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Global Migration

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**The Politics of Migration
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PROGRAM

Monday, November 15

Guide to speakers/workshop leaders can be found at end of the Program.

9:30 am -1:00 pm **REGISTRATION: Library**
BOOK DISPLAY: University Hall

10:30-11:30 am **STUDY ABROAD SESSION: University Hall**
Moderator: Michael Strada, Co-Director, FACDIS
To share information about programs available to students. Session, open to all interested faculty, is especially designed for the FACDIS Study Abroad Advisers on each campus.

11:45-1:15 pm **LUNCH: Governor’s Ballrooms 1-3**
Welcome: Jack Hammersmith, Co-Director, FACDIS
Opening Remarks: Sophia Peterson, FACDIS Founding Director

1:30-3:00 pm **PANEL DISCUSSION: Migration and Globalization**
Room: **University Hall**
Moderator: Jack Hammersmith, Co-Director, FACDIS
Panelists: Johnathan Bascom, Associate Professor of Geography, East Carolina University
Gary P. Freeman, Professor of Government, University of Texas
Victoria Lawson, Professor of Geography, University of Washington
Mireille Rosello, Professor of French, Northwestern University

3:00-3:15 pm **BREAK**

3:15-4:45 pm **FIRST SET OF CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

Topic 1: **THE POLITICS OF MIGRATION: *The Nature and Sources of the Immigration Crisis in the West***
Room: **Chestnut 1**
Consultant: Gary Freeman, Professor of Government, University of Texas
Chairperson: Donley Studlar (Political Science, West Virginia University)
Abstract: This session seeks to describe the context, scale, and character of mass migration in the contemporary era, especially as it affects the rich industrial countries. The principal context is unbalanced economic and demographic growth in a world in which movement and information are freer than ever. We will deal provisionally with the numbers of people moving, their origins and destinations. It will help to distinguish between different types of migration: labor, settlement or family migration, refugees and asylees, and illegal migration. Likewise, it is useful to look at different clusters of receiving states: the settler societies or traditional countries of immigration, the European states with guest worker programs, societies experiencing post-colonial migrations, and the new countries of immigration in southern Europe. Does all this constitute a crisis? Do the pressures of globalization threaten our traditional conceptions of state sovereignty and territorial borders?

3:15-4:45 pm **FIRST SET OF CONCURRENT SESSIONS (cont.)**

Topic 2: **THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF MIGRATION: *Global Restructuring under Neoliberalism and Rural to Urban Migration in Latin America***
Room: **Conference Room 1**
Consultant: Victoria Lawson, Professor of Geography, University of Washington
Chairperson: Ann Oberhauser (Geography, West Virginia University)
Abstract: This session will discuss migration as a neglected factor in understanding globalization and Latin American urbanization. A political-economy approach to analyzing migration will be outlined. Session participants are introduced to concepts of scale as central to building a rich and thorough analysis of migration processes and their impacts. This session will emphasize structural forces impacting the political-economy of migration, such as the lost decade of debt, structural adjustment, and the move to a free trade model of economic growth in the nineties. The social and cultural costs of economic adjustment, in both rural and urban contexts (in relation to migration processes), will also be addressed. The links between economic globalization, changing spatial divisions of labor and migration will be illustrated by examining the commercialization of peasant economies, the rise of informal work, and the rise of new factory workforces in Latin America.

Topic 3: **MIGRATION GEOGRAPHY: *Human Migration and Global Restructuring***
Room: **Chestnut 2**
Consultant: Johnathan Bascom, Associate Professor of Geography, East Carolina University
Chairperson: Joe Manzo (Geography, Concord College)
Abstract: Migration and global restructuring are intertwined in a cause and effect relationship. This overview session explores their relationship by addressing several basic questions. What are the major causes behind the accelerating pace of human migration? Where are the principal destinations for the more than 100 million people on the move? How does the new “migration geography” of the late 20th century compare to the predominant origination and destination sites at its beginning? And why the changes? What proportion of international migrants seek work (labor migrants), a safe haven (refugees), or something else? What are some of the vital ramifications of this new era of migration, both in terms of culture and politics? And what migration trends can we expect to see in the future?

