# **EDP 391: Culture, Child Development, and Education**

Spring 2014 – Unique Course # 11290 Mondays, 1:00 – 4:00, Room #SZB 444

#### **COURSE SYLLABUS**

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## Course Objectives

In this graduate seminar, we will examine theory and research from psychology, anthropology, and sociology on the roles of culture, ethnicity, and race in the development and education of children around the world. The format of the course will be mainly in-depth discussion with occasional brief lectures by the instructor as needed. Topics to be covered include: parenting and family socialization, cognitive development and learning across cultures, schooling and educational policy across the world, culturally-grounded prevention and intervention programs, racism and critical race theory, immigration, acculturation, and culture change.

Each student will investigate a topic of her/his choice during the semester and present the results to the class during the final weeks. Students will be assessed on the following assignments: 1) weekly submission of discussion questions, 2) a final paper (10-12 pages) on the student's chosen topic to include a critical review of the literature and a proposal of a study for future research, 3) a class presentation, and 4) regular participation in class discussions.

DATE	TOPIC
1/15	Introduction to Course: The Cultural and Developmental Perspectives
1/22	Theories of Culture: Psychological Anthropology and Cultural Psychology
1/29	Theories of Child Development, Parenting, and Socialization
2/5	Parenting and Child Development in Africa and the Middle East
2/12	Parenting and Child Development in Asia and the Pacific
2/19	Parenting and Child Development in Europe and Latin America
2/26	Culture change: History, Intergenerational Transmission, and Migration
3/5	Child Development and Education in North America: Perspectives on Power and Diversity
3/12	SPRING BREAK
3/19	Child Development and Education: African Americans
3/26	Child Development and Education: Latino Americans
4/2	Child Development and Education: Asian Americans
4/9	Student Presentations
4/16	Student Presentations
4/23	Student Presentations
4/30	Student Presentations

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

## Weekly Discussion Questions

Each week, students are asked to submit one discussion question per assigned reading for consideration by the class. These may be clarification questions that arose as you read the article/chapter, or reflections of criticisms you have of the authors' work. You may also formulate questions that reflect applications or extensions of ideas from the reading to other domains of knowledge or to other cultures. Each student should post her/his list of questions to Blackboard no later than midnight on Monday, the night before the class meets.

## Presentation and Critical Literature Review

Each student should use this course as an opportunity to delve in depth and breadth into a topic within the broad area of culture, child development, and education. Students will be required to conduct a presentation in class on their chosen topic, and to facilitate a discussion of this topic following the presentation. The last four class meetings will be reserved for these presentations and student-led discussions. In preparation for their discussion, students will be asked to select 2 key readings to share with the class which should be made available at least 2 weeks prior to their presentation date. Finally, students will write a critical review of the literature on their chosen topic with a short proposal for a study that would address a set of research questions of their choice. This paper should be between 10 and 12 pages, and is due on May 2.

# Regular Participation in Class Discussions

Because this is a seminar, our principal activity will be in-depth discussion. It is my goal to provide you with a rich and transformative learning experience, and I have selected readings that will be well worth your time and effort to read. It is therefore imperative that you take the time necessary to read all the readings assigned each week, and that you prepare for discussion by reflecting on the main ideas in those readings and how they may be interrelated.

#### **UNIVERSITY POLICIES**

#### Scholastic Dishonesty

Students who violate University rules on scholastic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary penalties, including the possibility of failure in the course and/or dismissal from the University. Since such dishonesty harms the individual, all students, and the integrity of the University, policies on scholastic dishonesty will be strictly enforced. For further information, please visit the Student Judicial Services web site at www.utexas.edu/dpets/dos/sjs/.

# Students with Disabilities

The University of Texas at Austin provides upon request appropriate academic accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. For more information contact the Office of the Dean of Students, at **471-6259**, **471-4641 TTY**. If you have a disability and would like accommodations to be made, please notify me as soon as possible.

