

TI 706 Field-Based Learning

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MODULE RATIONALE

This module is designed to enable students to synthesize both theoretical and practical concerns in bringing critical thinking to issues of environment, society and development in the field. In 2011-2012, the module will culminate in a fieldtrip to Sarajevo in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), where students will be intersecting with the development work of the European Commission, UN agencies, the British Council and various NGOs.

‘Field-Based Learning’ does not only consider how to ‘apply academic critical knowledge in the field’, but also how to ‘learn in the field by experience’, through participation with both practitioners and local populations. The module is also an excellent conceptual space to think through issues of post-development, cultures of dependency, stakeholder challenges, pragmatism and strategic essentialism. In connecting with work on the ground in Sarajevo of UN agencies like the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), a key challenge will involve thinking through the scalar nature of all forms of development, in which initiatives on the ground are framed by broader geopolitical, economic and institutional structures that both enable and hinder development in complex ways.

MODULE AIMS

- to enable student’s abilities to apply critical thinking in field-based contexts by recognising and understanding the scalar nature of development initiatives, and by thinking through the broader geopolitical, economic and institutional structures through which development works.
- to extend the learning environment of students through direct transfer and application of a range of geographical, theoretical and technical approaches to environment-society relations and development work.

- to develop students' competences to undertake and manage self-directed research and learning, work productively in a team context, and present findings professionally and comprehensively in both written and oral forms.
- to encourage the practical skills of doing effective action research in collaboration with development practitioners and local populations on the ground.

MODULE STRUCTURE

Part 1: Semester teaching and seminars:

Week	Date	Session Title
Week 1	12/01/2011	Introduction to Field-Based Learning (KR/JM)
Week 2	19/01/2011	'Doing' Ethical Research (KR/AC)
Week 3	26/01/2011	Civil Society and Social Inclusion (MM/KR/AC)
Week 4	2/02/2011	Collaborative Planning Theory and Practice (WF/KR/AC)
Week 5	9/02/2011	Examining human capability (AC/KR)
Week 6	16/02/2011	Questioning Professionalism (AC/KR)
Week 7	23/02/2011	The Reflective/reflexive practitioner (AC)
Week 8	1/03/2011	Stakeholders and Participatory Development (Brigid Barry: Burren Beo Trust)
Week 9	8/3/2011	Participatory Learning Action (Anne MacFarlane)
Week 10	15/3/2011	Working for the OHR in BiH (Laurent Pech)
Week 11	22/3/2011	Irish Aid (Paul Sherlock)
Week 12	29/3/2011	Fieldtrip Overview (KR/AC/MF)

Part 2: Group fieldwork reading and workshops:

Early in semester 2 (during week 5), you will be allocated a group for fieldwork preparation. There will be 3 groups (2 groups x 5 students, 1 group x 4), and each group will have a group leader who will organize a series of meetings during the semester. Each group will also have 10 designated readings to be explored and analysed in preparation for completing pilot field-based research with a view to creating a *Development Research Proposal* while on fieldwork in Sarajevo. See the attached bibliography for each of the (provisional) 3 sets of readings (and of course there will be overlap between the different literatures; we encourage you to consult materials as laterally as possible). The 10 readings for each group are geared as much as possible to combine academic critiques with policy/strategy papers of development practitioners (with pairings prompting you to think through the various (dis)connections).

Three Groups:

1. Civil society and social inclusion: (group leader: Kathy Reilly)
2. Environment and Governmentality: (group leader: Alma Clavin)
3. Local Development: (group leader: Maura Farrell)

Each group leader will organize workshop sessions (beginning week 7) throughout the course of the semester (the 10 assigned readings per group will form the basis of discussion). After completing initial pilot research whilst in the field in Sarajevo, each group will submit a 5000-word *Development Research Proposal* and a 1500-word individual *Reflective Fieldwork Journal* to their group leader on their return.