Topic 4: **CULTURE AND MIGRATION: *Cinema and the Internet: (Im)migrants and “Otherness”***
Room: **Conference Room 4**
Consultants: Mireille Rosello, Professor of French, and Jim Ferolo, Interactive Designer, Northwestern University
Chairperson: Harald Menz (Foreign Languages, Bethany College)
Abstract: This session will describe a recently-designed undergraduate lecture course taught with the help of a web-site specifically designed for it

during the preceding quarter. In Winter 2000, the special topic of this course is "(Im)migration and Otherness." Jim Ferolo, Interactive Designer for the Multimedia Learning Center at Northwestern University, will attend to discuss the use of "streaming media and technology" in the context of new pedagogical approaches. Following Jim Ferolo's presentation, Mireille Rosello will explain the implications of "(im)migration" through film, and why immigration is paired with otherness. A reflection on the evolution of this class from one on "France and Cinema" to the current focus will be discussed.

5:00 pm	VIDEO SCREENING: <i>Salut, Cousin! (French with subtitles). Algerian, 1995. 100 min.</i>
Room:	Conference Room 4 Offers an entertaining, insightful look at the Third World expatriates who live in Europe's ghettos. In the poor tenements of Paris, Alilo, just off the plane from Algiers, hooks up with his cousin, Mok, a would be rap star, pathological liar, and his irrepressible guide to the Paris underground scene. Directed by Merzak Allouache.
5:00-6:00 pm	STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING: <i>Conference Room 3</i>
6:00-7:15 pm	SOCIAL HOUR WITH CONSULTANTS (Cash Bar): <i>University Hall</i>
7:15-8:15 pm	BANQUET: University Hall
8:15 pm	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: <i>Geography, Environment and Migration</i> Harm de Blij, John Deaver Drinko Professor of Geography, Marshall University

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

7:00 am	Institutional Representatives Breakfast Meeting: <i>Ward Christopher Room</i>
7:30 am	General Breakfast: University Hall
8:30-10:00 am	SECOND CONCURRENT SESSIONS
Topic 1:	THE POLITICS OF MIGRATION: <i>The Politics of Immigration Policy in the Receiving States</i>
Room:	Chestnut 1
Consultant:	Gary P. Freeman, Professor of Government, University of Texas
Chairperson:	Donley Studlar (Political Science, West Virginia University)
Abstract:	What variation characterizes the responses of liberal states to migration pressures? How can these differences be explained? What is popular opinion about immigration in the democracies, and to what extent does this opinion drive policy? How contentious is immigration, and how far have states gone in an attempt to control it? Have these attempts succeeded? Can liberal states control unwanted migration? Have the western democracies, especially in Europe, created a restrictive fortress against Third World migrants? How serious are the inroads made by extreme right, anti-immigrant parties in western political systems? Are regional regimes such as the European Union or NAFTA likely to be more or less sympathetic to immigration than the individual states that belong to them?
Topic 2	THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF MIGRATION: <i>Local Experiences and Knowledges: Migration and Work in Latin America</i>
Room:	Conference Room 1
Consultant:	Victoria Lawson, Professor of Geography, University of Washington
Chairperson:	Ann Oberhauser (Geography, West Virginia University)
Abstract:	This session builds on the previous one and stresses the importance of local experiences and local knowledges for developing full understandings of migration processes. Ethnographic material and migrant stories will be introduced as important teaching and analytical tools for uncovering previously neglected aspects of migration processes. In particular, the session will examine themes of gender, migration and work (drawing on case study material from Peru and Ecuador); disrupting native cultures and lands, environmental and cultural consequences (drawing on case study material from the Cofan in Ecuador, and Chiapas in Mexico); and, the relations between migration, informality, and poverty (case study material from Ecuador and Mexico). Explicit links between globalization and informal work will be drawn in order to tie themes and scales back together.

