#### HACETTEPE UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

## SYLLABUS

IKA 604 British Nationality and National Identities 2011-2012 Spring Associate Prof Dr. Huriye Reis Class Hours:Thursday: 13:00-16:45 Seminar Room E-mail:huriye@hacettepe.edu.tr

**Course Description**: Britain is inhabited by four nations and is a multicultural society. Along with diverse ethnic groups, it has peoples of distinct nationalities, which introduces various and complex national identity potentialities and formations. This course explores nationality and national identit(y)ies in Britain through a variety of texts, films and documentaries. This course analyses the definition(s) of nationality and Britain's multiple national identities in a comparative context. It aims to examine the British, the English, the Irish, the Scottish and the Welsh to identify and discuss the constituents of their respective national identities vis a vis nationalism and multiculturalism in Britain as such configurations are represented and claimed in literature and relevant texts and the media.

## **Course Outline**

## Week I&II: Introduction to

• identity, collective identity• Judy Giles and Tim Middleton . *Studying Culture*, Chapter II and III Identity and Representation. Contemporary Britain. British and English, the four nations

**Week III & IV:** Stuart Hall, 'Stereotyping as Signifying Practice' in *Representation: Cultural* 

*Representations and Signifying Practices*. Open University Press, 1997. pp257-268. • Stuart Hall, 'The West and the Rest: Discourse and Power,' in B. Glieben and S.Hall (eds.), *Formations of Modernity*. Cambridge: Polity Press. Pp 275-331.

• Or Taylor, Charles, "The Politics of Recognition" in Multiculturalism : examining the politics of recognition.Princeton University Press Princeton, N.J. 1994. pp 25-73.

**Week V&VI&VII:** Constructions of 'Englishness: 'race', 'ethnicity' and 'national identity' : Theories and interpretations

• David Morley and Kevin Robins, 'Introduction: The National Culture in its New Global Context'

• Krishnan Kumar "Englishness" and English National Identity" in David

Morley and Kevin Robins, eds. (2001) British Cultural Studies: Geography, Nationality, and Identity, Oxford University Press.

- Definitions of national Identity. What is National Identity.? David Miller, Chapter 2, "National Identity"
- Anthony D. Smith, Chapter I, "National and Other Identities" Smith, Chapter 3, "The Rise of Nations". Britishness and British identity Nationality and Cultural Pluralism. The case of Britain? Britain and British Identity . Miller, Chapter 6 "Nationality in Decline?" Crick, "The British and the English"

## Possible further reading:

Robbins, Keith. Great Britain : identities, institutions, and the idea of Britishness. Longman New York 1998

Kymlicka, Will. *Multicultural citizenship : a liberal theory of minority rights* Clarendon Press ;Oxford Univer Oxford :New Yor 1995, chap, 2, 6, pp 10-33, and 107-151.

WeekVIII&IX: Student paper: Development of Irish national identity, the historical

context

Student paper: Irish National Identity and religion

Student paper: Irish National Identity and social class

**Student paper**: Irish national Identity and politics as represented in films, poetry and fiction.

Week X&XI:Student paper: Development of Scottish National Identity, the historical context

Student paper: Scottish national identity and Religion

Student paper: Scottish national identity and Social class

**Student paper**: Scottish national identity and Politics as represented in films, poetry and fiction.

Week XII&XIII: Student paper : Development of Welsh National Identity, the

historical context

Student paper: Welsh national identity and social class

**Student paper**: Welsh national identity and religion as represented in films, poetry and fiction.

Week XIV: A review

**Requirements:** Attendance is obligatory. Class participation is essential. Students are expected to prepare their discussions in writing and present their views orally and clearly. Students are to prepare two papers on their choice of topics in the syllabus, which they will present in the class orally. They are expected to submit their papers for evaluation one week after the presentation. There will be a final exam.

Assessment: Paper I: 25% Paper II. 25% Class participation and contribution. 25 % Final exam: 25%

#### **Further Reading**

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Wintle, Michael J. *Culture and identity in Europe : perceptions of divergence and unity* Avebury Aldershot ;Broo 1996

Du Gay, Paul, Jessica Evans, and Peter Redman, eds, *Identity: A Reader*. London: The Open University/Sage Publications, 2000.

