



**Reading list for SANS001, Social Science and Human Nature and Society – Conceptual and Philosophical Issues, 7.5 credits, third cycle**

The reading list was approved by the Research Studies Council 25 May 2016.

***Required reading***

- Danziger, Kurt. 1997. *Naming the Mind*. London: SAGE. (Selected pages, 75 p.)
- Erneling, Christina E. 1993. *Understanding Language Acquisition. The Framework of Learning*. Albany, NY: SUNY Press. (Selected pages, 40 p.)
- Erneling, Christina E. and Johnson, David M. (eds.). 2005. *The Mind as a Scientific Object. Between Brain and Culture*. New York: Oxford University Press. (Introductions and Afterward, 70 p.)
- Gellner, Ernest. 1979. An ethic of cognition. *Spectacles and Predicament*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (16 p.)
- Gordon, Scott. 1991. Biology, science, and social policy. *The History and Philosophy of the Social Sciences*. London: Routledge. (50 p.)
- Hacking, Ian. 1999. *The Social Construction of What?* Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press. (223 p.)
- Harré, Rom. 2012. Methods of research: neuroscience and genetic/evolutionary psychology. In Harré, R. and Moghaddam, F. M. (eds.). *Psychology for the Third Millennium. Integrating Cultural and Neuroscience Perspectives*. London: SAGE. (20 p.)
- Harré, Rom and Erneling, Christina E. 2012. Becoming Human. In Harré, R. and Moghaddam, F. *Psychology for the Third Millennium. Integrating Cultural and Neuroscience Perspectives*. London: SAGE. (15 p.)
- Henrich, Joseph, Heine, Steven. J. and Norenzayan, Ara. 2010. The weirdest people in the world? *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 33 (2-3): 6-135. (Selected pages, 20 p.)
- Johnson, David M. and Erneling, Christina E. (eds.). 1997. *The Future of the Cognitive Revolution*. New York: Oxford University Press. (Introductions and Afterword, 70 p.)
- Stevenson, Leslie, Haberman, David L. and Wright, Peter Matthews. 2012. *Twelve Theories of Human Nature*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. (320 p.)
- Tooby, John and Cosmides, Leda. 2005. Conceptual foundations of evolutionary psychology. In Buss, D. M. (ed.). *The Handbook of Evolutionary Psychology*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. (63 p.)
- <http://www.cep.ucsb.edu/papers/bussconceptual05.pdf>

In addition, each student is expected to read a seminal and relevant book/paper in his or her MA discipline. The choice has to be approved by the Course Director. (50 p.)

Selected articles (50 p.)

***Recommendation***

A very good series of videos presenting the main Western philosophers and their views on human nature and society, originally shown on BBC:

[http://www.openculture.com/2012/05/bryan\\_magees\\_in-depth\\_uncut\\_tv\\_conversations\\_with\\_famous\\_philosophers\\_1978-87.html](http://www.openculture.com/2012/05/bryan_magees_in-depth_uncut_tv_conversations_with_famous_philosophers_1978-87.html)