Topic 3

Room:

Consultant:

Chairperson:

Abstract:

MIGRATION GEOGRAPHY: *The New Nomads: Refugee Migration*
Chestnut 2
Johnathan Bascom, Associate Professor of Geography, East Carolina University
Joe Manzo (Geography, Concord College)
This session examines forced migration. The first portion focuses on international refugees (13.6 million). It examines the growing magnitude of refugee problems, basic forms of settlement within countries of asylum, and the complexities associated with the process of repatriation. The second half considers internal "refugees": people who are involuntarily displaced, but remain inside their own country (17 million). Legally speaking, such migrants remain under the sovereignty of the state in which they still live, beyond the purview of direct international intervention. The United Nations is, however, beginning to break with its usual reluctance to violate national sovereignty. Based on humanitarian grounds, the UN has now intervened in Lebanon, Iraq, Somalia, Bosnia, and Kosovo. Case study illustrations are drawn primarily from East Africa, the world's "epicenter" of forced displacement, and a region in which the presenter has conducted primary fieldwork during the last ten years.

Topic 4:

Room:

Consultant:

Chairperson:

Abstract:

CULTURE AND MIGRATION: *Applying Theory to a Corpus: Hospitality and Migration*
Conference Room 4
Mireille Rosello, Professor of French, Northwestern University
Harald Menz (Foreign Languages, Bethany College)
This session focuses on a small seminar on "Hospitality and Generosity," in which students were systematically bilingual (or had at least near-native proficiency) and were already theoretically sophisticated. Session will include a review of some of the theories of hospitality used in the reading list and will explain why hospitality is relevant to issues of immigration in the 1990s. A comparison of relative pedagogical and theoretical value will be discussed before examining how course syllabus was put together.

10:00-10:30 am BREAK

10:30 am -12 noon THIRD CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Topic 1:

Room:

Consultant:

Chairperson:

Abstract:

THE POLITICS OF MIGRATION: *How Migration is Changing Western Societies*
Chestnut 1
Gary P. Freeman, Professor of Government, University of Texas
Donley Studlar (Political Science, West Virginia University)
Is the mass migration of the last several decades a good or a bad thing? What is the contribution of migration to economic expansion? Are western economies structurally dependent on cheap migrant labor? Is migration the solution to the 'birth dearth' in Europe, or, the cause of uncontrollable population growth in the USA and Australia? As western

societies admit more diverse populations, will they produce a richer and more innovative multiculturalism, or, narrowly balkanized ethnic communities? What is the best way to incorporate new immigrants, and which countries are doing the best job? Does migration constitute a threat to national security? Is dual nationality something to be accepted or resisted?

Topic 2

Room:

Consultant:

Chairperson:

Abstract:

THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF MIGRATION: *Service Learning and Pedagogical Challenges in Understanding Migration and Immigration*
Conference Room 1
Victoria Lawson, Professor of Geography, University of Washington
Ann Oberhauser (Geography, West Virginia University)
The overall philosophy and goals for a service-learning class will be discussed in this session. In addition, the session will address the considerable potential and pedagogical challenges that service-learning presents. This module will examine both the theoretical and practical aspects of launching a service-learning course dealing with Latin America and migration themes. The major challenge is to integrate meaningfully the student's service-learning experience with the intellectual content of the class. Specific exercises that address this problem, and that explicitly integrate intellectual and experiential work, will be introduced. A major theme in Professor Lawson's service-learning instruction is to break down boundaries between Latin American and North American realities and understandings. Latin American mobility (internal and international migration) is linked with mobility in the U.S. context, in order to identify common processes and issues. An explanation of how service-learning placements in the Seattle area are employed to demystify the lives and migrations of Latin American people. A discussion of the kinds of agencies and placements utilized will follow, and learning exercises on themes, such as "Understanding the Immigrant Experience," and "Demystifying Images of Latin American Places and Peoples," will be demonstrated.

