

## **Class Analysis: Theory, Research, Debates**

This seminar will provide an overview of theory and research in the area of class analysis. The course will begin with a discussion of the pervasive denial or dismissal of class inequality and class conflict by ideological representatives of both the political Right and political Left in America. We will then turn to a discussion of the main theoretical perspectives in class analysis (neo-Marxist, neo-Weberian, neo-Durkheimian, neo-Ricardian), debates within and between these theoretical traditions, and noteworthy efforts to develop syntheses between theoretical perspectives. The next section of the course will focus more closely on questions that have been particularly important in contemporary class analysis, both as motivations to theoretical innovation and as topics of empirical research. These include the historical transformation and internal differentiation of the working class, the nature and politics of the middle classes, the relationship between class and race, and the relationship between class and gender.

Evaluation will be based mainly on class participation. Students will be expected to take responsibility for introducing specific readings, proposing questions for class discussion, and being prepared to articulate their own views on strengths, weaknesses, political implications, or empirical applications of the ideas encountered in the readings. There is no required writing assignment for the course; however, I am happy to read and provide feedback and/or meet and discuss any paper you wish to submit so long as it takes the form of a preliminary proposal for work that might result in a theoretical or empirical journal article on class analysis.

I encourage everyone to purchase a copy of Erik Olin Wright (ed.), *Approaches to Class Analysis*. Most other readings for the course will be available online through Knight Library or will be placed on electronic reserve. Copies of this syllabus and other course materials may be found at <http://pages.uoregon.edu/vburris/soc610>.

### **Course Outline (\*asterisk indicates required readings):**

#### **Week 1 (January 5). Introduction (no readings)**

#### **Week 2 (January 12). The Denial of Class: Mobility, Meritocracy, and Diversity**

##### ***Cultural Diversity versus Class Inequality***

\*Michaels, Walter Benn, *The Trouble with Diversity: How We Learned to Love Identity and Ignore Inequality*. New York: Holt, 2006.

Gitlin, Todd. 1996. *The Twilight of Common Dreams: Why America is Wracked by Culture Wars*. New York: Holt.

Woods, Ellen Meiksins. 1986. *The Retreat from Class*. London: Verso.

##### ***The Limits of Class Mobility***

Smith, Kevin B. 1981. "Class Structure and Intergenerational Mobility from a Marxian Perspective." *Sociological Quarterly* 22:385-401.

- Blau, Peter and Otis Dudley Duncan. 1967. *The American Occupational Structure*. New York: Free Press.
- Breiger, Ronald L. 1981. "The Social Class Structure of Occupational Mobility." *American Journal of Sociology* 87:578-611.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 2000. *Class Counts: Comparative Studies in Class Analysis* (abridged student edition), chapter 5. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Sawhill, Isabel and John E. Morton. 2006. *Economic Mobility: Is the American Dream Alive and Well?* Washington, DC: Pew Charitable Trusts. ([http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/2006/04/Hertz\\_MobilityAnalysis.pdf](http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/2006/04/Hertz_MobilityAnalysis.pdf))
- Goldthorpe, John H. 1987. *Social Mobility and Class Structure in Modern Britain*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Oxford: Clarendon Press.
- Erikson, Robert and John H. Goldthorpe. 1992. *The Constant Flux: A Study of Class Mobility in Industrial Societies*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Goldthorpe, John H. and Michelle Jackson. 2007. "Intergenerational Class Mobility in Contemporary Britain." *British Journal of Sociology* 58:525-546.
- Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. 2010. "A Family Affair: Intergenerational Social Mobility across OECD Countries." Chapter 5 of *Economic Policy Reforms: Going for Growth 2010*. (<http://www.oecd.org/dataoecd/2/7/45002641.pdf>)

### ***The Myth of Meritocracy***

- Davis, Kingsley and Wilber Moore. 1945. "Some Principles of Stratification." *American Sociological Review* 10:242-249.
- Young, Michael. 1958. *The Rise of Meritocracy*. London: Thames & Hudson.
- Bowles, Samuel and Herbert Gintis. 1976. *Schooling in Capitalist America*. New York: Basic Books.
- Bowles, Samuel and Herbert Gintis. 2002. "Schooling in Capitalist America Revisited." *Sociology of Education* 75:1-18.
- Arrow, Kenneth, Samuel Bowles, and Steven Durlauf, eds. 2000. *Meritocracy and Economic Inequality*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- McNamee, Stephen J. and Robert K. Miller. 2004. *The Meritocracy Myth*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

### ***The Weakness of Class Awareness in the United States***

- Jackman, Mary R. and Robert W. Jackman. 1983. *Class Awareness in the United States*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Vanneman, Reeve and Lynn W. Cannon. 1987. *The American Perception of Class*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press.
- New York Times*. 2005. *Class Matters*. New York: Times Books.

