

## Course Schedule and reading – Social Stratification 2019

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### Course Schedule

Date	Time		Topic	Lecturer
March 26	10-12	F487	Introduction	Charlotta Magnusson
March 28	10-12	F3154	Social mobility and educational inequality	Jan O Jonsson
April 2	13-15	F487	Skills and social class	Michael Tåhlin
April 4	13-15	F487	Family and stratification	Peter Fallesen
April 9	13-15	F397	Ethnicity	Moa Bursell
April 11	10-12	E307	Gender stratification in the labour market	Charlotta Magnusson
April 16	10-12	F320	Health and stratification	Olof Östergren
April 18	10-12	F487	Intergenerational transmission of income	Carina Mood

### Readings

Below follows a list of recommended readings to each lecture. The students are encouraged depending on own research interest to also read other chapters in David B. Grusky (ed.) *Social Stratification: Class, Race, and Gender in Sociological Perspective*, Westview Press (4<sup>th</sup> Edition).

#### **March 26, Introduction (Charlotta Magnusson)**

*Chapters in Social stratification*

1. David B. Grusky & Kate Weisshaar "What Do We Know About Inequality?"
2. Kingsley Davis & Wilbert E. Moore "Some Principles of Stratification"
14. Karl Marx "Alienation and Social Classes", "Classes in Capitalism and Pre-Capitalism" and "Ideology and Class"
18. Max Weber "Class, Status, Party"
24. Donald J. Treiman "Occupational Prestige in Comparative Perspective"
114. Pierre Bourdieu "Distinction: A Social Critique of the Judgment of Taste"

## **March 28, Social mobility and educational inequality (Jan O Jonsson)**

### *Chapters in Social stratification*

53. Robert Erikson & John H. Goldthorpe "Trends in Class Mobility: The Post-War European Experience"
54. Richard Breen "Social Mobility in Europe"
55. Jan O. Jonsson, David B. Grusky, Matthew Di Carlo, & Reinhard Pollak "It's a Decent Bet That Our Children Will Be Professors Too"
62. Richard Breen, Ruud Luijkx, Walter Müller, and Reinhard Pollack "Nonpersistent Inequality in Educational Attainment"
63. Michelle Jackson "Determined to Succeed"

### *Journal articles and other texts*

Erikson & Jonsson 1996, Introduction to Can Education be Equalized? (Available via mondo under resources)

## **April 2, Skills and social class (Michael Tåhlin)**

### *Chapters in Social stratification*

16. Erik Olin Wright "A General Framework for the Analysis of Class Structure"

### *Journal articles and other texts*

- le Grand, Carl and Michael Tåhlin. 2013. "Class, occupation, wages and skills: The iron law of labor market inequality." *Comparative Social Research*, 30: 3-46.
- Goldthorpe, John H. 2000. "Social class and the differentiation of employment contracts" Chapter five in *On Sociology, vol. 2* (Available via mondo under resources)
- Tåhlin, Michael. 2007. "Class clues" *European Sociological Review*, 23: 557-72.

## **April 4, Family and stratification (Peter Fallesen)**

### *Chapters in Social stratification*

91. Zhenchao Qian & Daniel T. Lichter "Are Recent Trends in Inter-marriage Consistent with Assimilation Theory?"

### *Journal articles and other texts*

- Kalmijn, Matthijs (1998). Inter-marriage and homogamy: Causes, patterns, trends. *Annual Review of Sociology* 24:395-421.
- McLanahan, Sara S & Percheski, Christine (2008). Family structure and the reproduction of inequalities. *Annual Review of Sociology* 34: 257-276.
- Sorensen, Annemette (1994). Women, family and class. *Annual Review of Sociology* 20: 27-47.
- Bloome, D. (2017). Childhood Family Structure and Intergenerational Income Mobility in the United States. *Demography*, 54(2), 541-569.

Conger, R. D., Conger, K. J., & Martin, M. J. (2010). Socioeconomic status, family processes, and individual development. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 72(3), 685-704.

#### **April 9, Ethnicity (Moa Bursell)**

##### *Chapters in Social stratification*

- 44. Massey, D. and Denton, N. "American Apartheid: Segregation and the Making of the Underclass"
- 81. Bonacich, Edna "A Theory of Ethnic Antagonism: The Split Labor Market"
- 82. Portes, A. and Manning, R.D. "The immigrant enclave: Theory and empirical examples."
- 84. Portes, A. and Zhou "The New Second Generation: Segmented Assimilation and Its Variants"
- 86. Bertrand, M. and Mullainathan, S. "Are Emily and Greg More Employable Than Lakisha and Jamal? A Field Experiment on Labor Market Discrimination."
- 89. Wilson, W.J. "The Declining Significance of Race: Blacks and Changing American Institutions."