Development Research Proposal:

Each proposal will have to be carefully planned and involve a number of core components, including:

- a. a review of relevant broad and applied literature that informs and contextualises the research proposal;
- b. a clear discussion of the various theoretical and methodological concerns of enacting each research proposal (this may incorporate methodological issues experienced in the field);
- c. a consideration of existing data sources and how to bring the specific critiques we've been working through in class to bear on these sources;
- d. a consideration of data collected during pilot research in Sarajevo in relation to how specific theoretical perspectives become operationalised (or not) in the field.
- e. and, finally, a well-thought data collection framework for generating new evidence to supplement/challenge/expand knowledge bases from which to plan and discursively support new initiatives and policy directions.

PARTICIPATION

ALL students are required to actively participate for each of the 12 weeks. **While the course will not involve *précis* submissions, it will entail your reading each week in preparation for class and also in preparation for your fieldwork in Bosnia.**

ASSESSMENT (10 ECTS)

Continuous assessment (100%):

- 5000-word *Development Research Proposal* (group – 75%)
- 1500-word *Reflective Fieldwork Journal* (individual – 25%)

BiH FILM EVENING

As part of your preparation for going to Sarajevo, there will be a number of film evenings. Times and dates of these films will be confirmed during semester 2. We will show a range of documentaries and films on both the recent wars in the Balkans and efforts to rebuild society across BiH.

DATABASES AND E-RESOURCES

Bosnia and Herzegovina Mine Action Centre:

www.bhmac.org/en

Bosnian Institute, Directory of Institutions, Organisations and NGOs:

<http://www.bosnia.org.uk/bosnia/viewMetatype.cfm?metatypeID=22>

British Council, BiH:

www.britishcouncil.org/bih

British Overseas NGOs for Development (Bond):

<http://www.bond.org.uk>

Center for Economic and Policy Research, Eastern Europe:

www.cepr.org/pubs/Bulletin/meets/1166.htm

Delegation of the EU to BiH:

www.delbih.ec.europa.eu

Environment and Security Initiative:

<http://www.envsec.org>

EU Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance:

europa.eu/legislation_summaries/enlargement/ongoing_enlargement/e50020_en.htm

EU-OECD Sigma Programme:

www.sigmaweb.org

European Association of Development Institutes:

www.eadi.org

European Centre for Development Policy Management:
www.ecdpm.org

Global Focus Aotearoa:
www.globalfocus.org.nz/index.html

Global Policy Forum:
<http://www.globalpolicy.org>

Institute of Development Studies:
www.ids.ac.uk

International Monetary Fund, BiH:
<http://www.imf.org/external/country/bih>

International Organization for Migration, BiH:
<http://www.iom.ba>

Irish Aid, Western Balkans:
http://www.irishaid.gov.ie/western_balkans.asp

Irish Department of Foreign Affairs, Conflict Resolution Unit:
www.dfa.ie/home/index.aspx?id=82471

Irish Non-Governmental Development Organisations Association (Dóchas):
<http://www.dochas.ie>

Office of the High Representative, BiH:
<http://www.ohr.int>

Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe:
<http://www.osce.org>

UK Department for International Development:
<http://www.dfid.gov.uk>

United Nations, BiH:
<http://www.un.ba>

United Nations Children's Fund, BiH:
<http://www.unicef.org/bih>

United Nations Development Fund for Women, Eastern Europe:
http://www.unifem.org/worldwide/europe_cis

United Nations Development Programme, BiH:

<http://www.undp.ba>

United Nations Development Programme, BiH – Gender Programme:

<http://www.gender.undp.ba>

United Nations Development Programme – Energy and Environment Network:

<http://www.energyandenvironment.undp.org>

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization:

<http://whc.unesco.org/en/statesparties/ba>

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe:

<http://www.unece.org>

United Nations Environment Programme:

<http://www.unep.org>

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, BiH:

<http://www.unhcr.ba>

United Nations Industrial Development Organization:

<http://www.unido.org>

United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia:

<http://www.icty.org>

United Nations International Labour Organization, BiH:

<http://www.ilo.org/public/english/region/eurpro/budapest/info/country/bih.htm>

United Nations Peacekeeping Operations, BiH:

http://www.un.org/Depts/DPKO/Missions/unmibh_p.htm

United Nations Population Fund, BiH:

<http://www.un.ba/index.aspx?PID=24&RID=8>

United Nations Volunteers, BiH:

