

科目名：人文社会科学特別講義 I / Humanities and Social Sciences I (Special lecture)

曜日・講時：前期集中

semester：集中 (6), 単位数：1

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講義コード：LM98823

科目ナンバリング： 使用言語：英語



1. 授業題目：Occultism and Modernity

2. Course Title (授業題目)：Occultism and Modernity

3. 授業の目的と概要 (Course Objectives and Course Description)：

The course will focus on modern forms of esotericism from 19th century Spiritualism and Theosophy to esoteric New Religious Movements such as the modern Witchcraft movement (Wicca), Satanism and the New Age Movement. More specifically, the course will consider how esoteric practitioners responded to major changes in religion and spirituality due to the processes of modernity and secularization. By the end of the course, students will understand the major theoretical approaches to the study of occultism and be familiar with several forms of modern esotericism. Teaching will take place through eight 90-minute seminars and introductory lectures. Lively discussions, while decent and respectful, are encouraged.

4. 学習の到達目標 (Learning Goals)：

After completion of the course, the students are expected to: 1) Be able to account for key theories about and definitions of Western esotericism; 2) Be able to account for the history of Western esotericism from the Nineteenth Century to late modern times; 3) Demonstrate the ability to analyze key aspects of Western esotericism from the Nineteenth Century to late modern times; 4) Critically be able to interpret and evaluate discourses about esotericism from the Nineteenth Century to late modern times

5. 授業の内容・方法と進度予定 (Course Content, Methods, and Course Schedule)：

PART 1 (June 13-June 22)

June 13, 13.00-14:30, Class 1, "Introduction"

Required reading: Hanegraaff, Wouter J., "Esotericism Theorized: The Beginning of the Study of Esotericism" in *Religion: Secret Religion* (Macmillan Reference, 2016), [15 pp].

Suggested readings:

Pasi, Marco: "The Modernity of Occultism: Reflections on Some Crucial Aspects" in Hanegraaff & Pijnenburg (eds.), *Hermes in the Academy* (Amsterdam University Press, 2009), [10 pp].

Pasi, Marco: "Esotericism Emergent: The Beginning of the Study of Esotericism in the Academy" in *Religion: Secret Religion* (Macmillan Reference, 2016), [11 pp].

June 15, 13.00-14:30, Class 2, "Freemasonry, secrecy, and initiation"

Required reading: Bogdan, Henrik & Snoek, Jan, "Freemasonry" in Christopher. Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [15pp].

Suggested Readings:

Bogdan, Henrik: "Esotericism Practiced: Ritual and Performance" in *Religion: Secret Religion* (Macmillan, 2016). [13 pp.]

Bogdan, Henrik: "Freemasonry and Western Esotericism" in Henrik Bogdan & Jan Snoek, *Handbook of Freemasonry* (Brill 2014), [26 pp].

June 20, 13.00-14:30, Class 3, "Spiritualism"

Required reading: Bogdan, Henrik, "Western Esotericism and New Religious Movements" in Lewis & Tøllefsen (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of New Religious Movements* (Oxford University Press, 2016), [12 pp].

Suggested reading:

Gutierrez, Cathy: "Spiritualism" in Glenn Alexander Magee (ed.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Western Mysticism and Esotericism* (Cambridge University Press, 2016), [11 pp].

June 22, 13.00-14:30, Class 4, "Theosophy"

Required reading: Gomes, Michael, "H.P. Blavatsky and Theosophy" in Glenn Alexander Magee (ed.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Western Mysticism and Esotericism* (Cambridge University Press, 2016), [11 pp].

Suggested readings:

Hammer, Olav: "Theosophy" in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [9 pp].

Partridge, Christopher: "Orientalism and the Occult" in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [13 pp].

Tillett, Gregory: "Modern Western Magic and Theosophy" *Aries: Journal for the Study of Western Esotericism* 12:1 (2012), [36 pp].

PART 2 (July 6-18)

July 6, 13.00-14:30, Class 5, "The Occult Revival"

Required reading: McIntosh, Christopher: "Eliphas Lévi" in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [11 pp].

Suggested readings:

Gilbert, Robert A., "The Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn" in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [9 pp].

Asprem, Egil: "The Society for Psychical Research", in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [8 pp].

