

Mellon Faculty Seminar on Work, Labor, and the Professions

Emory University 2019-2020

Michael Elliott and Douglas Hicks, conveners

Tuesday, September 24th - Oxford Campus, Phi Gamma Hall

The Current State

World Bank, *The Changing Nature of Work* (World Development Report 2019)

<https://www.worldbank.org/en/publication/wdr2019>

Marilynne Robinson, "Is Poverty Necessary?" *Harper's*, June 2019

James Shulman, "A Good Job for Humanists." <https://mellon.org/resources/shared-experiences-blog/good-job-humanists>. 6 February 2017

J.M. Olejarz, "Liberal Arts in the Data Age," *Harvard Business Review*, July-August 2017. <https://hbr.org/2017/07/liberal-arts-in-the-data-age>

Timothy Aubrey, "Don't Panic, Liberal Arts Majors: The Tech World Wants You," *New York Times*, 21 Aug. 2017.
<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/08/21/books/review/you-can-do-anything-george-anders-liberal-arts-education.html>

Articles will be available in Box.

Tuesday, October 29th – Atlanta Campus, space TBA

Historical Views and Practices of Work

William Langland, *Piers Plowman*, selections

Max Weber, *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism*

W.E.B. Du Bois, *The Souls of Black Folk*, selections

Monday, December 2nd - Oxford Campus, Phi Gamma Hall

Approaches to Work/Labor in Political Economy

Adam Smith, *The Wealth of Nations* and *Theory of Moral Sentiments*, selections

Karl Marx, *Capital*, selections

John Maynard Keynes, "Economic Possibilities for our Grandchildren"

Martha Nussbaum, *Creating Capabilities*, selections

Tuesday, February 4th - Atlanta Campus, space TBA

Ethics of the Contemporary Workplace

Elizabeth Anderson and respondents, *Private Government*

Douglas A. Hicks, *Religion and the Workplace*, selections

Tuesday, March 3rd - Oxford Campus, Phi Gamma Hall

The Margins of Work

Lawrence Weschler, *Domestic Scenes: The Art of Ramiro Gomez*

Silvia Federici, *Revolution at Point Zero: Housework, Reproduction, and Feminist Struggle*, selections

Studs Terkel, *Working*, selections

Tuesday, April 7th - Atlanta Campus, space TBA

Professional Identities

Eliot Freidson, *Professionalism, the Third Logic: On the Practice of Knowledge*, selections.

William F. May, *Beleaguered Rulers: The Public Obligation of the Professional*

Mike Dent, Ivy Lynn Bourgeault, Jean-Louis Denis, & Ellen Kuhlmann, editors. *The Routledge Companion to the Professions and Professionalism*, selections.

Readings related to Emory, TBD

Mellon Faculty Seminar 2019-20 participants

Sergio Delgado Moya (ECAS, Spanish)

Alicia DeNicola (Oxford, Anthropology)

Tasha Dobbin-Bennett (Oxford, Art History and Studio Art)

Anouar El Younssi (Oxford, Arabic Studies)

Sarah Higinbotham (Oxford, English)

Peter Hoeyng (ECAS, German)

Lynne Huffer (ECAS, Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies)

Dilek Huseyinzdegan (ECAS, Philosophy)

Jim Morey (ECAS, English)

Pablo Palomino (Oxford, Latin American & Caribbean Studies)

Erin Tarver (Oxford, Philosophy)

Yanna Yannakakis (ECAS, History)

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Rose Deighton, GDR, graduate assistant