#### WEEKLY READINGS

## January 15:

Introduction to Course: The Cultural and Developmental Perspectives

First class meeting -- no readings.

## January 22:

Theories of Culture: Psychological Anthropology and Cultural Psychology

- \*Kim, H. S., & Sasaki, J. Y. (2014). Cultural Neuroscience: Biology of the Mind in Cultural Contexts. *Annual Review Of Psychology*, 65(1), 487-514. doi:10.1146/annurev-psych-010213-115040
- \*Greenfield, P. M. (2000). Three approaches to the psychology of culture: Where do they come from? Where can they go? *Asian Journal of Social Psychology, 3,* 223-240.
- \*Markus, H. R., & Kitayama, S. (1991). Culture and the self: Implications for cognition, emotion, and motivation. *Psychological Review*, *98*(2), 224-253.
- \*Kagitcibasi, C. (2005). Autonomy and relatedness in cultural context: Implications for self and family. *Journal of Cross Cultural Psychology*, 36(4), 403-422.
- \*Keller, H., Lamm, B., Abels, M., Yovski, R., Borke, J., Jensen, H., Papaligoura, Z., Holub, C., Lo, W., Tomiyama, A. J., Su, Y., Wang, Y., & Chaudhuary, N. (2006). Cultural models, socialization goals, and parenting ethnotheories: A multicultural analysis. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, 37(2), 155-172.

#### OPTIONAL:

\*Oyserman D., Coon, H. M., & Kemmelmeier, M. (2002). Rethinking individualism and collectivism: Evaluation of theoretical assumptions and meta-analysis. *Psychological Bulletin*, *128*(1), 3-72. (SKIM FOR MAIN POINTS)

## January 29:

Theories of Child Development, Parenting, and Socialization

- \*Keller, H. (2013). Attachment and culture. *Journal Of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, 44(2), 175-194
- Rogoff, B. (2003). *The cultural nature of human development, Chapters 1 and 2* (pp. 5-62). New York: Oxford University Press.
- LeVine, R. A. (2000). Studying socialization: The anthropology of educational processes. In R. A. LeVine, *Childhood socialization: Comparative studies of parenting, learning, and educational change* (pp. 1-11). Hong Kong: The University of Hong Kong Press.

- Harkness, C. M., & Super, C. (1999). The environment as culture in developmental research (pp. 3-13). In T. D. Wachs, & S. L. Friedman (Eds.), *Measuring the environment across the life-span*. Washington, DC: APA. (pp. 14-37 are OPTIONAL)
- \*Shikishima, Chizuru, Kai Hiraishi, Shinji Yamagata, Jenae M. Neiderhiser, and Juko Ando. 2013. "Culture moderates the genetic and environmental etiologies of parenting: A cultural behavior genetic approach." *Social Psychological And Personality Science* 4, no. 4: 434-444.
- Bornstein, M. H. (1995). Form and function: Implications for studies of culture and human development. *Culture and Psychology, 1*, 123-137.

## February 5:

## Parenting and Child Development in Africa and the Middle East

- LeVine, R. A., Dixon, S., LeVine, S., Richman, A., Leiderman, P. H., Keefer, C., & Brazelton, B. (1994). *Childcare and culture: Lessons from Africa, Chapter 2* (pp. 22-53). New York: Cambridge University Press.
- \*Nsamenang, A. B., & Lamb, M. E. (1995). The force of beliefs: How parental values of the Nso of Northwest Cameroon shape children's progress toward adult models. *Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology*, 16, 613-627.
- \*Dwairy, M., Achoui, M., Abouserie, R., & Farah, A. (2006). Adolescent-family connectedness among Arabs: A second cross-regional research study. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, 37, 248-261.
- Johnson, M. C. (2000). The view from the *Wuro*: A guide to childrearing for Fulani parents. In *A world of babies: Imagined childcare guides for seven societies* (pp. 171-198). Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press.

