be the unit of class identification or should they be identified as members of class positions that are defined by family? Is marriage a product of the commodification of humans or is it a manifestation of human liberty?

The course will end by some considerations on various theories of justice. What are the differences between liberalist and Marxist theories of justice? Does socialism or capitalism imply the triumph of justice or oppression? What are the differences between Rawls neo-contractarian and Habermas' critical theories of justice?

Course Requirements:
Student's grade for this course is based upon two exams and one paper, each comprising one-third of the total. Papers should be typed, single-spaced, between 5-7 pages. Your paper should have both empirical grounding and theoretical analysis. It is due on the last day of classes, Friday March 10. Exams will be in the form of short essay questions, taken from both readings and lectures.

Texts: Most of the readings are online journal articles. Find them by searching jstor at http://www.jstor.org/search. The rest of the readings are chapters from the book Classes, Power, and Conflict, edited by Giddens and Held (on reserve).
Readings:


Christopher Jencks,


Mon Jan 23 Mobility in America
Readings:


Mon Jan 30 Theories of Power, State and Politics
Readings:


Friday Feb 3 Midterm Exam
Wed Feb 8  Liberalism, Welfare State and Socialism

Readings:
Karl Hinrichs’ review of: The Three Worlds of Welfare Capitalism by Gosta Esping-Andersen
European Sociological Review > Vol. 8, No. 2 (Sep., 1992), pp. 200-202


Mon Feb 13  Social Psychology of Class and Class Consciousness

Readings:


Mon Feb 20  Capitalism, Gender and Family

Readings:


Jane Humphries, *Class Struggle and the Persistence of the Working Class Family* in Anthony Giddens and David Held (eds), *Classes, Power, and Conflict*. 470-490. (Reserve)

**Mon Feb 27**  
**Ethnic Inequality**  
**Readings:**  


**Mon Mar 6**  
**Justice and America**  
**Readings:**  
