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MDIA 310 Cultural Identity and the Media

Trimester 1 2013

4 March to 3 July 2013

20 Points



TRIMESTER DATES

Teaching dates: 4 March to 7 June 2013

Easter break: 28 March to 3 April 2013

Mid-trimester break: 22 to 28 April 2013

WITHDRAWAL DATES

Information on withdrawals and refunds may be found at

http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/admisenrol/payments/withdrawlsrefunds

NAMES AND CONTACT DETAILS

Staff Email Phone Room Office Hours

Tony Schirato tony.schirato@vuw.ac.nz 463 7445 Room 001, 81 Fairlie Terrace Mon 9-11am

CLASS TIMES AND LOCATIONS

Lectures

Tuesday 2.10-4pm 77FT306

Tutorials

Tutorials begin in WEEK 2. Please register for tutorials via the MDIA 310 site on Blackboard: go to "Tutorials" and then follow the instructions under the "SCubed - Tutorial Enrolment Instructions" link. Please read the instructions carefully. Tutorial rooms will be listed on S-Cubed, Blackboard and on the bulletin board outside the Administration office, 83 Fairlie Terrace.

TEACHING LEARNING SUMMARY

There are eleven (11) lectures and ten (10) tutorials. See schedule for details.

COMMUNICATION OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you are not going to use the Victoria email address set up for you, we strongly encourage you to set a forward from the Victoria email system to the email address you do use.

COURSE PRESCRIPTION

MDIA 310 deals with the relation between identity and culture, particularly as it is played out in and through the field of the Media. More specifically it considers how different cultural fields, with their genres, logics, discourses and technologies, work to circulate, facilitate, naturalise and orient audiences towards different kinds of identity formations, categories and performances. In 2013 this course will specifically deal with the fields of sport (and by extension, the media), and consider the kinds of cultural work sport does, and the functions it takes on, with regard to inflecting and facilitating identity formations.

COURSE CONTENT

In 2013 the course will focus on the relation between identity, media and the culture, logics, values and practices of the field of sport.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Students who pass this course should be able to demonstrate:

- 1. Techniques of scholarship and textual analysis. These literacies will be introduced and dealt with in lectures, workshopped in tutorials, and assessed in all three pieces of assessment.
- 2. An ability to analyse and articulate the relation between everyday practices and media texts and genres. These literacies will be introduced and dealt with in lectures, workshopped in tutorials, and assessed in all three pieces of assessment.

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3. An ability to analyse and articulate the relation between categories of popular culture, most particularly the fields of sport and the media and their related activities, and wider socio-cultural and historical contexts. These literacies will be introduced and dealt with in lectures, workshopped in tutorials, and assessed in all three pieces of assessment.

EXPECTED WORKLOAD

The expected workload for a 20 point course is 200 hours over the trimester or 13 week hours per teaching week.

READINGS

Essential texts:

Schirato T (2007) Understanding Sports Culture, Sage, London

Recommended Reading (available in library):

Appadurai A (ed) (1988) The Social Life of Things

Appadurai A (1996) Modernity at Large

Baker W (1982) Sports in the Western World

Bale J (2001) Sport, Space and the City

Baker J and Cronin M (eds) (2003) Sport and Postcolonialism

Birley D (1995) Land of Sport and Glory

Boyle R and Haynes R (2000) Power Play: Sport, the Media, and Popular Culture

Brailsford D (2001) Sport, Time and Society

Brohm J (1978) Sport, a Prison of Measured Time

Carrington B and McDonald I (eds) (2009) Marxism, Cultural Studies and Sport

Cashmore E (2000) Sports Culture

Coakley J and Dunning E (eds) (2002) Handbook of Sports Studies

Dunning E (ed) (1971) The Sociology of Sport

Elias N and Dunning E (1993) Quest for Excitement

Elias N (2000) The Civilizing Process

Guttmann A (1978) From Ritual to Record

Guttmann A (1986) Sports Spectators

Guttmann A (1991) Women's Sport

Guttmann A (1994) Games and Empire

Hargreaves J (1987) Sport, Power and Culture

Holt R (1989) Sport and the British

Horne J et al (1999) Understanding Sport

Hughson J et al (eds) (2005) The Uses of Sport

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Hughson J (2009) The Making of Sporting Cultures

Huizinga J (1966) Homo Ludens

Maguire J (1999) Global Sport

Mandell R (1984) Sport, a Cultural History

Miller S (2004) Ancient Greek Athletics

Pope S (ed) (1997) The New American Sport History

Riess S (ed) (1997) Major Problems in American Sport History

Rigauer B (1981) Sport and Work

Riordan J (ed) (1978) Sport Under Communism

Roche M (ed) (1988) Sport, Popular Culture and Identity

Spivey N (2004) The Ancient Olympics

Vertinsky P and Bale J (eds) (2004) The Sites of Sport

Vincent T (1994) The Rise and Fall of American Sport

Whannell G (2002) Media Sport Stars

All undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from the Memorial Theatre Foyer from 11 February to 15 March 2013, while postgraduate textbooks and student notes will be available from vicbooks' new store, Ground Floor Easterfield Building, Kelburn Parade. After week two of the trimester all undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from vicbooks, Easterfield Building.

You can order textbooks and student notes online at www.vicbooks.co.nz or can email an order or enquiry to enquiries@vicbooks.co.nz. Books can be couriered to customers or they can be picked up from nominated collection points at each campus. You will be contacted when they are available.

ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS

First Essay: covers material dealt with in weeks 2-4 (inclusive) (Learning Objectives 1-2)

Value: 30% Length: 1500 words

Due 3.00pm Wednesday 10 April

Second Essay: covers material dealt with in weeks 5-6 (inclusive) (Learning Objectives 1-3)

Value: 30% Length: 1500 words

Due 3.00pm Wednesday 15 May

Take Home Assignment: covers material dealt with in weeks 7-10 (inclusive) (Learning Objectives 1-3)

Value: 40% Length: 4 x 750 word essays

Due 3.00pm, Friday 7 June

All work must be submitted through the MDIA Drop Slot at Administration office, 83 Fairlie Terrace.

ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEETS

Assignment cover sheets and extension forms can be found on Blackboard or outside the Administration office: 83 Fairlie Terrace. Remember to fill in your tutor's name.

COLLECTING MARKED ASSIGNMENTS

Your marked assignment will be handed back by your tutor in tutorials or during their office hours. Any uncollected assignments can be picked up from the Programme Administrator after the last day of teaching. Assignments will be held in the Administration office until the end of the following trimester. You need to show your student identification to collect marked assignment from the Administration office.

EXTENSIONS AND PENALTIES

Extensions will be granted only in exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. Issues of workload do not constitute exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. If you require an extension, you must complete an extension request form (available on your course Blackboard site) prior to the assignment due date. This must be accompanied by relevant documentation (e.g. a doctor's certificate) where appropriate. Tutors cannot grant extensions.

Work submitted after the deadline will be penalised by a 2.5 percent deduction from your total mark per work day. Late work also receives only minimal comments from your marker.

MANDATORY COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To gain a pass in this course you must:

- Submit the written work specified for this course, on or by the specified dates (subject to such provisions as are stated for late submission of work)
- Attend seven (7) tutorials.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

A class representative will be elected in the first class, and that person's name and contact details will be available to VUWSA, the Course Coordinator and the class. The class representative provides a communication channel to liaise with the Course Coordinator on behalf of students. You can find out more information on Class Representatives on www.vuwsa.org.nz.

STATEMENT ON LEGIBILITY

You are expected to present work that meets appropriate standards. Work submitted during the course (i. e. work that is internally assessed) should be typed or prepared on a computer. Where handwritten work is required you are expected to write clearly. If this is deemed 'illegible', you will be given a photocopy of

the work and asked to transcribe it to an acceptable standard (preferably typed) within a specified time frame.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PLAGIARISM

Academic integrity means that university staff and students, in their teaching and learning are expected to treat others honestly, fairly and with respect at all times. It is not acceptable to mistreat academic, intellectual or creative work that has been done by other people by representing it as your own original work.

Academic integrity is important because it is the core value on which the University's learning, teaching and research activities are based. Victoria University's reputation for academic integrity adds value to your qualification.

The University defines plagiarism as presenting someone else's work as if it were your own, whether you mean to or not. 'Someone else's work' means anything that is not your own idea. Even if it is presented in your own style, you must acknowledge your sources fully and appropriately. This includes:

- Material from books, journals or any other printed source
- The work of other students or staff
- Information from the internet
- Software programs and other electronic material
- Designs and ideas
- The organisation or structuring of any such material

Find out more about plagiarism, how to avoid it and penalties, on the University's website:

http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/plagiarism

WHERE TO FIND MORE DETAILED INFORMATION

Find key dates, explanations of grades and other useful information at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study.

Find out how academic progress is monitored and how enrolment can be restricted at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/academic-progress. Most statutes and policies are available at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about/policy, except qualification statutes, which are available via the Calendar webpage at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/calendar (See Section C).

Other useful information for students may be found at the website of the Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Academic), at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about-victoria/avcacademic.

COURSE PROGRAMME

Week 1	5 March	Introduction: Culture, Identity and Sport (No tutorial)
		Reading: Understanding Sports Culture (1-4; 134-8).
Week 2	12 March	Theories of Play, Games and Sport
		Readings: Understanding Sports Culture (5-21)
Week 3	19 March	The Field of Sport
		Readings: Understanding Sports Culture (22-60)
Week 4	26 March	Global Sport
		Readings: Understanding Sports Culture (61-80)
Easter Break:	Break: Thursday 28 March to Wednesday 3 April 2013	
Week 5	9 April	Sports Spectatorship
		Readings: Understanding Sports Culture (82-102)
Week 6	16 April	Sport as Spectacle
		Readings: Understanding Sports Culture (103-17)
Mid Trimester Break: Monday 22 to Sunday 28 April 2013		
Week 7	30 April	Sport and the Field of the Media
		Readings: Understanding Sports Culture (118-34)
Week 8	7 May	Media Interactivity and Fantasy Sport
		Readings: Jutel T and Schirato T <i>Media Interactivity and Fantasy Sport</i> ; Davis N and Duncan M <i>Sports Knowledge is Power</i>
Week 9	14 May	Representations of Sport in the Media
		Readings: Rowe D <i>Time and Timelessness in Sport Films</i> ; Baker A <i>Goal! And the Global Sports Film</i>
Week 10	21 May	Sport as Lifestyle
		Readings: Andrews D Contextualizing Suburban Soccer; Eagleton T Football, a
		Dear Friend to Capitalism; Whannel G Winning and Losing Respect
Week 11	28 May	Recap. Take-home assignment given out in lecture
	,	Readings: None
Week 12	4 June	No Lecture. Take-home assignment due Friday 7 June.