Topic 3:

Room:

Consultant:

Chairperson:

Abstract:

MIGRATION GEOGRAPHY: *In Search of Jobs: Labor Migration*
Chestnut 2
Johnathan Bascom, Associate Professor of Geography, East Carolina University
Joe Manzo (Geography, Concord College)
More than 50 million workers (as well as many more family members) have immigrated in search of employment. Taken together, they remit more than 67 billion dollars of their earnings back to their home country. Guest worker programs are now indispensable to many national economies. Hence, labor migration is the theme of this session. Case studies of primary labor streams in the global economy will include: the "ballast" provided to the Euro-economy by guest workers from developing countries and eastern Europe; the influx of job-seekers into the oil-based economies of the Middle East; and, Hispanic labor migration up the eastern seaboard of the United States.

Topic 4: **CULTURE AND MIGRATION: *Immigrants, Literature and Sociology: Humor in French Inner Cities***

Room: **Conference Room 4**

Consultant: Mireille Rosello, Professor of French, Northwestern University

Chairperson: Harald Menz (Foreign Languages, Bethany College)

Abstract: This last session will use as its starting point an undergraduate seminar designed with French majors in mind, but which attracted students from history and journalism. The course used examples from literature (novels) and sociology, in order to make students think about the similarities between Anglo-Saxon "inner cities" and French "banlieues" or suburbs. In this session, participants will keep in mind the issues of power and agency to sort out the implications of recent postcolonial theories revolving around "hybridity" and "métissage" in terms of relative empowerment and disempowerment.

ADJOURNMENT

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

HARM J. DE BLIJ

Ph.D., Northwestern University

John Deaver Drinko Professor of Geography, Marshall University

One of the nation's foremost geographers, Dr. de Blij holds an appointment as the John Deaver Drinko Professor of Geography at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia. Prior to his appointment to this distinguished Chair, Dr. de Blij was a professor of geography at the University of South Florida, the University of Miami, and Michigan State University, in addition to various distinguished visiting appointments. From 1989-1996, Harm de Blij was the Geography Editor on ABC's "Good Morning America." In 1996, he joined NBC News as Geography Analyst. In his role as television's geographer, he has appeared from locations around the world explaining the geographic background to major events. Dr. de Blij specializes in geopolitical and environmental issues. He has conducted field research in several areas of the world, but most of his work has been in Africa. He has published more than 30 books, including several widely adopted college textbooks in the fields of cultural, physical, and political geography. Other publications include *Earth 88: Geographic Perspectives* (National Geographic Society, 1988), *Nature on the Rampage* (Smithsonian Books, 1994), and *Harm de Blij's Geography Book* (Wiley, 1995). The author of more than 80 articles for professional publications and journals, in 1980 he was elected to the National Geographic Society's Committee for Research and Exploration, and was the founding editor of the Society's scholarly journal, *National Geographic Research*.

WORKSHOP PRESENTERS

JOHNATHAN BASCOM

Ph.D., University of Iowa

Associate Professor of Geography, East Carolina University

Johnathan Bascom's areas of interest include third world immigration, refugee problems, and Africa. Grants from the National Science Foundation, the Fulbright-Hays Program, and the American Philosophical Society have supported his research, especially dealing with refugee issues in Eritrea and the Sudan in Africa. He has lectured on refugee issues at the University of North Carolina, Cornell, and Northwestern as well as universities in London, Oxford, and Glasgow. His first book, *Losing Place: Refugee Populations and Refugee Transformations in East Africa* (Berghahn Press, 1998) appeared in print last January. The recipient of many teaching awards, he is a winner of his university's teaching excellence award (1994), a National Council for Geographic Education's Distinguished Teaching Achievement Award (1996), and was a university finalist for the North Carolina Board of Governors Distinguished Professor for Teaching (1997). Professor Bascom spent the 1997/98 year teaching geography at the University of Asmara in Eritrea, with support from the USAID Democracy Project. Currently he serves as the coordinator of the Undergraduate Program in his department at ECU.