<http://www.unv.org/what-we-do/countries/bosnia-and-herzegovina.html>

United States Agency for International Development, BiH:

http://www.usaid.gov/locations/europe_eurasia/countries/ba/index.html

Wilson Center for East European Studies:

http://www.wilsoncenter.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=topics.home&topic_id=1422

World Bank (for BiH, go to ‘countries’):

<http://www.worldbank.org>

World Health Organization, BiH:
<http://www.who.int/countries/bih/en>

Žene Ženama, Sarajevo:
<http://www.zenezenama.org/eng/index1.html>

Geopolitics, War and Post-Conflict Development in BiH¹

- N. Andjelic (2003) *Bosnia-Herzegovina: The End of a Legacy*. London: Frank Cass
- C. Bildt (1999) *Peace Journey: The Struggle for Peace in Bosnia*. London: George Weidenfeld & Nicholson
- S. Brunn (ed.) (2004) *11 September and its Aftermath: The Geopolitics of Terror*. London: Frank Cass
- D. Campbell (1998) *National Deconstruction: Violence, Identity and Justice in Bosnia*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press
- D. Chandler (ed.) (2006) *Peace Without Politics? Ten Years of State-Building in Bosnia*. New York: Routledge
- D. Chollet (2005) *The Road to the Dayton Accords: A Study of American Statecraft*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan
- C. Dahlman and G. Ó Tuathail (2005) Broken Bosnia: The Localized Geopolitics of Displacement and Return in Two Bosnian Places. *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* 95(3): 644–662
- C. Dahlman and G. Ó Tuathail (2005) The Legacy of Ethnic Cleansing: The International Community and the Returns Process in Post-Dayton Bosnia-Herzegovina. *Political Geography* 24(5): 569-599
- C. Dahlman and G. Ó Tuathail (2006) Bosnia's Third Geopolitical Space: Nationalist Separatism and International Supervision in Bosnia's Brcko District. *Geopolitics* 11(4): 651-675
- S. Dalby (2002) Global Environment/Local Culture: Metageographies of Post-Colonial Resistance. *Studies in Political Economy* 67: 55-82
- S. Dalby (2003) Geopolitical Identities: Arctic Ecology and Global Consumption. *Geopolitics* 8(1): 181-202
- S. Dalby (2007) Anthropocene Geopolitics: Globalization, Empire, Environment and Critique. *Geography Compass* 1(1): 103-118
- S. Dalby (2009) Fateful Mappings: Geography, Environment and Insecurity: Response to Kaplan's 'The Revenge of Geography'. *Human Geography* 2(2): 40-43

¹ This list is subject to revision and the continuous addition of resources for student use.

- S. Dalby (2009) *Security and Environmental Change*. Cambridge: Polity Press
- T. Donais (2005) *The Political Economy of Peacebuilding in Post-Dayton Bosnia*. New York: Routledge
- C. Flint (ed.) (2005) *The Geography of War and Peace*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- M. Duffield (2007) *Development, Security and Unending War; Governing the World of Peoples*. Cambridge: Polity Press.
- P. Getimis, H. Heinelt, G. Kafkalas, R. Smith and E. Swyngedouw (eds) (2002) *Participatory Governance in Multi-Level Context: Concepts and Experience*. Opladen: Leske and Budrich
- J. Gow (1997) *Triumph of the Lack of Will: International Diplomacy and the Yugoslav War*. New York: Columbia
- N. Heynen, J. McCarthy, S. Prudham and P. Robbins (eds) (2007) *Neoliberal Environments: False Promises and Unnatural Consequences*. New York: Routledge
- J. Hyndman (1998) Managing Difference: Gender and Culture in Humanitarian Emergencies. *Gender, Place, and Culture* 5(3): 241-260
- M. Innes (ed.) (2006) *Bosnian Security after Dayton: New Perspectives*. New York: Routledge
- A. Jeffrey (2007) The Geopolitical Framing of Localized Struggles: NGOs in Bosnia and Herzegovina. *Development and Change* 38(2): 251-274
- G. Kearns (2006) Naturalising Empire: Echoes of Mackinder for the Next American Century? *Geopolitics* 11(1): 74-98
- G. Kearns (2009) *Geopolitics and Empire*. Oxford: Oxford University Press
- M.T. Klare (2002) *Resource Wars: The New Landscape of Global Conflict*. New York: Owl Books
- N. Klein (2007) *The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism*. New York: Metropolitan
- P. Le Billon and C. Alejandro (2009) Oil Prices, Scarcity and Geographies of War. *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* 99(5): 836-844
- T.W. Luke (2008) The Politics of True Convenience or Inconvenient Truth: Struggles Over How to Sustain Capitalism, Democracy, and Ecology in the 21 Century. *Environment and Planning A* 40(8): 1811-1824
- B. Mansfield (2007) Introduction to Special Issue. Privatization: Property and the Remaking of Nature-Society Relations. *Antipode* 39(3): 393-405
- J.H. Momsen (2004) *Gender and Development*. London: Routledge

