Advanced Methods of Interpretation in Cultural Sociology

Title	Lecture (soc 575)	Seminar (soc 575a)
Course description	The lecture gives the students an overview over theories, methods and techniques of interpretation important for qualitative social research, particularly in cultural sociology. The first half deals with the fundamentals of interpretation, whereas the second half is devoted to different areas of research and specific methodological instruments.	The seminar accompanies the lecture with additional readings and interpretation exercises. Students should bring empirical material for discussion and interpretation from their own research projects. If there is no student material for a session, we will discuss fundamental texts and case studies instead. After the course, students have to submit an interpretation essay as final paper, either as individual or team work.
Course objectives	Upon successful completion of the course students should have a broad knowledge in methodology and methods of interpretation used in cultural sociology and related fields. Students should be able to deliver sociological interpretations of images and texts, including interviews and media discourses.	Upon successful completion of the seminar students should have a broader knowledge and deeper understanding of methods of interpretation in cultural sociology and related fields. Furthermore, students will have gathered practical experiences with the interpretation of images and texts, which is important with regard to future qualitative research projects (such as the MA thesis).
	Regular attendance and written exam based on the lecture and the obligatory readings.	Registration and attendance of the lecture (soc 775), participation in class and the submission of a successful final paper.
Assessment Methods	 Written test (90%): 94-100 = A, 86-93 = B, 79-85 = C, 70-78 = D, 60-69 = E, 0-59 = F Participation in the lecture, for example trough comments and questions (10%) 	Participation in class (40%) Interpretation essay (60%)
ECTS points	10	5











I	What is Interpretation? (19.2)			
Required Readings	Geertz, Clifford (2006): "Thick Description: Towards an Interpretative Theory of Culture". In: The Interpretation of Cultures. Selected Essays. New York: Basic Books, 3-30.			
	Reed, Isaac (2011): "Knowledge". In: Interpretation and Social Knowledge. On the Use of Theory the Human Sciences. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 15-38.			
Additional Readings				
	Taylor, Charles (1985): "Interpretation and the Philosophy and the Human Sciences. Cambridge:	e Sciences of Man". In: <i>Philosophical Papers 2</i> Cambridge University Press, 15-57.		
	Weber, Max (1978): Economy and Society. Outline of an Interpretative Sociology. Berkele University of California Press, 3-26.			
II	Understanding: Phenomenological Hermeneutics (26.2) / C. Szaló	Seminar (1.3)		
Required Readings	Ricoeur, Paul (2007): "The Task of Hermeneutics". In: From Text to Action. Essays in Hermeneutics II. Evanston: Northwestern University Press, 53-74.	Reed, Isaac (2007): "Why Salem Made Sense. Culture, Gender, and the Puritan Persecution of Witchcraft". In: <i>Cultural Sociology</i> 1(2), 209-234.		
	Soeffner, Hans-Georg (2004): "Social Scientific Hermeneutics". In: Steinke, Ines, Ernst von Kardoff & Uwe Flick (eds.): <i>A Companion to Qualitative Research</i> . London: Sage, 95-100.	Soeffner, Hans-Georg (1997): "Style and Stylization. Punk, or the Superelevation of Everyday Life". In: <i>The Order of Rituals. The Interpretation of Everyday Life</i> . New Brunswick; London: Transaction Publishers, 49-69.		
Additional Readings	Palmer, Richard E. 1973. "Phenomenology as Fo Interpretation." <i>Cultural Hermeneutics</i> 1 (1):207-	undation for a Post-Modern Philosophy of Literary –223.		
	Dilthey, Wilhelm (1990): "The Human Studies". In: Jeffrey C. Alexander & Steven Seidman (eds.): Culture and Society. Contemporary Debates. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 31-38.			
	Gadamer, Hans-Georg (2006): Truth and Method. New York: Continuum.			
	Weber, Max (2001): <i>The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism.</i> London, New York: Routledge Geertz, Clifford (2006): "Deep Play. Notes on the Balinese Cockfight". In: <i>The Interpretation of Cultures. Selected Essays.</i> New York: Basic Books, 412-453.			











