

Cultural Studies Reading List

This suggested Cultural Studies reading list is a humble resource to CST students and faculty. It is generated within limitations of human time and space and is always open to new conversations. The list provides CST students and faculty access to a range of key concepts, terms, themes, and debates by writers who theorize, teach, practice and challenge each other across different understandings of Cultural Studies. We have reviewed different cultural studies lists in the U.S. and globally as well as syllabi, and this list is probably the most current offering of a CST reading list. We hope the list will be beneficial to both students and faculty who have wished for a basic and useful list of materials to consult for discussion, preparatory coursework and exams, reading lists and dissertation work. The list is meant to complement a student's more specific dissertation topic and research needs. This list is hyperlinked for the convenience of students and faculty. The appendices include a 2017 CST students thematic syllabus sample (Appendix A), a list of Cultural Studies journals (Appendix B), and some Stuart Hall videos from Shields Library (Appendix C). This reading list is also located on the CST website under the heading of Student Resources.

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Appendix A: CST Students Thematic syllabus sample (2017)

Week 1: Classical “Cultural Studies”

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Week 2: Institutionalization and the Academic Machine

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Week 3: Whither Marxism? European Influence on Cultural Studies

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Week 4: The Challenge of Women's & Ethnic Studies

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Week 5: The "Universal" State, Human Rights & Biopolitics

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Week 6: Racialized Colonial States, Imperialism & Policing Bodies: Anti-Blackness & Anti-Indigeneity

Wilderson III, Frank. "Gramsci's Black Marx: Whither the Slave in Civil Society?." *Social Identities* 9.2 (2003): 225-240.

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Hedgehog Review
Historical Journal of Film, Radio and Television
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Inter-Asia Cultural Studies
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International Journal of Cultural Studies
International Journal of Politics, Culture, and Society
Interventions: International Journal of Postcolonial Studies
Journal for Cultural Research
Journal for Early Modern Cultural Studies
Journal of African Cultural Studies
Journal of Consumer Culture
Journal of Intercultural Studies
Journal of Popular Culture
Journal of Popular Film and Television
Media, Culture & Society
Mediations
Memory Studies
New Formations
New German Critique

New Left Review
October
Parallax: a Journal of Metadiscursive Theory and Cultural Practices
Postcolonial Studies
Public Culture
Quarterly Review of Film and Video
Resources for Feminist Research/ Documentation sur la recherche féministe
Review of Education, Pedagogy, Cultural Studies
Social Identities
Social Text
South Atlantic Quarterly
Space and Culture
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