Johnston, Jay: "Gender and the Occult", in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [10 pp].

July 11, 13.00-14:30, Class 6, "Aleister Crowley and Thelema"

Required reading: Bogdan, Henrik, "Aleister Crowley: A Prophet for the Modern Age" in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [10 pp].

Suggested readings:

Pasi, Marco: "Varieties of Magical Experience: Aleister Crowley's Views on Occult Practice" *Magic, Ritual, and Witchcraft* (2011), [40 pp].

Asprem, Egil: "Magic Naturalized? Negotiating Science and Occult Experience in Aleister Crowley's Scientific Illuminism" *Aries: Journal for the Study of Western Esotericism* 8 (2008) [24 pp]

Hedenborg-White, Manon: "To Him the Winged Secret Flame, To Her the Stooping Starlight: The Social Construction of Gender in Contemporary Ordo Templi Orientis" *The Pomegranate* 15 (2013), [18 pp].

July 13, 13.00-14:30, Class 7, "Witchcraft and Satanism"

Required reading: Clifton, Chas: "Contemporary Paganism", in Glenn Alexander Magee (ed.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Western Mysticism and Esotericism* (Cambridge University Press, 2016), [10 pp].

Suggested readings:

White, Ethan Doyle: "The Creation of 'Traditional Witchcraft': Pagans, Luciferians, and the Quest for Esoteric Legitimacy" *Aries: Journal for the Study of Western Esotericism* 18 (2018) [29 pp].

Petersen, Jesper A.: "Modern Religious Satanism: A Negotiation of Tensions" in Lewis & Tøllefsen (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of New Religious Movements* (Oxford University Press, 2016), [12 pp].

Petersen, Jesper A.: "The Seeds of Satan: Conceptions of Magic in Contemporary Satanism" *Aries: Journal for the Study of Western Esotericism* 12:1 (2012), [34 pp].

July 18, 13.00-14:30, Class 8, New Age and Occulture"

Required reading: Baker, Brian: "The Occult and Science Fiction/Fantasy" in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [14 pp].

Suggested readings:

Bogdan, Henrik: "The Order of the Solar Temple" in James R. Lewis & Jesper Aa. Petersen (eds.), *Controversial New Religions* (OUP, 2014), [14 pp].

Hammer, Olav: "New Age", in Christopher Partridge, *The Occult World* (Routledge, 2015), [9 pp].

Huss, Boaz: "The New Age of Kabbalah" *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies* 6:2 (2007), [15 pp]

Partridge, Christopher: "Occulture and Everyday Enchantment" in Lewis & Tøllefsen (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of New Religious Movements* (Oxford University Press, 2016), [14 pp.].

6. 成績評価方法 (Grading) :

Students are expected to participate in class and complete a final exam, which will include essay questions that cover the readings and discussions. Exam essays will require that you reflect on your position regarding various topics and also that you provide evidence and reasoned argument in support of that position. In these essays, I expect much more than summaries and unsubstantiated opinions.

7. 教科書および参考書 (Materials) :

The required readings will be available online as PDF files.

8. 授業時間外学習 (Out-of-hours learning) :

Students will be expected to read at least one academic article or book chapter per class; those are indicated in as "required readings" in the above class schedule. Students should also, as much as possible, try to finish the "suggested readings."

9. その他 (Others) :

Class Participation: This course requires active participation from all students. The class is organized around discussions of course materials (scholarly articles, etc.). Students are expected to study all materials BEFORE each class session and to participate in the discussion by sharing their reasoned views on the topic.

Honesty: Please pursue rigorous honesty in everything you do, including your work for this class. It will serve you well in life, and in this class as well since we report all cases of suspected academic dishonest to the head of the department.

Use of E-mail for Official Correspondence to Students: E-mail is recognized as an official mode of university correspondence; therefore, you are responsible for reading your e-mail for university and course-related information and announcements. You are responsible to keep the university informed about changes to your e-mail address. You should check your e-mail regularly and frequently—we recommend daily, but at minimum twice a week—to stay current with university-related communications, some of which may be time-critical.

Problems or Criticism: If you don't understand something about the course or if you have specific points of criticism, do not hesitate to get in contact with me directly. If I don't hear about the problems, I have no chance of addressing them.