#### February 12:

## Parenting and Child Development in Asia and the Pacific

- \*Ikupu, A., & Glover, G. (2004). Early childhood care and education in a changing world: Building on village life in Papua New Guinea. *Early Child Development and Care*, 174(4), 415-424.
- \*Cole, P., Tamang, B. L., & Shrestha, S. (2006). Cultural variations in the socialization of young children's anger and shame. *Child Development*, 77, 1237-1251.
- \*Li, J. (2004). Learning as a task or a virtue: U.S. and Chinese preschoolers explain learning. *Developmental Psychology*, 40(4), 595-605.

- \*Kim, U., Park, Y.-S., Kwon, Y.-E., & Koo, J. (2005). Values of children, parent—child relationship, and social change in Korea: Indigenous, cultural, and psychological Analysis. *Applied Psychology: An International Review*, *54*(3), 338-354.
- \*Hayashi, A., Karasawa, M., & Tobin, J. (2009). The Japanese preschool's pedagogy of feeling: Cultural strategies for supporting young children's emotional development. *Ethos*, *37*(1), 32-49.

## February 19:

#### Parenting and Child Development in Europe and Latin America

- \*Carra, C., Lavelli, M., Keller, H., & Kärtner, J. (2013). Parenting infants: Socialization goals and behaviors of Italian mothers and immigrant mothers from West Africa. *Journal Of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, 44(8), 1304-1320.
- \*Suizzo, M.-A. (2004). Mother-child relationships in France: Balancing autonomy and affiliation in everyday interactions. *Ethos*, *32*(3), 293-323.
- \*Mosier, C. E., & Rogoff, B. (2003). Privileged treatment of toddlers: Cultural aspects of individual choice and responsibility. *Developmental Psychology*, 39(6), 1047-1060.
- \*Weiling, E. (2003). Do returns on investment for educating children in Oaxaca de Juárez, Mexico, pay off? A qualitative analysis. *International Journal of Qualitative Studies in Education*, 16(6), 817-834.
- \*Welles-Nystrom, B. (2005). Co-sleeping as a window into Swedish culture: Considerations of gender and health care. *Scandinavian Journal of Caring Science*, 19, 354-360.

## February 26:

## Culture Change: History, Intergenerational Transmission, and Acculturation

- \*Tseng, V., & Yoshikawa, H. (2008). Reconceptualizing acculturation: Ecological processes, historical contexts, and power inequities. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 42(3/4), p355-358.
- \*Gauvain, M., & Munroe, R. L. (2012). Cultural Change, Human Activity, and Cognitive Development. *Human Development (0018716X)*, 55(4), 205-228.
- Berry, J. W. (2003). Conceptual approaches to acculturation. In K. M. Chun, P. B. Organista, & G. Marin (Eds.), *Acculturation: Advances in theory, measurement, and applied research*, (pp. 17-37). Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association.
- \*Nguyen, H. H., Messé, L. A., & Stollack, G. E. (1999). Toward a more complex understanding of acculturation and adjustment: Cultural involvements and psychosocial functioning in Vietnamese youth. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, 30(1), 5-31.

#### OPTIONAL

\*Tomasello, M. (2001). Cultural transmission: A view from chimpanzees and human infants. *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, 32(2), 135-146.