### ***Theories of the Death of Class (and Their Critics)***

- \*Pakulski, Jan. 2005. "Foundations of a Post-Class Analysis." Chapter 6 of Erik Olin Wright, ed., *Approaches to Class Analysis*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Nisbet, Robert A. 1959. "The Decline and Fall of Social Class." *Pacific Sociological Review* 2:11-17.
- Gorz, Andre. 1982. *Farewell to the Working Class*. Boston: South End Press.
- Clark, Terry N. and Seymour M. Lipset. 1991. "Are Social Classes Dying?" *International Sociology* 6:397-410.

- Kingston, Paul W. 1994. "Are There Classes in the United States?" *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 13:3-41.
- Kingston, Paul W. 2000. *The Classless Society*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.
- Pakulski, Jan and Malcom Waters, 1996. "The Reshaping and Dissolution of Social Class in Advanced Society." *Theory and Society* 25:667-691.
- Manza, Jeff and Clem Brooks. 1996. "Does Class Analysis Still Have Anything to Contribute to the Study of Politics?" *Theory and Society* 25:717-724.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 1996. "The Continuing Relevance of Class Analysis: Comments," *Theory and Society* 25:693-716.
- Pakulski, Jan and Malcom Waters. 1996. "Misreading Status as Class: A Reply to Our Critics." *Theory and Society* 25:731-736.
- Pakulski, Jan and Malcolm Waters. 1996. *The Death of Class*. London: Sage.
- Scott, John. 2002. "Social Class and Stratification in Late Modernity." *Acta Sociologica* 45:23-45.

### **Week 3 (January 19). Marxist and neo-Marxist Theories of Class**

#### ***Classical Marxism***

- Marx, Karl and Frederick Engels. 1978. *The Manifesto of the Communist Party*, Parts I-II. In Robert C. Tucker, ed., *The Marx-Engels Reader*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., pp. 469-491.
- Marx, Karl. 1978. *Wage Labour and Capital*. In Robert C. Tucker, ed., *The Marx-Engels Reader*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., pp. 203-217.
- Marx, Karl. 1978. *The Eighteenth Brumaire of Louis Bonaparte*. In Robert C. Tucker, ed., *The Marx-Engels Reader*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., pp. 594-617.
- Marx, Karl. 1967. *Capital*, Vol III, chapters 42, 51, and 52. New York: International Publishers.
- Kautsky, Karl. 1971. *The Class Struggle*. New York: W.W. Norton.
- Draper, Hal. 1978. *Karl Marx's Theory of Revolution, Volume II: The Politics of Social Classes*. New York: Monthly Review Press.

#### ***Neo-Marxist Theories (and Their Critics)***

- \*Wright, Erik Olin. 2005. "Foundations of a Neo-Marxist Class Analysis." Chapter 1 of Erik Olin Wright, ed., *Approaches to Class Analysis*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- \*Wright, Erik Olin. 1980. "Varieties of Marxist Conceptions of Class Structure." *Politics and Society* 93:323-370.
- \*Wright, Erik Olin et al. 1989. *The Debate on Classes*, chapters 1, 2, 3, 5, 8. London: Verso.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 1976. "Class Boundaries in Advanced Capitalist Societies." *New Left Review* 98:3-42.
- Wright, Erik Olin and Luca Perrone. 1977. "Marxist Class Categories and Income Inequality." *American Sociological Review* 42:32-55.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 1985. *Classes*. London: Verso.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 1994. *Interrogating Inequality: Essays on Class Analysis, Socialism, and Marxism*, Part I. London: Verso.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 2000. *Class Counts: Comparative Studies in Class Analysis* (abridged student edition), chapter 1. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

