

Module Code	ECSO5001
Title	Diversity and Difference in a Modern World
Date	27/03/2019
Level	5
Credits	20
Pre-Requisites	None

AIM(S)

- To enable students to understand the nature of individual and group identities and their significance in the context of a diverse and complex global community.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon the successful completion of this module, the student should be able to:

- critically understand the key influences on the social (re)production of individual and group identities and how gender and sexual diversity, class, poverty, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, race and age represented in our society;
- critically reflect upon individual representations of identity in the media and society and the politics of recognition;
- critically engage with theories of difference and how these assist the study of conflict and inequality in society.

INDICATIVE CONTENT

- Theories of cultural and social capital and the (re)production of inequalities in society (Bourdieu) including the formation of sub-cultures.
- Theories of stereotyping, labelling and 'othering' (Spiyvak) and how these relate to social justice.
- The struggle of groups to resist social injustice and the politics of recognition (Taylor).
- An exploration of the way in which the media and social media contribute to perceptions of diversity and difference in contemporary society. Media Bias will also be considered in the context of Diversity and Difference. This is linked to contemporary issues during the lectures.

Study Time Allocation

The study time for the module is divided as follows:

Activity type	Hours	Percentage
Scheduled learning	30	15%
Independent learning	170	85%
Placement learning	0	0%
TOTAL	200	100%

ASSESSMENT

Assessment Component 1

☐ Written exam ☒ Coursework ☐ Practical

Mode of assessment	Volume	Weighting
Essay	2800 words	70%

Assessment Component 2

☐ Written exam ☐ Coursework ☒ Practical

Mode of assessment	Volume	Weighting
Seminar Presentation	12 minutes	30%

Assessment Summary

Activity type	Percentage
Written exam	
Coursework	70%
Practical	30%
TOTAL	100%

READING LIST

Module Code	ECSO5001	
Module Title	Diversity and Difference in a Modern World	
Classification	Reading List entry	Electronic*
Essential	Berger, P. L. & Luckmann, T. (2011) <i>The Social Construction of Reality: A Treatise in the Sociology of Knowledge</i> . London: Penguin.	☐
Essential	Jenkins, R. (2014) <i>Social Identity: Key Ideas</i> . London: Routledge.	☐
Essential	Lawler, S. (2014) <i>Identity: Sociological Perspectives</i> . Cambridge: Polity.	☐
Essential	Payne, G (Ed.) (2013) <i>Social Divisions</i> Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan	☐
Further	Burr, V. (2015) <i>Social Constructionism</i> . London: Routledge.	☐
Further	Cooper, D. (2010) <i>Challenging Diversity: Rethinking Equality and the Value of Difference</i> . Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.	☐

Further	Côté, J. E. & Levine, C. G. (2008) <i>Identity Formation, Agency, and Culture: A Social Psychological Synthesis</i> . Mahwah, New Jersey: Taylor & Francis.	☐
Further	Crompton, R. (2008) <i>Class and Stratification</i> . Oxford: Polity Press.	☐
Further	Del Campo, D. S. & Del Campo, R. L. (2008) <i>Talking Sides: Clashing Views in Childhood and Society</i> . New York: McGrawHill.	☐
Further	Dillon, M. (2014) <i>Introduction to Sociological Theory</i> . London: Wiley-Blackwell.	☐
Further	Du Gay, P., Evans, J. & Redman, P. (2000) <i>Identity: A Reader</i> . London: Sage.	☐
Further	Elliott, A. and du Gay, P. (2009) <i>Identity in Question</i> . London: Sage.	☐
Further	Elliott, A. (2013) <i>Concepts of the Self: Key Concepts</i> . Cambridge: Polity Press.	☐
Further	Hodkinson, P. (2011). <i>Media, culture and society : An introduction</i> . London: SAGE.	☐
Further	Jenkins, R. (2014) <i>Social Identity</i> , London: Routledge.	☐
Further	Lash, S. and Featherstone, M. (2002) <i>Recognition and Difference: Politics, Identity, Multicultural</i> . London: Sage.	☐
Further	Lawler, S. (2013) <i>Identity</i> . Oxford: Polity Press.	☐
Further	Platow, M. J., Kashima, Y. and Foddy, M. (2009) <i>Self and Identity: Personal, Social and Symbolic</i> . New Jersey: Psychology Press.	☐
Further	Webb, Schirato, Danaher, Schirato, Tony, & Danaher, Geoff. (2002). <i>Understanding Bourdieu</i> . London: SAGE.	☐