#### March 5:

# Child Development and Education in N. America: Perspectives on Power and Diversity

- \*Garcia Coll, C., Lamberty, G., Jenkins, R., McAdoo, H. P., Crnic, K., Wasik, B. H., & Garcia, H. V. (1996). An integrative model for the study of developmental competencies in minority children. *Child Development*, 67,1891-1914.
- \*Smedley, A., & Smedley, B. D. (2005). Race as biology is fiction, racism as social problem is real: Anthropological and historical perspectives on social construction of race. *American Psychologist*, 1(16-26).
- \*Giroux, H. A. (2003). Racial injustice and disposable youth in the age of zero tolerance. *Qualitative Studies in Education*. *16*(4), 553-565.
- \*Lareau, A. (2000). Social class and the daily lives of children: A study from the United States. *Childhood: A Global Journal of Child Research*, 7(2), 155-171.
- Purcell-Gates, V. (2002). "As soon as she opened her mouth!": Issues of language, literacy, and power. Chapter 8 in L. Delpit & J. K. Dowdy (Eds.), *The Skin that We Speak: Thoughts on Language and Culture in the Classroom* (pp. 122-141). New York: The New Press.

# March 12: SPRING BREAK!

#### March 19:

## Child Development and Education: African Americans

- McAdoo, H. P. (2002). African American parenting. In M. H. Bornstein (Ed.), *Handbook of Parenting. Vol. 4: Social conditions and applied parenting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.* (pp. 47-58). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.
- \*Dixson, A. D., & Rousseau, C. K. (2005). And we are still not saved: Critical race theory in education ten years later. *Race, Ethnicity, and Education, 8*(1), 7-27.
- Bell, D. (1992). The racial preference licensing act, Chapter 3 in *Faces at the bottom of the well: The permanence of racism*, (pp. 47-64). New York: Basic Books. (Chapter 2 is OPTIONAL)
- \*Cokley, K. (2005). Racial(ized) identity, ethnic identity, and Afrocentric values: Conceptual and methodological challenges in understanding African American identity. *Journal of Counseling Psychology*, 52(4), 517-526.

\*Suizzo, M.-A., Robinson, C. R., & Pahlke, E. (2008). African American mothers' socialization beliefs and goals with young children: Themes of struggle, education, and collective independence. *Journal of Family Issues*, 29(3), 287-316.

## **OPTIONAL**

Ladson-Billings, G., & Tate, W. F. (1995). Toward a critical race theory of education. *Teachers College Record*, *97*(1), 47-68.

#### March 26:

#### Child Development and Education: Latino Americans

- \*Crockett, L. J., Brown, J., Russell, S. T., & Shen, Y.-L. (2007). The meaning of good parent-child relationships for Mexican American adolescents. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*, 17(4), 639-668.
- Reese, L., Balzano, S., Gallimore, R., & Goldenberg, C. (1995). The concept of educación: Latino family values and American schooling. *International Journal of Educational Research*, 23, 57-81.
- \*Vargas, M., & Busch-Rossnagel, N. A. (2003). Teaching behaviors and styles of low-income Puerto Rican mothers. *Applied Developmental Science*, 7(4), 229-238.
- \*Glass, J., & Owen, J. (2010) Latino Fathers: The relationship among Machismo, acculturation, ethnic identity, and paternal involvement. *Psychology of Men & Masculinity*, 11(4), 251–261.
- \*Suizzo, M.-A., Jackson, K., Pahlke, E., Marroquin, Y., & Martinez, A. (2012). Pathways to achievement: How low-income Mexican-origin parents promote their children through school. *Family Relations* 61(4), 533–547.

# April 2:

## Child Development and Education: Asian Americans

- \*Lieber, E., Kazuo, N., & Mink, I. T. (2004). Filial piety, modernization, and the challenges of raising children for Chinese immigrants: Quantitative and qualitative evidence. *Ethos*, 32(3), 324-347.
- \*Chao, R. K. (2001) Extending research on the consequences of parenting style for Chinese Americans and European Americans. *Child Development*, 72(6), 1832-1843.
- \*Farver, J., Kim, Y.K, & Lee, Y. (1995). Cultural differences in Korean- and Anglo-American preschoolers' social interaction and play behaviors. *Child Development*, 66, 1088-1099.
- \*Kim, R. Y. (2002). Ethnic differences in academic achievement between Vietnamese and Cambodian children: Cultural and structural explanations. *The Sociological Quarterly*, 43(2), 213-235.