- Burris, Val. 1987. "Class Structure and Political Ideology." *Insurgent Sociologist* 14(2):5-46.  
Reprinted in Rhonda F. Levine (ed.), *Enriching the Sociological Imagination*, pp. 139-64.  
Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2004.
- Poulantzas, Nicos. 1975. *Classes in Contemporary Capitalism*. London: New Left Books.
- Carchedi, Guglielmo. 1977. *On the Economic Identification of Social Classes*. London:  
Routledge & Kegan Paul.
- Cottrell, Allin. 1984. *Social Classes in Marxist Theory*. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.
- Szymanski, Albert. 1983. *Class Structure: A Critical Perspective*. New York: Praeger.
- Roemer, John 1982. *A General Theory of Exploitation and Class*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

## **Week 4 (January 26). Weberian and Neo-Weberian Theories of Class**

### ***Max Weber***

- Weber, Max. 1946. "Class, Status, and Party." In Hans Gerth and C. Wright Mills, eds., *From Max Weber*, pp. 180-195. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Turner, Bryan S. 1981. *For Weber*. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.

### ***Neo-Weberian Theories (and Their Critics)***

- \*Breen, Richard. 2005. "Foundations of a Neo-Weberian Class Analysis." Chapter 2 of Erik Olin Wright, ed., *Approaches to Class Analysis*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Dahrendorf, Ralf. 1959. *Class and Class Conflict in Industrial Society*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.
- Robinson, Robert V. and Jonathan Kelley 1979. "Class as Conceived by Marx and Dahrendorf." *American Sociological Review* 82:38-58.
- Ossowski, Stanislaw. 1963. *Class Structure and Social Consciousness*. New York: Free Press.
- Collins, Randall. 1979. *The Credential Society*. New York: Academic Press.
- Parkin, Frank. 1971. *Class Inequality and Political Order*. New York: Praeger.
- Parkin, Frank. 1979. *Marxism and Class Theory: A Bourgeois Critique*. New York: Columbia University Press.
- Barbalet, Jack M. 1980. "Principles of Stratification in Max Weber: An Interpretation and Critique." *British Journal of Sociology* 31:401-418.
- Barbalet, Jack M. 1982. "Social Closure in Class Analysis: A Critique of Parkin." *Sociology* 164:484-497.
- \*Murphy, Raymond 1984. "The Structure of Closure: A Critique and Development of the Theories of Weber, Collins, and Parkin." *British Journal of Sociology* 354:547-556.
- Murphy, Raymond, 1988. *Social Closure: The Theory of Monopolization and Exclusion*. Oxford: Clarendon Press.
- Manza, Jeff. 1992. "Classes, Status Groups, and Social Closure: A Critique of Neo-Weberian Social Theory." *Current Perspectives in Social Theory* 12:275-302.
- Giddens, Anthony. 1973. *The Class Structure of the Advanced Societies*. New York: Harper & Row.
- Giddens, Anthony. 1981. *A Contemporary Critique of Historical Materialism*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 1983. "Giddens's Critique of Marxism." *New Left Review* 138:11-35.

- Callinicos, Alex. 1985. "Anthony Giddens: A Contemporary Critique." *Theory and Society* 14:133-166.
- Goldthorpe, John H. 1982. "On the Service Class, its Formation and Future." In A. Giddens and G. Mackenzie eds., *Social Classes and the Division of Labour*, pp. 162-185. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Goldthorpe, John H. 2000. "Social Class and the Differentiation of Employment Contracts." In *On Sociology*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Marshall, Gordon and John H. Goldthorpe. 1992. "The Promising Future of Class Analysis." *Sociology* 26:381-400.
- Lee, David J. and Bryan S. Turner. 1996. *Conflicts about Class: Debating Inequality in Late Industrialism*. London: Longman.