- T. Murray Li (2007) *The Will to Improve: Governmentality, Development, and the Practice of Politics*. Durham, NC: Duke University Press
- A. Oels (2005) Rendering Climate Change Governable: From Biopower to Advanced Liberal Government? *Journal of Environmental Policy and Planning* 7(3): 185-207
- G. Ó Tuathail (1996) An Anti-Geopolitical Eye? Maggie O’Kane in Bosnia, 1992-94. *Gender, Place and Culture* 3(2): 171-185
- G. Ó Tuathail (1999) A Strategic Sign: The Geopolitical Significance of Bosnia in US Foreign Policy. *Society and Space* 17(5): 515-533
- G. Ó Tuathail (1999) The Ethnic Cleansing of a “Safe Area”: The Fall of Srebrenica and the Ethics of UN-Governmentality. In: J. Proctor and D. Smith (eds) *Geography and Ethics: Journeys in a Moral Terrain*. London: Routledge, pp. 120-131
- G. Ó Tuathail (2002) Theorizing Practical Geopolitical Reasoning: The Case of US Policy towards Bosnia in 1992. *Political Geography* 21(5): 601-628
- G. Ó Tuathail (2005) Embedding Bosnia-Herzegovina in Euro-Atlantic Structures: From Dayton to Brussels. *Eurasian Geography and Economics* 46(1): 51-67
- G. Ó Tuathail (2005) The Frustrations of Geopolitics and the Pleasures of War: *Behind Enemy Lines* and American Geopolitical Culture. *Geopolitics* 10(2): 356-377
- G. Ó Tuathail (2006) Geopolitical Discourse: Paddy Ashdown and the Tenth Anniversary of the Dayton Peace Accords. *Geopolitics* 11(1): 1-18
- G. Ó Tuathail and C. Dahlman (2006) Post-Domicide Bosnia and Herzegovina: Homes, Homelands and One Million Returns. *International Peacekeeping* 13(2): 242-260
- G. Ó Tuathail and C. Dahlman (2006) “The West Bank of the Drina”: Land Allocation and Ethnic Engineering in Republika Srpska. *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* 31(3): 304-322
- G. Ó Tuathail and T.M. Luke (1994) Present at the (Dis)integration: Deterritorialization and Reterritorialization in the New Wor(l)d Order. *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* 84(3): 381-398
- G. Ó Tuathail, J. O’Loughlin and D. Djipa (2006) Bosnia-Herzegovina Ten Years After Dayton: Constitutional Changes and Public Opinion. *Eurasian Geography and Economics* 47(1): 61-75
- R. Peet and M. Watts (2004) *Liberation Ecologies: Environment, Development, Social Movements*. London: Routledge
- S. Prudham (2007) The Fictions of Autonomous Intervention: Accumulation by Dispossession, Commodification and Life Patents in Canada. *Antipode* 39(9): 406-429

S. Prudham (2009) Pimping Climate Change: Richard Branson, Global Warming and the Performance of Green Capitalism. *Environment and Planning A* 41(7): 1594-1613

G. Robinson, S. Engelstoft and A. Pobric (2001) Remaking Sarajevo: Bosnian Nationalism after the Dayton Accord. *Political Geography* 20(8): 957-980