GARY P. FREEMAN

Ph.D., University of Wisconsin, Madison

Professor of Government, University of Texas

Gary Freeman is one of the foremost political science scholars on the topic of migration from the perspective of what are called the "receiving" countries. His research focuses on immigration policies in the U.S., Canada, Australia, and various European countries. A comparative politics specialist, his publications include *Immigrant Labor and Racial Conflict in Industrial Societies: The French and British Experience, 1945-1979* (Princeton University Press, 1979), *Nations of Immigrants: Australia, the United States, and International Migration*, co-edited with James Jupp (Oxford University Press, 1992), and over 35 monographs, journal articles, and book chapters, such as "The Decline of Sovereignty? Politics and Immigration Restriction in Liberal States" in Christian Joppke, (ed.), *Challenge to the Nation-State: Immigration in Western Europe and the United States* (Oxford University Press, 1998). He has served as Visiting Fellow at the Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra, Australia (1995), as Visiting Fellow at the Research School of Social Sciences at the Australian National University in Canberra (1990), and received a fellowship from the German Marshall Fund of the United States (1981-82).

VICTORIA A. LAWSON

Ph.D., The Ohio State University
Professor of Geography, University of Washington

Professor and Chair of the Department of Geography at the University of Washington, Victoria Lawson's major research interests have centered on migration in Latin America, with special emphasis on women's migration. Over 30 journal articles and book chapters include such titles as "Gender Migration and the Organization of Work Under Economic Devolution: Ecuador 1982-1990," with L. Brown and F. Pavri in *International Journal of Population Geography* (1998); "Hierarchical Households and Gendered Migration in Latin America," in *Progress in Human Geography*, 1998, Volume 22; and "Employment Versus Empowerment: A Case Study of Women's Work in Ecuador," with Anne Faulkner in *Journal of Development Studies*, 1991, Volume 27 (4), for which they won the Dudley Seers Memorial Prize in 1992 for one of the best two articles to appear in Volume 27 of this journal. The recipient of various teaching awards, including the University of Washington Distinguished Teacher Award (1996), and a three-time winner of the Undergraduate Association Teaching Award for excellence in undergraduate teaching in the Department of Geography at the University of Washington, she is the author, with Sarah Hilbert, of "Global Change and Urbanization in Latin America," a *Hands On!* publication of the Association of American Geographers' teaching modules on "Human Dimensions of Global Change."

MIREILLE ROSELLO

Ph.D., University of Michigan
Professor of French, Northwestern University

Mireille Rosello, a professor of French and Comparative Literary Studies at Northwestern University, has wide-ranging research and teaching interests, including French and Francophone literatures (especially France and Belgium, Algeria, Senegal and the Caribbean), films and theory; cultural studies, including gender constructions; and postcolonial discourses. Her many publications include *Declining the Stereotype: Ethnicity and Representation in French Cultures* (New England University Press, 1997), *Infiltrating Culture: Power and Identity in Contemporary Women's Writing* (Manchester University Press, 1996), "Immigrant Women and the Ideology of Modernisation" in *Post-Colonial Cultures in France*, (Routledge, 1997), plus more than 30 other books, chapters and articles written in French. In addition to teaching at Northwestern, she has taught at Florida State University, the University of Nottingham, the University of Southampton, the University of Michigan, and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Current research and writing interests deal with "Hospitality and Immigration," and the problems of illegal immigrants, state hospitality, and political discourse. At Northwestern, she has recently re-designed an undergraduate lecture course dealing with immigrants, cinema, and the internet, taught with the help of a website. She will be accompanied in her presentation about the new course by Jim Ferolo, Interactive Designer for the Multimedia Learning Center at Northwestern University.