### ***Comparisons and Syntheses of Marxist and Weberian Theories***

- \*Burris, Val. 1987. "The Neo-Marxist Synthesis of Marx and Weber on Class." In Norbert Wiley ed., *The Marx-Weber Debate*, pp. 67-90. Newbury Park, CA: Sage.
- Burris, Val. 1990. "Classes in Contemporary Capitalist Society: Recent Marxist and Weberian Perspectives." In Stewart R. Clegg, ed., *Organization Theory and Class Analysis*, pp. 55-74. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter & Company
- Abercrombie, Nicholas and John Urry. 1983. *Capital, Labour, and the Middle Classes*. London: Allen & Unwin,
- Mann, Michael. 1993. *The Sources of Social Power, Volume 2: The Rise of Classes and Nation States, 1760-1914*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Scott, John. 1996. *Stratification and Power*. Cambridge: Polity Press.
- Tilly, Charles. 1998. *Durable Inequality*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Savage, Michael. 2000. *Class Analysis and Social Transformation*. Buckingham: Open University Press.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 2002. "The Shadow of Exploitation in Weber's Class Analysis." *American Sociological Review* 67:832-853.

### ***Bourdieu's Synthesis***

- \*Weininger, Elliott B. 2005. "Foundations of Pierre Bourdieu's Class Analysis." Chapter 4 of Erik Olin Wright, ed., *Approaches to Class Analysis*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Bourdieu, Pierre and Jean-Claude Passeron. 1977. *Reproduction in Education, Society, and Culture*. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage.
- Bourdieu, Pierre and Loic Wacquant. 1992. *An Invitation to Reflexive Sociology*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Bourdieu, Pierre. 1984. *Distinction: A Social Critique of the Judgment of Taste*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- Bourdieu, Pierre. 1987. "What Makes a Social Class? On the Theoretical and Practical Existence of Groups." *Berkeley Journal of Sociology* 32:1-18.
- Bourdieu, Pierre. 1991. "Social Space and the Genesis of Classes." In *Language and Symbolic Power*, pp. 229-251. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- Calhoun, Craig, Edward LiPuma, and Moishe Postone. 1993. *Bourdieu: Critical Perspectives*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Weininger, Elliott B. 2001. "Class and Causation in Bourdieu." *Current Perspectives in Social Theory* 21:49-114.

## **Week 5 (February 2). Neo-Durkheimian and Neo-Ricardian Theories of Class**

### ***Neo-Durkheimian (Occupation-Based) Theories***

- \*Grusky, David and Gabriela Galescu. 2005. "Foundations of a Neo-Durkheimian Class Analysis." Chapter 3 of Erik Olin Wright, ed., *Approaches to Class Analysis*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Grusky, David B. and Jesper B. Sørensen. 1998. "Can Class Analysis Be Salvaged." *American Journal of Sociology* 103:1187-1234.
- Grusky, David B. and Kim A. Weeden. 2001. "Decomposition without Death: A Research Agenda for a New Class Analysis." *Acta Sociologica* 44:203-218.
- Goldthorpe, John H. 2002. "Occupational Sociology, Yes: Class Analysis, No: Comment on Grusky and Weeden's Research Agenda." *Acta Sociologica* 45:211-217.
- Birkelund, Gunn Elisabeth. 2002. "A Class Analysis for the Future? Comment on Grusky and Weeden." *Acta Sociologica* 45:217-221.
- \*Therborn, Goran. 2002. "Class Perspectives: Shrink or Widen?" *Acta Sociologica* 45:221-225.
- Grusky, David B. and Kim A. Weeden. 2002. "Reply: Class Analysis and the Heavy Weight of Convention." *Acta Sociologica* 45:229-236.
- Weeden, Kim and David Grusky. 2005. "The Case for a New Class Map," *American Journal of Sociology* 111:141-212.
- Vanneman, Reeve. 1977. "The Occupational Composition of American Classes." *American Journal of Sociology* 44:783-807.

### ***Neo-Ricardian (Rent-Based) Theories***

- \* Sørensen, Aage B. 2005. "Foundations of a Rent-Based Class Analysis." Chapter 5 of Erik Olin Wright, ed., *Approaches to Class Analysis*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Sørensen, Aage B. 1996. "The Structural Basis of Social Inequality." *American Journal of Sociology* 101:1333-65.
- Sørensen, Aage B. 2000. "Towards a Sounder Basis for Class Analysis." *American Journal of Sociology* 105:1523-1558.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 2000. "Class, Exploitation, and Economic Rents: Reflections on Sørensen's 'Sounder Basis'." *American Journal of Sociology* 105:1559-1571.
- \*Goldthorpe, John H. 2000. "Rent, Class Conflict, and Class Structure: A Comment on Sørensen." *American Journal of Sociology* 105:1572-1582.
- Rueschemeyer, Dietrich and James Mahoney. 2000. "A Neo-Utilitarian Theory of Class?" *American Journal of Sociology* 105:1583-1591.