B. Simms (2001) *Unfinest Hour: Britain and the Destruction of Bosnia*. London: Penguin

E. Swyngedouw (2004) *Social Power and the Urbanization of Water: Flows of Power*. Oxford: Oxford University Press

M. Watts (2003) Development and Governmentality. *Singapore Journal of Tropical Geography* 24(1): 6-34

Group 1 Key Readings: Civil Society and Social Inclusion

Pairing 1:

S. Bollens (2006) Urban Planning and Peace Building. *Progress in Planning* 66(2): 67-139

Sarajevo Economic Region Development Agency and European Union Regional Economic Development Project in BiH (2004) *Regional Economic Strategy: Sarajevo Economic Macro Region*. Sarajevo: SERDA and EURED

Pairing 2:

R. Belloni (2001) Civil Society and Peacebuilding in Bosnia and Herzegovina. *Journal of Peace Research* 38(2): 163-180

Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (2002) *Anti-Corruption Measures in South Eastern Europe: Civil Society's Involvement*. Paris: OECD, chap. 3

Pairing 3:

K.D. Willis (2010) Social Collisions. In: S.J. Smith *et al.* (eds) *The Sage Handbook of Social Geographies*. London: Sage, pp. 139-153

J. Gough, A. Eisenschitz and A. McCulloch (2006) *Spaces of Social Exclusion*. London: Routledge, chap. 3

United Nations National Human Development Report (2007) *Social Inclusion in Bosnia and Herzegovina*. New York: UNDP, chap. 1-4

Pairing 4:

P.M. Pickering (2006) Generating Social Capital for Bridging Ethnic Divisions in the Balkans: Case Studies of Two Bosniak Cities. *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 29(1): 79-103

United Nations National Human Development Report (2009) *The Ties that Bind. Social Capital in Bosnia and Herzegovina*. New York: UNDP, chap. 1-2

Pairing 5:

C. Carreras (2008) Sense of Place, Well-Being and Migration Among Young People in Sarajevo. In: J. Eyeles and A. Williams (eds) *Sense of Place, Health and Quality of Life*. Aldershot: Ashgate, pp. 121-134

D. O'Brien (2008) *Mainstreaming Youth into United Nations Programmes in Bosnia and Herzegovina*. Sarajevo: Working Paper of the UNCT in Bosnia and Herzegovina No. 7

Group 2 Key Readings: Environment and Governmentality (TBC)

Pairing 1:

M. Goldman (2001) Constructing an Environmental State: Eco-governmentality and Other Transnational Practices of a Green World Bank. *Social Problems* 48(2): 499-523

UN Economic Commission for Europe Committee on Environmental Policy (2004) *Environmental Performance Reviews: Bosnia and Herzegovina*. New York: United Nations, intro., chap. 3 and chap. 4

Pairing 2:

P. Le Billon (2001) The Political Ecology of War: Natural Resources and Armed Conflicts. *Political Geography* 20(5): 561-584

Environment and Security Initiative (2007) *Environment and Security: Transforming Risks Into Cooperation. The Case of Eastern Europe: Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine*. Report of the ENVSEC Initiative of NATO, REC, OSCE, UNECE, UNDP and UNEP

Pairing 3:

T. Luke (2005) Neither Sustainable nor Development: Reconsidering Sustainability in Development. *Sustainable Development* 13(4): 228-238

World Summit on Sustainable Development (2002) *Assessment of Sustainable Development in Bosnia and Herzegovina*. Report of BiH for the World Summit on Sustainable Development

Pairing 4:

S. Roberts, A. Secor and M. Sparke (2003) Neoliberal Geopolitics. *Antipode* 35(5): 886-897

World Bank (2004) *Bosnia and Herzegovina: Infrastructure and Energy Strategy*. Report of the Infrastructure and Energy Department, Europe and Central Asia Region, World Bank

Pairing 5:

J. Essex (2008) The Neoliberalization of Development: Trade Capacity Building and Security at the US Agency for International Development. *Antipode* 40(2): 229-251

