

History of Psychology Seminar Reading List

HPS2008H (previously, HPS5012H)

Fall 2014

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The required books for this class are also listed on the syllabus. The other readings are journal articles and will be made available. Most of them come from the following three journals, which the UofT library has online.

Journal Abbreviations

AP American Psychologist

HOP History of Psychology

JHBS Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences

I suggest that you do the readings for each week in the order listed.

Week 1 No readings

Week 2

Pickren, Wade & Alexandra Rutherford, "Teaching the History of Psychology: Aims, Approaches, Debates," Oxford Handbooks Online (online publication May, 2014), 1-13.

Krantz, David L., "Reconsidering the History of Psychology's Borders," HOP 4 (2001), 182-194.

Harris, Ben, "What Critical Psychologists Should Know about the History of Psychology," 20-35 in Dennis Fox, Isaac Prilleltensky, & Stephanie Austin, eds., Critical Psychology: An Introduction, 2nd ed., 2009.

Vaughn-Blount, Kelli, et al., "Histories Mysteries Demystified: Becoming a Psychologist-Historian," American Journal of Psychology 122 (2009), 117-129.

Week 3

Leary, David E., "Wundt and After: Psychology's Shifting Relations with the Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, and Philosophy," JHBS 15 (1979), 231-241.

Danziger, Kurt, "Origins and Basic Principles of Wundt's Volkerpsychologie," British Journal of Social Psychology 22 (1983), 303-313.

de Freitas Araujo, Saulo, "Why Did Wundt Abandon His Early Theory of the Unconscious? Towards a New Interpretation of Wundt's Psychological Project," HOP 15 (2012), 33-49.

Green, Christopher, "Scientific Objectivity and E.B. Titchener's Experimental Psychology," Isis 101 (2010), 697-721.

Week 4

Sulloway, Frank J., "Reassessing Freud's Case Histories: The Social Construction of Psychoanalysis," Isis 82 (1991), 245-275.

Mclaughlin, Neil., "Why do Schools of Thought Fail: Neo-Freudianism as a Case Study in the Sociology of Knowledge," JHBS 34 (1998), 113-134.

Tauber, Alfred, "Freud's Social Theory: Modernist and Post-modernist Revisions," History of the Human Sciences 25 (2012), 43-72.

Week 5

Smith, Laurence D., "On Prediction and Control: B. F. Skinner and the Technological Ideal of Science," AP 47 (1992), 216-223.

Rutherford, Alexandra, "Radical Behaviorism and Psychology's Public: B.F. Skinner in the Popular Press, 1934-1990," HOP 3 (2000), 371-395.

Pettit, Michael, "The Problem of Raccoon Intelligence in Behaviorist America," British Journal for the History of Science 43 (2009), 1-31.

Week 6

Nadine Weidman, Constructing Scientific Psychology: Karl Lashley's Mind-Brain Debates, 1999.

Week 7

Herman, Ellen, "The Career of Cold War Psychology," Radical History Review 63 (1995), 52-85.

Rohde, Joy, "The Last Stand of the Psychocultural Cold Warriors: Military Contract Research in Vietnam," JHBS 47 (2011), 232-250.

Rangil, Theresa T., "Finding Patrons for Peace Psychology: The Foundations of the Conflict-Resolution Movement at the University of Michigan, 1951-1971," JHBS 48 (2012), 91-114.

Bimm, Jordan, "Rethinking the Overview Effect," The History of Spaceflight Quarterly 21 (2014), 39-46.

Week 8

Jamie Cohen-Cole, Cold War Politics and the Sciences of Human Nature, 2014.

Week 9

Leahey, Thomas H., "The Mythical Revolutions of American Psychology," AP 47 (1992), 308-318.

Green, Christopher, "Where Did the Word 'Cognitive' Come From Anyway?" Canadian Psychology 37 (1996), 31-39.

Crowther-Heyck, Hunter, "George A. Miller, Language, and Computer Metaphor of Mind," HOP 2 (1999), 37-64.

George A. Miller, "The Cognitive Revolution: A Historical Perspective," Trends in Cognitive Sciences 7 (2003), 141-144.

Week 10

Thomas Teo, The Critique of Psychology from Kant to Postcolonial Theory, 2005.

Week 11

No readings.

Week 12

Ian Hacking, "Making Up People," 222-236 in T. C. Heller, ed., Reconstructing Individualism (1986).

Nicholson, Ian, A. M., "Shocking' Masculinity: Stanley Milgram, 'Obedience to Authority', and the 'Crisis of Masculinity' in Cold War America," Isis 102 (2011), 238-268.

Rutherford, Alexander, et al., "Responsible Opposition, Disruptive Voices: Science, Social Change, and the History of Feminist Psychology," Psychology of Women Quarterly 34 (2010), 460-473.