## **Week 6 (February 9). The Working Class**

### ***The Labor Process, Labor Markets, and Internal Differentiation of the Working Class***

- Goldthorpe, John H, David Lockwood, Frank Bechhofer, and Jennifer Platt. 1969. *The Affluent Worker in the Class Structure*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Edwards, Richard. 1975. "The Social Relations of Production in the Firm and Labor Market Structure." In Richard Edwards, Michael Reich, and David M. Gordon, eds, *Labor Market Segmentation*. Lexington, Mass.: D. C. Heath and Company.

- Stone, Katherine. 1975. "The Origins of Job Structures in the Steel Industry." In Richard Edwards, Michael Reich, and David M. Gordon, eds, *Labor Market Segmentation*. Lexington, Mass.: D. C. Heath and Company.
- Edwards, Richard. 1979. *Contested Terrain: The Transformation of the Workplace in the Twentieth Century*. New York: Basic Books.
- Moorehouse, H. F. 1978. "The Marxist Theory of the Labour Aristocracy." *Social History* 3:61-82.
- Gordon, David M, Richard Edwards, and Michael Reich. 1982. *Segmented Work, Divided Workers*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Szymanski, Albert. 1983. *Class Structure: A Critical Perspective*, chapters 6-7. New York: Praeger.
- Burawoy, Michael. 1985. *The Politics of Production: Factory Regimes under Capitalism and Socialism*. London: Verso.

### ***Class Formation, Democratic Class Struggle, and Class Compromise***

- \*Przeworski, Adam. 1977. "Proletariat into a Class: The Process of Class Formation from Karl Kautsky's *The Class Struggle* to Recent Controversies." *Politics and Society* 7:343-401.
- \*Offe, Claus and Helmut Wiesenthal. 1980. "Two Logics of Collective Action: Theoretical Notes on Social Class and Organizational Form." *Political Power and Social Theory* 1:67-116.
- Przeworski, Adam. 1985. *Capitalism and Social Democracy*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- \*Burawoy, Michael. 1989. "Marxism without Micro-Foundations." *Socialist Review* 89(2):53-86.
- \*Przeworski, Adam. 1989. "Class, Production and Politics: A Reply to Burawoy." *Socialist Review* 89(2):87-111.
- Lipset, Seymour M. 1960. *Political Man*, chapters 7-8. New York: Anchor Books.
- Hamilton, Richard. 1972. *Class and Politics in the United States*. New York: Wiley.
- Korpi, Walter. 1983. *The Democratic Class Struggle*. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.
- \*Manza, Jeff, Michael Hout, and Clem Brooks. 1995. "Class Voting in Capitalist Democracies since World War II: Dealignment, Realignment, or Trendless Fluctuation?" *Annual Review of Sociology* 21:137-162.

### ***Working-Class Cultures, Solidarity, and Social Reproduction***

- Aronowitz, Stanley. 1974. *False Promises: The Shaping of American Working Class Consciousness*. New York: McGraw Hill.
- Willis, Paul. 1977. *Learning to Labor: How Working Class Kids Get Working Class Jobs*. New York: Columbia University Press.
- \*Burris, Val. 1980. Review of Paul Willis, *Learning to Labour: How Working Class Kids Get Working Class Jobs*. Appears in *Harvard Educational Review*, Vol. 50, No. 4, pp. 523-26
- Burawoy, Michael. 1982. *Manufacturing Consent: Changes in the Labor Process under Monopoly Capitalism*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Fantasia, Rick. 1988. *Cultures of Solidarity: Consciousness, Action, and Contemporary American Workers*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- MacLeod, Jay. 1995. *Ain't No Makin' It: Aspirations and Attainment in a Low-Income Neighborhood*. Boulder, CO: Westview Press.

