

Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures – German Studies
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LLCU 609

Critical Theory of the Frankfurt School

This seminar introduces students from a variety of disciplines to the major tenets of the Frankfurt School. It investigates the intellectual heritage of the Frankfurt School and its theoretical reflections on society, media, culture, and art; it examines the history of critical theory in relation to current developments, arguing for the Frankfurt School's continuing relevance for a broad range of issues in areas such as cultural, literary, and film studies, music, art, political science, sociology, philosophy, and intellectual history. Texts by Walter Benjamin, Theodor W. Adorno, Jürgen Habermas, Herbert Marcuse and others.

Graduate students from all disciplines are welcome; interdisciplinary approach encourages graduate students to pursue aspects of critical theory relevant to their fields and interests.

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