



[AGST#1 RURAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES: LECTURE SERIES NO.10]

Spatial Thinking in Social Sciences *Perspectives on Rural-Urban / Local-Global Dichotomies*

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In this course, we critically engage with the spatial turn in social sciences developing since the 1970s. Building upon a brief introduction into the return of spatial thinking in the social sciences, we will discuss three themes in relation to the visual culture: the construction of the rural (in relation to the urban), our understanding of the local (in relation to the global), and re-invention of the nature (in relation to culture, or society).



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Ms. Bahar Şimşek is a research assistant at the Radio Television and Film Department of Ankara University, Turkey. Her research interest is spatial and linguistic variables in film studies. In the context of this interest, she treats urban and rural as the main sites of antinomies of modern subjects. The emergence of the rural as a space of subjectification is a central issue in her work.

- **This course is designed to be worth 1 credit**
- **Advance registration is required**
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[Time & Venue]

@ Meeting Room (8F)

Faculty of Law/Economics
East Building

- ① 11th Tue. 9:00-12:00
- ② 14th Fri. 9:00-12:00
- ③ 14th Fri. 13:30-16:30
- ④ 18th Tue. 9:00-12:00
- ⑤ 21st Fri. 9:00-12:00

[Course Contents]

- i) Lectures --- introduce and explain theoretical approaches on place/space as well as contextualize these theoretical approaches
- ii) Self-study --- further develop the understanding of the theoretical approaches discussed
- iii) Assignments --- apply a relational approach to the student's own field of work
- iv) Workshops --- discuss literature and assignments
- v) Film analysis and critique

Note

**Registration required
for participation**

(Name, student ID number, and need/no need of credit)

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