and Assimilation

Samuel P. Huntington, "The Hispanic Challenge," *Foreign Policy*, no. 141 (March-April 2004), pp. 30-45.

Portes and Rumbaut, ch. 7, pp. 205-43.

M.E. Sprengelmeyer, "Immigration Transforms Heartland Town," *Rocky Mountain News*, June 15, 2007.

October 12

The Second Generation

Portes and Rumbaut, ch. 8, pp. 244-98.

Midterm due at 5:00.

Religion

October 17

Religious Difference and Fitting In

Jonathan Laurence and Justin Vaisse, *Integrating Islam: Political and Religious Challenges in Contemporary France* (Washington:

Brookings, 2006), introduction and chs. 1-3, pp. 1-97.

October 19

Policy Responses

Laurence and Vaisse, Part II, chs. 5-7, pp. 135-94.

Jane Kramer, "Taking the Veil," *The New Yorker*, November 22, 2004, pp. 59-71.

Patrick Weil, "Lifting the Veil," *French Politics, Culture and Society*, 22, 3 (Fall 2004), pp. 142-9.

October 24

Religion and Politics

Portes and Rumbaut, ch. 9, pp. 299-342.

Laurence and Vaisse, Part III, chs. 8-11, pp. 195-270.

October 26

Formulating Policy: Actors, Institutions, Choices

U.S. Immigration Policy up to 1986

Massey, *et al.*, chs. 3-4, pp. 24-72.

October 31

The 1986 Immigration Reforms and Why They Didn't Work

Massey, *et al.*, chs. 5-6, pp. 73-141.

Wayne A. Cornelius, "Controlling 'Unwanted' Immigration: Lessons from the United States, 1993-2004," *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 31, 4 (July 2005), pp. 775-794.

Christopher Conte, "Strangers on the Prairie," *Governing Magazine*, January 2002.

November 2

Illegal Immigration into Europe

Castles and Miller, Ch. 5.

Wayne A. Cornelius, "If You Build It, They'll Come Anyway," *Los Angeles Times*, May 28, 2006.

Video: *Living with Illegals*, written and presented by Sorious Samura; filmed and directed by Elizabeth C. Jones (Insight News TV for Channel 4 in association with Canadian Broadcasting Corporation TV News, 2006).

November 7 **Illegal Immigration in the U.S.**

Video: *Golden Venture*, written, produced, and directed by Peter Cohn (Hillcrest Films, 2006).

Wayne A. Cornelius, "Death at the Border: Efficacy and Unintended Consequences of US Immigration Control Policy," *Population and Development Review*, 27, 4 (December 2001), pp. 661-85.

Philip Brasher and Jerry Perkins, "Immigration Raid Nets Scores of Swift Workers," *Des Moines Register*, December 13, 2006.

Jennifer Jacobs, "Raid Aftermath: A Detainee's Story," *Des Moines Register*, December 17, 2006.

November 9 **Local and National Responses**

Video: *Farmingville*, a film by Carlos Sandoval and Catherine Tambini (Camino Bluff Productions, 2004).

Mark A. Grey and Anne C. Woodrick, "'Latinos Have Revitalized Our Community:' Mexican Migration and Anglo Responses in Marshalltown, Iowa," in *New Destinations: Mexican Immigration in the United States*, ed. Víctor Zúñiga and Rubén Hernández-León, (New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2005), pp. 133-54.

Melissa Block, "Arrested Immigrants' Families Struggle in Iowa," *All Things Considered*, December 18, 2006.

Jerry Perkins, "Vilsack Blasts Immigration Raid, Demands an Overhaul of System," *Des Moines Register*, December 20, 2006.

November 14 **Migrants and Politics: Organizing For and Against the Immigrant Community**

Portes and Rumbaut, Ch. 5, pp. 117-67.

Castles and Miller, Ch. 11, pp. 255-77.

Miriam Jordan, "Anti-Immigration Activists Roil the Heartland," *Wall Street Journal*, July 16, 2007.

November 16

Links between Sending and Receiving Communities

J. Edward Taylor, "The New Economics of Labour Migration and the Role of Remittances in the Migration Process," *International Migration*, 37, 1 (1999), pp. 63-86.

Xóchitl Bada, "Mexican Hometown Associations," Citizen Action in the Americas No. 5, Americas Program, Interhemispheric Resource Center (IRC), March 2003.

Video: *The Sixth Section*, produced and directed by Alex Rivera (Second Generation Media, 2003).

Tim Paluch, "City Leaders Visit Origin of Immigrants' Journey," *Des Moines Register*, February 27, 2003.

November 28

Controlling Immigration: The Debate in Europe

Castles and Miller, Ch. 11

Joanne van Selm and Eleni Tsolakis, "EU Enlargement and the Limits of Freedom," Migration Information Source, Migration Policy Institute, May 1, 2004.

Hans Georg Betz, "The New Politics of Resentment: Radical Right Wing Populist Parties in Western Europe," *Comparative Politics* 25, 4 (July 1993), pp. 413-427.

Roger Karapin, "Radical-Right and Neo-Fascist Political Parties in Western Europe," *Comparative Politics*, 30, 2 (January 1998), pp. 213-234.

Damir Skenderovic, "Immigration and the Radical Right in Switzerland: Ideology, Discourse and Opportunities," *Patterns of Prejudice*, 41, 2 (2007), pp. 155-176.

Thomas Fuller, "Backlash in Europe: Foreign Workers Face Turning Tide," *International Herald Tribune*, December 24, 2002.

Richard Bernstein, "Europa: A Land of Immigrants, But Do Germans Know?" *International Herald Tribune*, June 25, 2004.

November 30

The Debate in Europe

Why has immigration policy become an EU sphere of competence?

Sandra Lavenex, "The Europeanization of Refugee Policies: Normative Challenges and Institutional Legacies," *Journal of Common Market Studies*, 39, 5 (December 2001), pp. 851-74.

Research paper due at 5:00 pm.

December 5

The Current Debate in the U.S.: The Policy Proposals and Why They Failed

Economic Report of the President, February 2007 (Washington: Government Printing Office, 2007), ch. 9, pp. 189-206.

Nick Timiraos, "Immigration: What's in the New Bill?" *Wall Street Journal*, May 19, 2007.

Tamar Jacoby, "Immigration Nation," *Foreign Affairs*, 85, 6 (November/December 2006).

Limay Ho, "Family-Based Immigration Made My American Dream," *New America Media*, August 2, 2007.

Yudhijit Bhattacharjee, "U.S. Immigration Bill Would Extend Warmer Welcome to Highly Skilled," *Science*, June 1, 2007, p. 1268.

Miriam Jordan, Pui-Wing Tam and Lauren Etter, "Business Divided as Debate Opens on Immigration: Bill Pleases Employers of Unskilled Laborers, But High-Tech Objects," *Wall Street Journal*, May 22, 2007.

Portes and Rumbaut, Ch. 10

Massey et al., Conclusion

December 7

The Current Debate: The Politics of Immigration Reform in the Post September 11th World

Jim Rutenberg, "Texas Town, Now Divided, Forged Bush's Firm Stand on Immigration," *New York Times*, June 24, 2007.

Tamar Jacoby, "Immigration's Future: The Senate Compromise Asks the Right Questions," *Washington Post*, May 23, 2007.

Peter D. Salins, "The 'Guest Worker' Folly," *Wall Street Journal*, June 6, 2007.

Gordon H. Hanson, "Dodging the Guest-Worker Bullet," *Wall Street Journal*, July 5, 2007.

"Immigration Non-Harvest," *Wall Street Journal*, July 20, 2007.

Castles and Miller, Ch. 12