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Shaffer, Brian W., *Reading the novel in English*, 1950-2000 Blackwell Pub. Malden, MA 2006 Anderson, Benedict R. Imagined communities : reflections on the origin and spread of nationalism.Verso London 2006

Doyle, Brian. English and Englishness. London/New York: Routledge, 1989.

- Easthope, Antony. *Englishness and National Culture*. London/New York: Routledge, 1999.
- Fowles, John. "On Being English but Not British". Texas Quarterly 7 (1964): 154–162., in Gervais, David. Literary Englands. Versions of 'Englishness' in Modern Writing. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 1993.
- Gillis, John R., ed. *Commemorations. The Politics of National Identity*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton UP, 1994.
- Lee, A. Robert, ed. *Other Britain, Other British: Contemporary Multicultural Fiction.* London: Pluto, 1995.
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- Lewis, Stephen. "Memorable Images Index". SterlingTimes... (2001). 30 April 2002 < http://www.sterlingtin
- Lucas, John. England and Englishness: Ideas of Nationhood in English Poetry 1688– 1900. London: Hogarth, 1990.
- Mergenthal, Silvia. "Englishness/Englishnesses in Contemporary Fiction". *Unity in Diversity Revisited? British Literature and Culture in the 1990s*. Eds. Barbara Korte & Klaus Peter Müller. Tübingen: Narr, 1998. 51–61.
- *The Cambridge Introduction to Modern British Fiction, 1950–2000* Series: Cambridge Introductions to Literature.

Jeremy Paxman, The English : a portrait of a people. London: Michael Joseph, 1998

John Gabriel, Whitewash: Racialized Politics and the Media. London, Routledge: 1998.

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Paul Gilroy, There Ain't no Black in the Union Jack. Unwin, 1987.

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Perkins, E.T. 'Rethinking Stereotypes,' in M.Barrett et cal (eds.), *Ideology and Cultural Production. Croom Helm, 1988.* 

Balakrishnan, Gopal. Ed. *Mapping the Nation*. Int. by Benedict Anderson. London: Verso, 1996.

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Kidd, Colin. Subverting Scotland's Past: Scottish Whig Historians and The Creation...Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 1993.Pittock, Murray. The Invention of Scotland: The Stuart Myth and the Scottish Identity.New York: Routledge, 1991.

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Jones, Gareth Elwyn. *Modern Wales: A Concise History c. 1485-1979* London: Cambridge, 1984.

# **FILMS**

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*Babymother*\_(1998) Henriques, Julien.UK: Channel Four Films/The Arts Council England/Formation Films

*Bend It Like Beckham*(2002) Chadha, Gurinder.Germany/UK: Kintop Pictures/The Film Council/Filmf<sup>\*</sup>rdenberg Hamburg/BSkyB/ British Screen/The Works/Future Film Financing/Bend It Films/Roc Media/Road Movies Production

Bhaji on the Beach (1991) Chadha, Gurinder UK: Channel Four Films/Umbi Films

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Full Monty, The (1997) Cattaneo, Peter.UK/US: TCF/Redwave

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I'm British But ... (1988) CHADHA, Gurinder.UK: British Film Institute

Looking For Langston\_ (1989) Julien, Isaac.UK: Sankofa Film and Video Collective

*My Beautiful Laundrette*\_(1985) Frears, Stephen.UK: Working Title/Channel Four Films

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Pressure\_(1975) Ove, Horace.UK: British Film Institute

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*Time and Judgement*: A Diary of A 400 Year Exile\_(1988) Shabazz, Menelik.UK: Ceddo Film and Video

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## Novels:

*The Remains of the Day, The Black Album* and *England, England*, Adam Thorpe, *Ulverton* (1992); Graham Swift, *Waterland* (1983), *Ever After* (1992), *Last Orders* (1996); Peter Ackroyd, *English Music* (1992); Barry Unsworth, *Sacred Hunger* (1992).