

STV4119 Political Utopias

Lecture plan – Fall 2008

Time 10.15 – 12.00 Place: ESH 847

Teacher: Werner Christie Mathisen

Lecture 1, 11.11: *Introduction to the course and Utopia.*

Required: Kumar (1991); Sargisson (1996)

Recommended: Kumar (1987)

Lecture 2, 14.11: *Generally about utopias and their importance for politics and political science.*

Required: Baccolini, Raffaella and Moylan (2003); Jameson (2005); Levitas (2001)

Recommended: Mathisen (2006); Saage (1997); Waschkuhn (2003)

Lecture 3, 18.11: *The birth of the genre: Thomas More.*

Required: More (1516)

Recommended: Ackroyd (1998); Herz (1999)

Lecture 4, 21.11: *William Morris and the dangers of utopianism.*

Required: Davis (2001); Morris (1890)

Lecture 5, 25.11: *Brave new World.*

Required: Huxley (1932)

Recommended: Huxley (1965); Mathisen (2001)

Lecture 6, 28.11: *Feminist utopianism: Piercy.* Guest lecturer: Virginia Griffiths.

Required: Moylan (1986); Piercy (1976)

Recommended: Griffiths (2005)

Lecture 7, 02.12: *Green utopianism: Callenbach and Le Guin.*

Required: Callenbach (1975); Le Guin (1974); Mathisen (2001); Mathisen (2006)

Recommended: Callenbach (1981); de Geus (1999)

Seminar 05.12: *Discussions of essays.*

Seminar 09.12: *Discussions of essays.*

Seminar 12.12: *Discussions of essays.*