### ***Working Class Histories***

- Draper, Hal. 1978. *Karl Marx's Theory of Revolution, Volume II: The Politics of Social Classes*, chapters 1-3. New York: Monthly Review Press.
- Thompson, E. P. 1964. *The Making of the English Working Class*. Harmondsworth UK: Penguin Books.
- Braverman, Harry. 1974. *Labor and Monopoly Capital*. New York: Monthly Review Press.
- \*Gutman, Herbert G.. 1973. "Work, Culture, and Society in Industrializing America, 1915-1919." *American Historical Review* 78:551-588.
- Gutman, Herbert G.. 1976. *Work, Culture, and Society in Industrializing America*. New York: Knopf.
- Sombart, Werner. 1976. *Why is There No Socialism in the United States?* White Plains, NY: International Arts and Sciences Press.
- \*Davis, Mike. 1980. "Why the U.S. Working Class is Different." *New Left Review* 123:3-44.
- Davis, Mike. 1986. *Prisoners of the American Dream: Politics and Economy in the History of the United States Working Class*. London: Verso.
- Montgomery, David. 1980. *Workers' Control in America: Studies in the History of Work, Technology, and Labor Struggles*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Lasch, Scott. 1984. *The Militant Worker: Class and Radicalism in France and America*. London: Heineman.
- Brody, David. 1993. *Workers in Industrial America: Essays on the Twentieth Century Struggle*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Calhoun, Craig. 1982. *The Question of Class Struggle: Social Foundations of Popular Radicalism during the Industrial Revolution*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Katznelson, Ira and Aristide R. Zolberg, eds. 1986. *Working-Class Formation: Nineteenth-Century Patterns in Western Europe and the United States*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- Biernacki, Richard. 1997. *The Fabrication of Labor: Germany and Britain, 1640-1914*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Arnesen, Eric, Julie Greene, and Bruce Laurie, eds. 1998. *Labor Histories: Class Politics, and the Working Class*. Champaign, IL: University of Illinois Press.
- Silver, Beverly. 2003. *Forces of Labor: Workers' Movements and Globalization since 1870*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

### **Week 7 (February 16). The New Middle Class**

#### ***The Origins and Development of the New Middle Class***

- \*Burris, Val. 1986. "The Discovery of the New Middle Class." *Theory and Society* 153: 317-349. Reprinted in A. J. Vidich, ed., *The New Middle Classes*, pp. 15-54. London: Macmillan Press, 1995.
- Draper, Hal. 1978. *Karl Marx's Theory of Revolution, Volume II: The Politics of Social Classes*, chapters 16-18, and Appendix F. New York: Monthly Review Press.
- Mills, C. Wright. 1951. *White Collar*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Lockwood, David. 1958. *The Blackcoated Worker*. London: Allen & Unwin.
- Nicolaus, Martin. 1970. "Proletariat and Middle Class in Marx." In J. Weinstein and D. Eakins, eds., *For a New America*. New York: Random House.



- Burris, Val. 1980. "Capital Accumulation and the Rise of the New Middle Class." *Review of Radical Political Economics* 12:17-34.
- Burris, Val. 1980. "Class Formation and Transformation in Advanced Capitalist Societies: A Comparative Analysis." *Social Praxis* 7:147-179.
- Vidich, Arthur J., ed. 1995. *The New Middle Classes*. London: Macmillan Press.
- Larson, Magali Sarfatti. 1977. *The Rise of Professionalism*. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Derber, Charles 1982. *Professionals as Workers: Mental Labor in Advanced Capitalism*. Boston: G. K. Hall & Co.

### ***Competing Theories of the New Middle Class***

- \*Ehrenreich, Barbara and John Ehrenreich. 1977. "The Professional-Managerial Class." *Radical America* 11(2):7-32. Reprinted in Pat Walker ed., *Between Labor and Capital*, pp. 5-48. Boston: South End Press, 1979.
- \*Noble, David 1979. "The PMC: A Critique." In P. Walker ed., *Between Labor and Capital*, pp. 121-142. Boston: South End Press.
- \*Burris, Val. 1987. "Class Structure and Political Ideology." *Insurgent Sociologist* 14(2):5-46. Reprinted in Rhonda F. Levine (ed.), *Enriching the Sociological Imagination*, pp. 139-64. Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2004.
- Wright, Erik Olin. 1980. "Varieties of Marxist Conceptions of Class Structure." *Politics and Society* 93:323-370.
- Hunt, Alan. 1977. *Class and Class Structure*. London: Lawrence & Wishart.
- Carter, Bob. 1985. *Capitalism, Class Conflict and the New Middle Class*. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.
- Ross, George. 1978. "Marxism and the New Middle Class: French Critiques." *Theory and Society* 5.
- Bruce-Briggs, B., ed. 1979. *The New Class?* New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction.
- Konrad, Gyorgy and Ivan Szelenyi. 1979. *The Intellectuals on the Road to Class Power*. New York: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich.
- Szelenyi, Ivan and Bill Martin. 1988. "The Three Waves of New Class Theory." *Theory and Society* 17:645-667.
- McAdams, John. 1987. "Testing the Theory of the New Class." *Sociological Quarterly* 28:23-49.

