Historical Theory
Uppsala University
Fall 2019
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List of seminars with readings

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**Main text:** Anna Green, and Kathleen Troup. *The Houses of History: A Critical Reader in History and Theory* (2nd edition) Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2016. You are advised to buy it if possible. There are at least two copies of the book in the Karin Boye library, on reserve. We have also ordered a copy for the history department, 2nd floor cabinet. It is available in paperback for about 409 kr and as an e-book for about 279 kr.

**MEETINGS AND READINGS**

Please read and think about the readings in advance of the class.

1. **Week 36 Tuesday 2019-09-03** 15:15 - 17:00  Rm. 1-0062  **Empiricism/Historical Causality**

Readings: (50 pages total)

*NB:* The Evans chapter and Hume essay will be sent out as a PDF to everyone registered for the course, OR given out on Monday, September 2 (to be read by the next day). There are also copies available on the course website. As indicated above, you are strongly advised to buy the Green & Troup book.

Green & Troup, *Houses of History*, Ch. 2, pp. 13-25 (“The empiricists”)


Richard J. Evans, *In Defense of History*, chapter 5 “Causation in History,” pp. 111-137 (New York, Norton, 1999), (Note that there is a new edition of this book, but it is missing from our library. So we will stick with the 1997-1999 edition). (PDF on course website)

2. **Week 37 Tuesday 2019-09-10** 15:15 - 17:00  Rm. 2-0076  **Marxism and History/Agency**

Readings: (80 pages total)
Green & Troup, *Houses of History*, Ch. 3, pp. 47-71 (“Marxist Historians”)


Green and Troup, *Houses of History* Ch. 6 (“historical sociology”) pp. 131-143.


3. **Week 37 Friday 2019-09-13**  13:15 – 15:00 Rm. 1:0062 **The Annales**  
   **School/Temporalities**

Readings: (approx. 66 pages total)

Green and Troup, Ch. 5, pp. 118-30 (“The Annales”)

“Transhumance and Nomadism: Two Mediterranean Ways of Life” (Link on course website)

Joshua Rothman, “Are things getting better or worse? Why assessing the state of the world is harder than it sounds…” *The New Yorker Magazine*, July 23, 2019, 10 p. (Link on course website)

Dipesh Chakrabarty, “Anthropocene Time,” *History and Theory* 57, no. 1 (March 1, 2019): 5–32 (available as an e-journal article from UUL)

4. **Week 38 Tuesday 2019-09-17**  15:15 - 17:00 Rm. 1:0062 **Quantitative approaches/Historical demography**

Readings: (56 pages total)

Green & Troup, Ch. 7, pp. 165-75 “Quantitative History”


5. **Week 39 Friday 2019-9-27**  13:15 - 15:00 Rm. 1-0062 **Anthropology and History**

Readings: (69 pages total)

Green & Troup, *Houses of History*, Ch. 8, pp. 198-232, “Anthropology and ethnohistorians,”


6. **Week 40 Tuesday 2019-10-01** 13:15 - 15:00 Rm. 2-0076 *Gender and History*

Readings: (72 pages total)

Green & Troup, *Houses of History*, Ch. 10, pp. 262-88 "Gender and History" and article by Sharon Harley, “For the good of family and race: Gender, work, and domestic roles in the black community, 1880-1930” ALSO READ the article by Lyndal Roper “Oedipus and the Devil” pp. 84-105, which is part of Green & Troup, chapter 4.

Jeanne Boydston, “Gender as a Question of Historical Analysis,” *Gender & History* 20, no. 3 (Nov., 2008): 558–83 (available as an e-journal article from UU)

7. **Week 41 Tuesday 2019-10-08** 13:15 - 15:00 Rm. 1-0062 *The Cultural Turn/Postmodernism*

Readings: (50 pages total)


Michel Foucault, “Panopticism” from *Discipline and Punish: The Birth of the Prison*, reprinted in *Race/Ethnicity: Multidisciplinary Global Contexts* 2, no. 1 (Autumn, 2008), pp. 1-12 (available as an e-journal article from UU)

8. **Week 43 Tuesday 2019-10-22** 13:15 - 15:00 Rm. 1-0062 *Postcolonial and Global Histories*

Readings: (81 pages total)


Ann Laura Stoler, “‘In Cold Blood’: Hierarchies of Credibility and the Politics of Colonial Narratives,” *Representations* 37 (1992): 151–89 (available as an e-journal article from UUL)

9. **Week 44 Tuesday 2019-10-29** 15:15-17:00 Rm. 1-0062 **Conspiracies and Fake History**

Readings: (approx. 60 pages total)

Green & Troup, *Houses of History*, Ch. 9, pp. 233-44, “The question of narrative”

