

## **(Post)modernity and Sociological Theory**

Course code: 300131

Winter semester

### Course Description:

This course examines both the undergoing processes of transformation which have taken place in western societies over the last decades and the idea that we have moved from a state of modernity to one of postmodernity.

### Course outline:

- Giddens Anthony, *The Juggernaut of Modernity*
- Beck Ulrich, *The Risk Society*
- Bell Daniel, *Postindustrial Society*
- Castells Manuel, *Informationalism and the Network Society*
- Baudrillard Jean, *The end of production, Simulacra and Simulation, Hyperreality*
- Jameson Fredric, *Postmodernity or the Cultural Logic of Late Capitalism*
- Harvey David, *From Fordism to Flexible Accumulation, Time-Space Compression*
- Bauman Zygmunt, *Liquid Modernity*
- Latour Bruno, *We have never been modern*

### Required Texts: (to be purchased and read by all students)

Mc Grew Tony, Hall Stuart, Held David (eds) 1992, *Modernity and its Futures: Understanding Modern Societies*, London: Polity Press.

Ritzer George, 2007 seventh edition, *Modern Sociological Theory*, chapter 12, Mc Graw Hill.

Course Evaluation for Erasmus Students: One essay of 3.000-3.500 words based on the above topics and readings, due in the exam period.