Ш	On Methodology (5.3)		
Required Readings	Thornberg, Robert & Kathy Charmaz (2014): "Grounded Theory and Theoretical Coding". In: Fli Uwe (ed.), <i>The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Data Analysis</i> . London; Thousand Oaks: Sage, 1 169.		
	Timmermans, Stefan & Iddo Tavory (2012): "Theory Construction in Qualitative Research from Grounded Theory to Abductive Analysis". In: <i>Sociological Theory</i> 30(3), 167-186.		
Additional Readings			
	Peirce, Charles Sanders (1998): "Pragmatism as the Logic of Abduction". In: <i>The Selected Philosophical Writings (1893 - 1913)</i> . Bloomington: Indiana University President Selected Philosophical Writings (1893 - 1913).		
	Weber, Max (1949): "'Objectivity' in Social Sciences and Social Policy". In: <i>The Methodology of Social Sciences</i> . Glencoe: Free Press, 49-112.		
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IV	Critical Hermeneutics (12.3) / C. Szaló	Seminar (15.3)	
Required Readings	Ricoeur, Paul (2007): "Hermeneutics and the Critique of Ideology" In: From Text to Action. Essays in Hermeneutics II. Evanston: Northwestern University Press, 270-307.	Interpretation session with student	
	Reed, Isaac (2011): "Utopia". In: Interpretation and Social Knowledge. On the Use of Theory in the Human Sciences. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 67-88.	material.	
Additional Readings	Habermas, Jürgen (1989): The Structural Transformation of the Public Sphere. An Inquiry into a Category of Bourgeois Society. Cambridge: MIT Press.		
	Ricoeur, Paul (1970): Freud and Philosophy. An Essay on Interpretation. New Haven: Yale University Press, 20-36.		
Ricoeur, Paul (1973): "The Model of the Text. Meaningful Action Considered Literary History 5(1), 91-117.		a Text". In: New	
v	Structuralism and Poststructuralism (19.3)		
Required Readings	Saussure, Ferdinand de (2011): Course in General Linguistics. New York: Columbia 111-122.	University Press,	
	Lévi-Strauss, Claude (1961): <i>Tristes Tropiques</i> . New York: Kriterion, 160-180.		











Additional readings	Lévi-Strauss, Claude (1974): "Structural Analysis in Linguistics and Anthropology". In: <i>Structural Anthropology</i> . New York: Basic Books, 31-51.	
	Frank, Manfred (1989): What is Neostructuralism? Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.	
	Derrida, Jacques (2002): "Structure, Sign, and Play in the Discourse of the Human Sciences". In: Writing and Difference. London; New York: Routledge, 351-370.	
Case Studies	Lévi-Strauss, Claude (1971): <i>The Elementary Structures of Kinship</i> . Boston: Beacon Press. Barthes, Roland (1990): <i>The Fashion System</i> . Berkeley: University of California.	
	Barthes, Roland (1991): Mythologies. New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux.	
	Smith, Philip (1991): "Codes and Conflict. Toward a Theory of War as a Ritual". In: <i>Theory and Society</i> 20(1), 103-138.	

VI	Interpretive Communities (26.3) / C. Szaló	Seminar (29.3)
Required Readings	Fish, Stanley E. (1976). "Interpreting the 'Variorum.'" Critical Inquiry 2 (3):465–85. Reed, Isaac (2011): "Interpretation". In: Interpretation and Social Knowledge. On the Use of Theory in the Human Sciences. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 89-122.	Interpretation session with student material.
Additional Readings	Fish, Stanley E. (1980): <i>Is There a Text in This Class? The Authority of Interpretive Communities</i> . Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 338-355.	

Reading Week

VII	Structural Hermeneutics I (9.4)	Seminar (12.4)
Required Readings	Alexander, Jeffrey C. & Philip Smith (2003): "The Strong Program in Cultural Sociology. Elements of a Structural Hermeneutics". In: <i>The Meanings of Social Life. A Cultural Sociology</i> , Oxford: Oxford University Press, 11-26. Alexander, Jeffrey C. & Philip Smith (1993): "The Discourse of American Civil Society. A New Proposal for Cultural Studies". In: <i>Theory and Society</i> 22(2), 151-207.	Interpretation session with student material.











Additional Readings	Emirbayer, Mustafa (2004): "The Alexander School of Cultural Sociology". In: <i>Thesis Eleven</i> 79(1), 5-15.
	Alexander, Jeffrey C. & Philip Smith (2010): "The Strong Program. Origins, Achievements, Prospects". In: John R. Hall, Laura Grindstaff & Ming-Cheng Lo (eds.): <i>Handbook of Cultural Sociology</i> . London; New York: Routledge, 13-24.
Case Studies	Alexander, Jeffrey C. (1988): "Culture and Political Crisis. 'Watergate' and Durkheimian Sociology". In: Alexander, Jeffrey C. (ed.), <i>Durkheimian Sociology. Cultural Studies</i> . Cambridge University Press, 187-224.
	Alexander, Jeffrey C. (2010): <i>The Performance of Politics. Obama's Victory and the Democratic Struggle for Power.</i> Oxford: Oxford University Press.
	Smith, Philip (2005): Why War? The Cultural Logic of Iraq, the Gulf War, and Suez. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
	Smith, Philip (2008): Punishment and Culture. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
VIII	Structural Hermeneutics II (16.4.)
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Mannheim, Karl (1986): Conservatism. A Contribution to the Sociology of Knowledge. London:

Mann, Stefan (2007): "Understanding Farm Succession by the Objective Hermeneutics Method". In:





IX	Interpretation of Artifacts and Practices (23.4)	Seminar (26.4)	
Required Reading	Gell, Alfred (1998): Art and Agency. An Anthropological Theory. Oxford: Clarendon, 12-50.	Interpretation session with	
	Latour, Bruno (1991): "The Berlin Key or How to Do Words with Things". In: Graves-Brown, Paul (ed.), <i>Matter, Materiality and Modern Culture</i> . London: Routledge, 10-21.	student material.	
Additional Readings	Keane, Webb (2005): "Signs Are not the Garb of Meaning. On the Social Analysis of In: Miller, Daniel (ed.), <i>Materiality</i> . Durham; London: Duke University Press, 182-2	_	
	Bourdieu, Pierre (1990): The Logic of Practice. Stanford: Stanford University Press.		
	Reckwitz, Andreas (2002): "Toward a Theory of Social Practices. A Developme Theorizing". In: <i>European Journal of Social Theory</i> 5(2), 243-265.	ent in Culturalist	
	Reckwitz, Andreas (2002): "The Status of the 'Material' in Theories of Culture: From Structure" to "Artefacts'". In: Journal for the Theory of Social Behaviour 32(2), 195		
Additional	Žižek, Slavoj (2004): "Knee-Deep", London Review of Books, September 2.		
Material Peach, Eric Crassoi (2012): "Žižek on Toilets and the Christchurch Rebuild", Proj http://www.projectfreerange.com/zizek-on-toilets-and-the-christchurch-rebuild/			
Х	Interpretation of Pictures (30.4)	Seminar (3.5)	
Required Reading	Panofsky, Erwin (1955): <i>Meaning in the Visual Arts. Papers in and on Art History.</i> Garden City: Doubleday, 26-54.	Interpretation session in the	
	Bohnsack, Ralf (2010): "The Interpretation of Pictures and the Documentary Method". In: Bohnsack, Ralf et al. (eds.): <i>Qualitative Analysis and Documentary Method in International Educational Research</i> . Opladen: Budrich, 267-309.	Moravian Gallery.	
	Foucault, Michel (1973): "Las Meninas". In: <i>The Order of Things. Archaeology of the Human Sciences</i> . New York: Vintage Books, 3-18.		
Additional Bartmanski, Dominik (2012): "The Word/Image Dualism Revisited. Towal Readings Visual Culture". In: Journal of Sociology.		nic Conception of	
	Emmison, Michael & Philip Smith (2000): Researching the Visual. Images, Obje Interactions in Social and Cultural Inquiry. London: Sage.	ects, Context and	
	Przyborski, Aglaja & Thomas Slunecko (2012): "Learning to Think Iconically in the F Sciences: Iconic Standards of Understanding as a Pivotal Challenge for Method D Integrative Psychological and Behavioral Science 46(1), 39-56.		
Bourdieu, Pierre (2005/1967): "Postface to Erwin Panofsky, Gothic Architecture a In: Holsinger, Bruce, <i>The Premodern Condition. Medievalism and the Making of University of Chicago Press</i> , 221-242.			











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Texts, Narratives, Interviews (7.5)	Seminar (10.5)
Nohl, Arnd-Michael (2010): "Narrative Interview and Documentary Interpretation". In: Bohnsack et al. (eds.): <i>Qualitative Analysis and Documentary Method in International Educational Research</i> . Opladen: Budrich, 195-217. Pugh, Allison J. (2013): "What Good are Interviews for Thinking about Culture? Demystifying Interpretative Analysis". In: <i>American Journal of Cultural Sociology</i> 1(1), 42-68. Smith, Philip (2005): <i>Why War? The Cultural Logic of Iraq, the Gulf War, and Suez</i> . Chicago: Chicago University Press, 18-27.	Interpretation session with student material.
Campbell, Joseph (2004): <i>The Hero of a Thousand Faces</i> . Princeton: Princeton University Preserve Frye, Northrop (2000): <i>Anatomy of Criticism</i> . Four Essays. Princeton; Oxford: Princeton University. Propp, Vladimir (1984): <i>Theory and History of Folklore</i> . Minneapolis: University of Minnesota White, Hayden V. (1973): <i>Metahistory</i> . <i>The Historical Imagination in Nineteenth-Century E</i> Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press.	
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	Smith, Philip (2005): Why War? The Cultural Logic of Iraq, the Gulf War, and Suez. Chicago: Chicago University Press, 18-27.		
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	Propp, Vladimir (1984): Theory and History of Folklore. Minneapolis: University of	Minnesota Press.	
	White, Hayden V. (1973): <i>Metahistory. The Historical Imagination in Nineteenth-Century Euro</i> Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press.		
	Wuthnow, Robert (1988): "Religious Discourse as Public Rhetoric". In: <i>Communica</i> 15(3), 318-338.	tion Research	
Case Studies	Eco, Umberto (1984): The Role of the Reader. Explorations in the Semiotics of Texts. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 144-172.		
	Smith, Philip (2005): Why War? The Cultural Logic of Iraq, the Gulf War, and Suez. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.		
	Swidler, Ann (2005): Talk of Love. How Culture Matters. Chicago: University of Chic	cago Press.	
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	Pugh, Allison J. (2014): "The Divining Rod of Talk. Emotions, Contradictions a Research". In: <i>American Journal of Cultural Sociology</i> 2(1), 159-163.	nd the Limits of	











