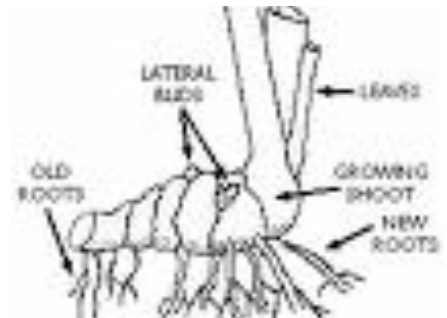


CSIU SPONSORED SEMINAR: COSMOPOLITANISM & GLOBALIZATION:



Seminar Topics:

Political approaches to the classroom that take it as one coordinate of regional national and global culture, a microcosm of heterogeneous identities.

Exploration of the cosmopolitan “homely and unhomely” experience as designating places of identity, community, hospitality, fluidity, and foreignness.

Epistemological reflections on new modes of communication technology, digital media, and their affects upon modes of reading seeing thinking and feeling.

Theoretical formulations of the terms “globalization” & “cosmopolitanism,” - globalization suggesting diminishing effects for consciousness for local economies, and for the earth, of transnational market forces; “cosmopolitan” suggesting the subject, polity, that consciously and to ethical ends negotiates the possibilities of world ubiquitous forms.

Ethical considerations of the ideological economic and institutional forces merging, respectively , on the positions of the contemporary community college student, and teacher, and the ideals imagined as objectives for the pedagogic encounter.

Cosmopolitanism 2.0, 2009-2010 continues the work of the 2008-2009 seminar: we consider an interdisciplinary array of reflections on the cultural terrain of the 21st Century and together situate ourselves and our students in the greater flow of our times: our actions include discussions, teaching exchanges, and publications. We recognize the facets of our classrooms in which the global and transnational realities of our epoch are expressed, and aim, in connection with these recognized presences--technological, affective, ideological--to evolve strategies for ever greater refinement in our Bergen Community College pedagogy. Authors Highlights: Seyla Benhabib, Jean-Luc Nancy, Lacan, Bonnie Honig, Brian Massumi, Slavoj Zizek, and Hegel

Seminar Characteristics

- readings and participation in WebCT Seminar website
- stipends
- three meetings/events per semester

All interested faculty welcome

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