

GLOBAL CIVIL SOCIETY
Political Science 219
Thursday 2-4:50
Spring 2008

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Books Recommended For Purchase

- 1) Global Civil Society 2004/5
Edited by: [Helmut K. Anheier](#) University of California, Los Angeles
[Mary H Kaldor](#) Centre for Civil Society and Centre for the Study of Global Governance, LSE
[Marlies Glasius](#) London School of Economics, UK
- 2) Margaret E. Keck and Kathryn Sikkink, ACTIVISTS BEYOND BORDERS, Cornell University Press, 1998.
- 3) John Boli and George Thomas. CONSTRUCTING WORLD CULTURE. Stanford University Press, 1999.
- 4) The New Transnational Activism, Series: Cambridge Studies in Contentious Politics, [Sidney Tarrow](#)
- 5) Global Civil Society: Contested Futures

Edited by Gideon Baker, David Chandler

Series: [Routledge Advances in International Relations and Global Politics](#)

6) Human Rights and Private Wrongs: Constructing Global Civil Society, Alison Brysk

Published by: Routledge

Publication Date: 12/29/2004

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS, TOPICS, AND READINGS:

4/3/08: *Defining and Debating Global Civil Society*

READINGS-- Kaldor: Ezzat

Baker: Colas, Keane, Falk, Kaldor

4/10/08:* *Global Civil Society Under Fire—*

COLOMBIA NGOS CONFERENCE VIDEO VIEWING TBA

[4/17/08—cancelled]

4/24/08: *History: Globalizing Civil Society*

READINGS--Boli and Thomas: B and T, Nature, Red Cross, Dev. NGOs

5/1/08: *Modelling Global Civil Society*

READINGS—Kaldor: Anheier-Nets, Grenier, Anheier-Foundations, Waterman

5/8/08: *Mobilizing Global Civil Society*

READINGS: Tarrow, CHS. 4-9 (pp.59-179)

5/15/08: *State Targets*

READINGS: Keck and Sikkink: “Historical Precursors,” “Human Rights”

Kaldor: Wainwright

5/22/08: *Global Targets*

READINGS: Keck and Sikkink, “Environmental Advocacy”

Kaldor: Oil

5/29/08: *Private Targets*

READINGS: Brysk, Chs. 1-4 (pp. 1-87)

6/5/08: *Critiquing Global Civil Society*

READINGS: Baker and Chandler—Baker, Lipschutz, Hutchings

Kaldor—Anderson and Rieff

GLOBAL CIVIL SOCIETY
Professor Brysk
Spring 2002

Politics 219D
Th 9:30-12:20

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- 3—John Boli and George M. Thomas (eds.), *Constructing World Culture: International Nongovernmental Organizations Since 1875*. Stanford University Press, 1999.
- 4—Ann Florini (ed.), *The Third Force: The Rise of Transnational Civil Society*. Carnegie Endowment, 2000.
- 5—John Arquilla and David Ronfeldt (eds.), *Networks and Netwars*, RAND, 2001.
- 6—Robert O'Brien, Anne Marie Goetz, Jan Aart Scholte, Marc Williams, *Contesting Global Governance: Multilateral Economic Institutions and Global Social Movements*. Cambridge University Press, 2000.
- 7—Michael Edwards and John Gaventa (eds.). *Global Citizen Action*. Lynne Rienner, 2001.

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RESEARCH PAPERS ARE DUE THE LAST DAY OF CLASS. NO EXCEPTIONS. The last class session will consist of a series of presentations of research papers and panel discussion.

COURSE SCHEDULE

4/4: Defining Global Civil Society:

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1--Alexis de Tocqueville, *Democracy in America*, NY: Vintage Books, 1945, 123-8.*

2--Larry Diamond, "Rethinking Civil Society," *Journal of Democracy*, Vol. 5, No. 3, July 1994.*

3--Jean Cohen and Andrew Arato, *Civil Society and Political Theory*, MIT Press, 1992, Introduction and Chapter 7.*

4--Robert Keohane and Joseph Nye (eds.), *Transnational Relations and World Politics*, Harvard, 1971, Conclusion.*

5—Jessica Matthews, "Power Shift," *Foreign Affairs*, 1997.*

6--Paul Wapner, "The Normative Promise of Nonstate Actors: A Theoretical Account of Global Civil Society," in Wapner and Ruiz (eds.), *Principled World Politics*, Rowman and Littlefield, 2000, pp.261-274.*

4/11: Modelling Global Civil Society:

1—Keck and Sikkink, "Transnational Advocacy Networks in International Politics."

2—Smith, Pagnucco, and Chatfield, "Social Movements and World Politics." And John D. McCarthy, "The Globalization of Social Movement Theory."

3—Boli and Thomas, "INGOs and the Organization of World Culture."

4—Arquilla and Ronfeldt, "The Advent of Netwar."

5—Peter Uvin, "From Local Organizations to Global Governance: The Role of NGOs in International Relations," in Kendall Stiles (ed.), *Global Institutions and Local Empowerment: Competing Theoretical Perspectives*, St. Martin's Press, 2000.*

6—Alger in Smith et al., “Transnational Social Movements, World Politics, and Global Governance.”