### ***The Politics of the New Middle Class***

- \*Brooks, Clem and Jeff Manza. 1997. "The Social and Ideological Bases of Middle Class Political Realignment in the United States, 1972-1992." *American Journal of Sociology* 62:191-208.
- Brint, Steven. 1984. "New Class and Cumulative Trend Explanations of the Liberal Political Attitudes of Professionals." *American Journal of Sociology* 90:30-71.
- Brint, Steven. 1985. "The Political Attitudes of Professionals." *Annual Review of Sociology* 11:389-414.
- Oppenheimer, Martin. 1985. *White Collar Politics*. New York: Monthly Review Press.
- Ehrenreich, Barbara. 1989. *Fear of Falling: The Inner Life of the Middle Class*. New York: Pantheon.
- Gerteis, Joseph. 1998. "Political Alignment and the American Middle Class, 1974-1994." *Sociological Forum* 13:639-666.

Burris, Val. 2008. "From Vietnam to Iraq: Continuity and Change in Between-Group Differences in Support for Military Action." *Social Problems*, Vol. 55:443-79 (especially pp. 466-470 on socioeconomic differences).

## **Week 8 (February 23). The Old Middle Class**

### ***Historical and Comparative Perspectives***

- \*Bechhofer, Frank and Brian Elliott. 1985. "The Petite Bourgeoisie in Late Capitalism." *Annual Review of Sociology* 11:181-207.
- Bechhofer, Frank and Brian Elliott. 1974. "The Petite Bourgeoisie in the Class Structure: The Case of Small Shopkeepers." In F. Parkin, ed., *The Social Analysis of Class Structure*, pp. 103-128. London: Tavistock.
- Bechhofer, Frank and Brian Elliott. 1976. "Persistence and Change: The Petite Bourgeoisie in Industrial Society." *European Journal of Sociology* 17.
- Bechhofer, Frank and Brian Elliott. 1980. *The Petite Bourgeoisie: Comparative Studies of the Uneasy Stratum*. New York: St. Martin's Press.
- Bland, Richard, Brian Elliott, and Frank Bechhofer. 1978. "Social Mobility in the Petite Bourgeoisie." *Acta Sociologica* 21:229-248.
- \*Jones, Trevor. 2007. "Re-embedding the Ethnic Business Agenda." *Work, Employment & Society* 21:439-457.
- Burris, Val. 1980. "Class Formation and Transformation in Advanced Capitalist Societies: A Comparative Analysis." *Social Praxis* 7:147-179.
- Scase, Richard. 1982. "The Petty Bourgeoisie and Modern Capitalism: A Consideration of Recent Theories." In A Giddens and G. Mackenzie, eds., *Social Class and the Division of Labor*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Scase, Richard and Robert Goffee. 1982. *The Entrepreneurial Middle Class*. London: Croom Helm
- Steinmetz, George and Erik Olin Wright. 1989. "The Fall and Rise of the Petty Bourgeoisie." *American Journal of Sociology* 95.
- Mayer, Arno J. 1975. "The Lower Middle Class as a Historical Problem." *Journal of Modern History* 47:409-436.
- Draper, Hal. 1978. *Karl Marx's Theory of Revolution, Volume II: The Politics of Social Classes*, chapters 11-12. New York: Monthly Review Press.

### ***Politics of the Old Middle Class***

- \*Burris, Val. 2001. "Small Business, Status Politics, and the Social Base of New Christian Right Activism." *Critical Sociology*, 27(1):29-55.
- Hamilton, Richard. 1975. *Restraining Myths*. New York: Wiley.
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