UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
Department of Political Science

POL 490H / 2102H (S)
Topics in Canadian Politics I:
Immigration and Multiculturalism in Canada

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1. COURSE OVERVIEW AND OBJECTIVES

It is now almost cliché to describe Canada as a country of immigrants, but the effects of international mobility and settlement are evident in nearly every aspect of our lives, from our commerce to our entertainment and our politics. In spite of this, the social and economic effects of immigration and multiculturalism continue to raise questions, and there is by no means policy consensus on how these issues should be managed. This course will examine Canadian immigration and multiculturalism using theoretical, empirical and applied approaches. We will look at normative foundations and critiques, the components and outcomes of the policy framework, and the impact of immigration and multiculturalism on other domains.

2. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

This is an advanced seminar course with an emphasis on reading, writing, participation and critical reflection. There are no exams or tests.

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3. READINGS

Readings will be available from four sources:

**Blackboard** = resource available through the Blackboard site for this course (see below)
**Reserve** = resource available through 2-hour reserve at Robarts Library
**Journal** = Journal article available through the U of T Library catalogue
**eBook** = Electronic book available through the U of T Library catalogue

4. CLASS SCHEDULE

January 7: Introduction, Expectations and Assignment of Seminar Topics

January 14: Foundations


Canadian Council for Refugees. [Refugees and immigrants: a glossary](#). (Blackboard)

January 21: Theoretical and Normative Debates


January 28: Immigration Policy


National Film Board. 1989. *Who Gets In*. Film.  (Blackboard)

* Critical reflection 1 must be submitted in class by January 28 *

February 4: Immigration Exclusions


Debra Black. 2013. Canada’s immigration history one of discrimination and exclusion. *Toronto Star*. 15 February.  (Blackboard)


* Research essay proposal due in class on February 4 *

February 11: Settlement and Integration


National Film Board. 2007. *24 Days in Brooks*. Film. (Blackboard)

*February 17-21: Reading Week* (no classes = a good time to work on your research essay!)*

**February 25: Multiculturalism**


National Film Board. 2006. *Making It*. Film. (Blackboard)

*Critical reflection 2 must be submitted in class by February 25 *

**March 4: Citizenship and Identity**


March 11: Media Coverage and Public Opinion

Harald Bauder. 2011. *Immigration Dialectic: Imagining Community, Economy and Nation*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press. pp. 81-134. (Reserve)


March 18: Threats, Fears and Backlash


CBC’s The Passionate Eye. *True Love or Marriage Fraud?* Film. (Blackboard)

March 25: Immigration, Multiculturalism and Electoral Politics


* Critical reflection 3 must be submitted in class by March 25 *

April 1: Research and Working in the Field


Irene Bloemraad. 2013. The promise and pitfalls of comparative research design in the study of migration. *Migration Studies* 1(1). (Blackboard)


* Research Essay due in class on April 1 *

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