Emerging Markets Group (2004) *Sustainable Power Sector Reform in Emerging Markets – Financial Issues and Options*. Joint Policy Paper of the World Bank and USAID, exec. summary, intro., chap. 2, chap. 6 and chap. 7

Group 3 Key Readings: Local Development (TBC)

Pairing 1:

G. Ó Tuathail and C. Dahlman (2004) The Effort to Reverse Ethnic Cleansing in Bosnia-Herzegovina: The Limits of Returns. *Eurasian Geography and Economics* 45(6): 429-453

J. Hyndman (2003) Preventive, Palliative, or Punitive? Safe Spaces in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Somalia, and Sri Lanka. *Journal of Refugee Studies* 16(2): 167-185

Pairing 2:

R. Thomasson (2007) *To Make Room for Changes – Peace Strategies from Women Organisations in Bosnia and Herzegovina*. Johanneshov, Sweden: Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation

Amnesty International (2009) *‘Whose Justice?’ The Women of Bosnia and Herzegovina are Still Waiting*. London: Amnesty International Publications

Pairing 3:

United States Agency for International Development (2007) *Policy Analysis and Dialogue Organizations, Bosnia And Herzegovina*. Sarajevo: USAID

N. Osmić (2006) *Institutional Infrastructure for SME Development in Bosnia And Herzegovina*. Sarajevo: Policy Development Fellowship Program, Open Society Fund Bosnia and Herzegovina

Pairing 4:

P. Stone (2006) A Dark Tourism Spectrum: Towards a Typology of Death and Macabre Related Tourist Sites, Attractions and Exhibitions. *Tourism* 54(2): 145-160

C. Bell (2009) Sarajevska Zima: A Festival Amid War Debris in Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina. *Space and Culture* 12(1): 136-142

Pairing 5:

I. Ateljevic and S. Doorne (2003) Unpacking the Local: A Cultural Analysis of Tourism Entrepreneurship in Murter, Croatia. *Tourism Geographies* 5(2): 123-150

United States Agency for International Development (2005) *Welcome To The Heart Shaped Land – Bosnia And Herzegovina: Report on the Tourism Promotion Campaign*. Sarajevo: USAID

Supplementary Key Readings²:

Pairing 1:

N. Reilly (2007) Seeking Gender Justice in Post-Conflict Transitions: Towards a Transformative Women's Human Right's Approach. *International Journal of Law in Context* 3(2): 155-177

United Nations Development Fund for Women (2004) *Women, Peace and Security: CEDAW and Security Council Resolution 1325*. New York: UNIFEM

Pairing 2:

M. Walsh (1997) *Post-Conflict Bosnia and Herzegovina: Integrating Women's Special Situation and Gender Perspectives in Skills Training and Employment Promotion Programmes*. Geneva: International Labour Office

United Nations Development Programme (2002) *Gender Approaches in Conflict and Post-Conflict Situations*. New York: UNDP

Pairing 3:

United Nations Development Fund for Women (2005) *Securing the Peace: Guiding the International Community towards Women's Effective Participation throughout Peace Processes*. New York: UNIFEM

Žene Ženama (2007) *Monitoring Implementation of UN SCR 1325 in Bosnia and Herzegovina*. Sarajevo: Udruženje Žene Ženama

Pairing 4:

M.A. Moote (1997) Theory in Practice: Applying Participatory Democracy Theory to Public Land Planning. *Environmental Management* 21(6): 877-899

M. Furmankiewicz, N. Thompson and M. Zielińska (2010) Area-Based Partnerships in Rural Poland: The Post-Accession Experience. *Journal of Rural Studies* 26(1): 52-62

Pairing 5:

J.E. Innes and D.E. Booher (2003) Collaborative Policymaking: Governance Through Dialogue. In: M.A. Hajer and H. Wagenaar (eds) *Deliberative Policy Analysis: Understanding Governance in the Network Society*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 33-59

M. Bateman (2001) *Small Enterprise Development Policy and the Reconstruction of the Yugoslav Successor States: A "Local Developmental State" Policy Model*. Paper Presented at the 4th International Conference on "The Enterprise in Transition", Hvar, Croatia, 24-26 May

² This group of paired readings (with broad topic coverage) may have relevance for all travelling to BiH.