##### *Journal articles and other texts*

Hällsten, Martin, Ryszard Szulkin and Jerzy Sarnecki. (2013). "Crime as a Price of Inequality? The Delinquency Gap between Children of Immigrants and Children of Native Swedes." *British Journal of Criminology* 53(3):456-481.

Wimmer, Andreas. (2008). The Making and Unmaking of Ethnic Boundaries: A Multilevel Process Theory. 113: 4: 970-1022.

#### **April 11, Gender stratification in the labour market (Charlotta Magnusson)**

##### *Chapters in Social stratification*

- 104. Maria Charles & David B. Grusky "Essentialism and Gender Inequality"
- 106. Paula England "Devaluation and the Pay of Comparable Male and Female Occupations"
- 107. Tony Tam "Why Do Female Occupations Pay Less?"
- 108. Francine Blau "The Sources of the Gender Pay Gap"

##### *Journal articles and other texts*

Blau, F. and Kahn, L. (2016). The Gender Wage Gap: Extent, Trends, and Explanations. *Journal of Economic Literature* 55(3), 789-865.

Grönlund, A. and Magnusson, C. (2016). Family-friendly policies and women's wages – is there a trade-off? Skill investments, occupational segregation and the gender pay gap in Germany, Sweden and the UK. *European Societies* 18:91-113

Magnusson, C. and Neramo, M. (2017). Gender, parenthood and wage differences – the importance of time consuming job characteristics. *Social Indicators Research* 131:797-816.

#### **April 16, Health and stratification (Olof Östergren)**

##### *Chapters in Social stratification*

- 120. Johannes Siegrist and Michael Marmot "Health Inequalities and the Psychosocial Environment: Two Scientific Challenges"

121. Karen Lutfev and Jeremy Freese “The Fundamentals of Fundamental Causality”
122. Richard Miech, Fred Pampel, Jinyoung Kim, & Richard G. Rogers “Why Do Mortality Disparities Persist?”

*Journal articles and other texts*

- Hayward, M. D., & Gorman, B. K. (2004). The long arm of childhood: The influence of early-life social conditions on men’s mortality. *Demography*, 41(1), 87-107.
- Lahelma, E., Martikainen, P., Laaksonen, M., & Aittomäki, A. (2004). Pathways between socioeconomic determinants of health. *Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health*, 58(4), 327-332.
- Elo, I. T. (2009). Social class differentials in health and mortality: Patterns and explanations in comparative perspective. *Annual Review of Sociology*, 35, 553-572.
- Mirowsky, J., & Ross, C. E. (2005). Education, Learned Effectiveness and Health. *London Review of Education*, 3(3), 205-220
- Östergren, O. (2018). Educational inequalities in mortality are larger at low levels of income: A register-based study on premature mortality among 2.3 million Swedes, 2006–2009. *SSM-Population Health*, 5, 122-128.

**April 18, Intergenerational transmission of income (Carina Mood)**

*Chapters in Social stratification*

56. Gary Solon “Intergenerational Income Mobility”
57. John Ermisch, Markus Jäntti, Timothy Smeeding, & James A. Wilson “Advantage in Comparative Perspective”

*Journal articles and other texts*

- Blanden, Jo (2013). “Cross-Country Rankings in Intergenerational Mobility: A Comparison of Approaches from Economics and Sociology”. In: *Journal of Economic Surveys* 27.1, pp. 38–73.
- Mood C, Jonsson JO and Bihagen E (2012) Socioeconomic persistence across generations: Cognitive and non-cognitive processes. Chapter 3 in: John Ermisch, Markus Jäntti, and Timothy Smeeding (eds.), [From Parents to Children: The Intergenerational Transmission of Advantage](#). New York: Russell Sage (with Jan O Jonsson and Erik Bihagen) (Available via mondo under resources)
- Mood, Carina (2017) [More than money: Social class, income and the intergenerational transmission of advantage](#). *Sociological Science* DOI 10.15195/v4.a12
- Corak, Miles (2013). “Income Inequality, Equality of Opportunity, and Intergenerational Mobility”. In: *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 27.3, pp. 79–102.