XII	Discourse Analysis (14.5)		
Required Readings	Laclau, Ernesto (1993): "Discourse". In: Robert E. Goodin (ed.): A Companion to Contempor Political Philosophy, Oxford: Blackwell, 431-437.		
	Fairclough, Norman (1989): "Discourse as Social Practice". In: <i>Language and Power</i> . Harlow; Ne York: Longman, 17-42.		
	Foucault, Michel (1971): "Orders of Discourse". In: Social Science Information 10(2), 7-30.		
Additional Literature Alexander, Jeffrey C. (2006): "Cultural Pragmatics. Social Performance between Rit In: Alexander, Jeffrey C., Bernhard Giesen & Jason L. Mast (eds.): Social Performance between Rit Action, Cultural Pragmatics, and Ritual. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2		. Mast (eds.): Social Performance. Symbolic	
	Dreyfus, Hubert L. & Paul Rabinow (1983): <i>Michel Fouca</i> Chicago: University of Chicago Press.	nult. Beyond Structuralism and Hermeneutics.	
	Keller, Reiner (2011): "The Sociology of Knowledge A Studies 34(1), 43-65.	Approach to Discourse (SKAD)". In: <i>Human</i>	
	Laclau, Ernesto & Chantal Mouffe (2001): Hegemony Democratic Politics. London; New York: Verso.	and Socialist Strategy. Towards a Radical	
	Van Dijk, Teun A. (1993): "Principles of Critical Discourse Analysis". In: <i>Discourse & Society</i> , 4(2), 249-283. Willig, Carla (2014): "Discourses and Discourse Analysis". In: Flick, Uwe (ed.), <i>The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Data Analysis</i> . London; Thousand Oaks: Sage, 341-353.		
Case	Fairclough, Norman (2000): New Labour, New Language. London; New York: Routledge.		
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	Lakoff, George (2006): <i>Moral Politics. How Liberals and Conservatives Think.</i> Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Wagner-Pacifici, Robin Erica (1986): <i>The Moro Morality Play. Terrorism as Social Drama.</i> Chicago University of Chicago Press.		
	Alexander, Jeffrey C. (2010): <i>The Performance of Politics. Obama's Victory and the Democratic Struggle for Power.</i> Oxford: Oxford University Press.		
	Smith, Philip & Nicolas Howe (2015): <i>Climate Change as Social Drama</i> . Cambridge; New York: Cambridge University Press.		
XIII	Final Exam (21.5)		
	5 out of 10 questions regarding theories and methods discussed in the lecture or the required readings	Interpretative essay of 8-10 pages (more for team work)	
	1 out of 3 interpretative exercises	Deadline: June 30, 2018	











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Alexander, Jeffrey C., Bernhard Giesen & Jason L. Mast (2006, eds.): *Social Performance. Symbolic Action, Cultural Pragmatics, and Ritual.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Alexander, Jeffrey C., Dominik Bartmanski & Bernhard Giesen (2012, eds.): *Iconic Power. Materiality and Meaning in Social Life.* New York; Houndmills: Palgrave.

Andersen, Niels Åkerstrøm (2003): Discursive Analytical Strategies. Understanding Foucault, Koselleck, Laclau, Luhmann. Bristol: The Policy Press.

Back, Les, Andy Bennett, Laura Desfor Edles, Margaret Gibson, David Inglis, Ronald Jacobs & Ian Woodward (2012): *Cultural Sociology. An Introduction.* Malden; Oxford: Wiley Blackwell.

Bohnsack, Ralf, Nicolle Pfaff & Wivian Weller (2010, eds.): *Qualitative Analysis and Documentary Method in International Educational Research*. Opladen: Budrich.

Edles, Laura Desfor (2002): Cultural Sociology in Practice. Malden; Oxford: Blackwell.

Fairclough, Norman (2003): Analyzing Discourse. Textual Analysis for Social Research. London; New York: Routledge.

Fairclough, Norman & Isabela Fairclough (2012): *Political Discourse Analysis. A Method for Advanced Students*. London; New York: Routledge.

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Flick, Uwe (2014, ed.): The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Data Analysis. London; Thousand Oaks: Sage.

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