4/18: Mobilizing Global Civil Society:

- 1—Khagram in Florini, “Toward Democratic Governance for Sustainable Development.”
- 2—Gerlach in Arquilla and Ronfeldt, “The Structure of Social Movements.”
- 3—Keck and Sikkink, “Historical Precursors.”
- 4—Berkovitch in Boli and Thomas, “The Emergence and Transformation of the International Women’s Movement.”
- 5—Lent and Trivedy in Edwards and Gaventa, “National Coalitions and Global Campaigns: The International Children’s Rights Movement.”

4/25: Strategies and Tactics of Global Civil Society:

- 1—Coy in Smith et al., “Cooperative Accompaniment.”
- 2—Galtung in Florini, “A Global Network to Curb Corruption.”
- 3—Harper in Edwards and Gaventa, “Do the Facts Matter?”
- 4—Finnemore in Boli and Thomas, “Rules of War and Wars of Rules.”
- 5—Ronfeldt and Arquilla, “Emergence and Influence of the Zapatista Social Netwar.”

5/2: National Impact:

- 1—Risse in Florini, “The Power of Norms.”
- 2—Danitz and Strobel in Arquilla and Ronfeldt, “Networking Dissent.”
- 3—Kumar in Florini, “Democratization.”
- 4—Keck and Sikkink, Ch.3—“Human Rights.”

5/9: Global Targets:

- 1—Mekata in Florini, “Land Mines.”
- 2—O’Brien et al., Ch.4—“The World Bank, The World Trade Organization, and the environmental social movement.”
- 3—Collins et al. In Edwards and Gaventa, “Jubilee 2000.”
- 4—Rucht in Smith et al., “Limits to Mobilization: Environmental policy for the European Union.”

5/16: Private Targets:

- 1—Williams in Arquilla and Ronfeldt, “Transnational Criminal Networks.”
- 2—Newell in Edwards and Gaventa, “Campaigning for Corporate Change.”
- 3—Chabbott in Boli and Thomas, “Development INGOs.”
- 4—Keck and Sikkink, Ch.5—“Transnational Networks on Violence Against Women.”

5/23: Content: The Influence of Identities and Issue Types:

- 1—Kim in Boli and Thomas, “Constructing a Global Identity.”
- 2—O’Brien et al., Ch.3—“The World Trade Organization and labour.”
- 3—Patel et al. In Edwards and Gaventa, “Squatting on the Global Highway.”
- 4—DeMars in Smith et al., “Contending Neutralities.”
- 5—Sullivan in Arquilla and Ronfeldt, “Gangs, Hooligans, and Anarchists.”

5/30: Global governance and dilemmas

- 1—O’Brien et al., Ch.6—“Complex multilateralism.”
- 2—Florini, “Lessons learned.”
- 3—Keck and Sikkink, “Conclusion: Advocacy networks and international society.”
- 4—Boli, “Conclusion: World authority structures and legitimations.”
- 5—Clark in Edwards and Gaventa, “Ethical globalization.”

6/6: PRESENTATION OF RESEARCH FINDINGS.

GLOBAL CIVIL SOCIETY
Professor Brysk
Fall 2003

Politics 219D
Tu 11-1:50 PM
[*Brown bag*]

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4) The oral research presentations will be the equivalent of conference panels, sharing your findings with the group in approximately fifteen minutes. These presentations should include a concise statement of the research problem, hypothesis or approach, methods or literature consulted, and results. You should be prepared to answer questions, relate your work to other presenters', and analyze where further research is necessary to answer remaining questions [a good source for thesis ideas!]. Class comments on your research presentation should then be incorporated into the final draft of your paper.

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*6--Carruthers

SIGN UP FOR READING PRESENTATIONS

10/7: Modelling Global Civil Society:

1—Keck and Sikkink, "Transnational Advocacy Networks in International Politics."

2—Smith, Pagnucco, and Chatfield, “Social Movements and World Politics.” And John D. McCarthy, “The Globalization of Social Movement Theory.”

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*5—Khagram, Riker, and Sikkink

*6--Barsh and Khattak

PAPER TOPICS DUE

10/14: Mobilizing Global Civil Society:

1—Khagram in Florini, “Toward Democratic Governance for Sustainable Development.”

2—Keck and Sikkink, “Historical Precursors.”

3—Berkovitch in Boli and Thomas, “The Emergence and Transformation of the International Women’s Movement.”

*4—Brysk, From Tribal Village To Global Village—Chapter 2

Reading presentations

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*4—Brysk in Van Cott, “Acting Globally”

Reading presentations

10/28: Strategies and Tactics of Global Civil Society:

1—Coy in Smith et al., “Cooperative Accompaniment.”

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3—Johnson in Florini, “Advocates and Activists”

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- 1—Brysk, “Human Rights and Private Wrongs”, whole ms.*
- 2—Chabbot in Boli and Thomas, “Development INGOs.”
- 3—Keck and Sikkink, Ch.5—“Transnational Networks on Violence Against Women.”

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS: PANEL #1

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- 3—Boli, “Conclusion: World authority structures and legitimations.”
- 4—O’Brien, “Complex multilateralism”

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS: PANEL #2

