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# GEOG 410.01: Migration and Population Change - Special Focus - Population Loss on the Northern Plains

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# **Geog 410 Migration and Population Change**

## **Special Focus: Population Loss on the Northern Plains**

Time & Place: M 3.10-6 p.m., SocSc 362

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Hours: M 1-2.40 p.m., TR 8.40-9.30 a.m., 11.10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

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**Course Objectives:** This class has two objectives.

1. It provides a **sound understanding of internal migration in the United States** by exposing students to classic and contemporary works on mobility and migration, in particular on migration to nonmetropolitan areas (Part I. Understanding Migration and Population Change)
2. It **involves students in empirical research** by analyzing a recent survey of residents and migrants of the Northern Plains (w. SPSS; Part II. Migration on the Northern Plains)

### **Part I. Understanding Migration and Population Change.**

During the first sessions of the class (*Essentials*), I will introduce the basic terminology, review publicly available migration data, and discuss classic works in migration research. The next sessions provide an understanding of migration to nonmetropolitan areas (*What Drives Nonmetropolitan Migration*). Then students will review and present on a series of papers on *Demographic Restructuring. Migration in the Mountain West* has attracted the interest of several contemporary migration researchers, and students will review and present on some of that work.

### **Part II. Migration on the Northern Plains.**

After an overview of population change in the Northern Plains, we will use a recent survey of residents of and migrants to the Northern Plains (Eastern Montana, Eastern Wyoming, Eastern Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Western Iowa). We will use SPSS to understand area demographics, reasons for moving and staying, migration histories, attachment to place and propensity to stay. A series of short reports will build the building blocks of a final research paper and presentation.

### **Readings:**

Text: Boyle, Paul, Keith Halfacree, and Vaughan Robinson. 1998. *Exploring Contemporary Migration*. Essex: Addison Wesley Longman.

Reserve: Pandit, Kavita and Suzanne Davies Withers, eds. 1999. *Migration and Restructuring in the United States. A Geographic Perspective*. Lanham-Boulder-New York-Oxford: Rowman & Littlefield.

Reserve Reader (includes readings as indicated on this syllabus)

Web: see URLs below

### **Learning and Grading:**

Progress in this course will be achieved through reading and in-class discussion (20%), literature reviews (presentation and paper, 25%), research reports (25%), and a final presentation and paper (30%)

## **Part I. Understanding Migration and Population Change**

### ***The Essentials***

#### **Introduction**

Boyle, Paul, Keith Halfacree, and Vaughan Robinson. 1998. Ch1 Introduction: the spatial impact of migration. In *Exploring Contemporary Migration*:1-33. Essex: Addison Wesley Longman.

#### **Basic Terms (the demographic equation, etc.)**

Gober, Patricia. 1993. *Americans on the Move*. Population Bulletin. Washington, D.C.: Population Reference Bureau.

Boyle, Paul, Keith Halfacree, and Vaughan Robinson. 1998. Ch 2 Defining and Measuring Migration. In *Exploring Contemporary Migration*:34-56. Essex: Addison Wesley Longman. Industrial Restructuring

#### **Regional Terms (rural-urban, nonmetro-metro, rural- urban continuum)**

Census definitions: rural urban <http://www.census.gov/population/censusdata/urdef.txt>

Metro-nonmetro 1990 <http://www.census.gov/population/www/estimates/mastand.html>

Metro-nonmetro 2000 <http://www.census.gov/population/www/estimates/masrp.html>

Rural-urban continuum Beale Codes <http://www.ers.usda.gov/briefing/rurality/RuralUrbCon/>

#### **Classics: Mobility Types, the Mobility Transition, Push and Pull**

Grigg, D.B. 1977. E.G. Ravenstein and the "laws of migration". *Journal of Historical Geography* 3, no. 1: 41-54, reprinted in Vaughan Robinson (ed.) 1996 *Geography and Migration*.

Zelinsky, Wilbur. 1971. The hypothesis of the mobility transition. *The Geographical Review* 61, no. April: 219-249.

Lee, Everett S. 1966. A theory of migration. *Demography* 3: 47-57.

#### **Public Migration Data: Census, CPS, IRS, Estimates (ACS)**

Anderton, Douglas L., Richard E. Barrett, and Donald j Bogue. 1997. Sources of United States Population Data. In *The Population of the United States*:54--79, 101-102. New York, NY: The Free Press.

#### **Life Course Mobility**

Boyle, Paul, Keith Halfacree, and Vaughan Robinson. 1998. Ch 5 Migration and the life-course. In *Exploring Contemporary Migration*:105-127. Essex: Addison Wesley Longman.

#### **More Classics: Migration for Jobs**

Sjaastad, Larry A. 1962. The costs and returns to human migration. *Journal of Political Economy* 70, no. (Supplement): 80-93.

Lowry, Ira S. 1966. Place to Place Migration Flows. In *Migration and Metropolitan Growth: Two Analytical Models*:7-33. San Francisco: Chandler Publishing.

## ***What Drives Nonmetropolitan Migration***

### **The Metro-Nonmetro Turnaround**

Beale, Calvin L. 1975. The Revival of Population Growth in Nonmetropolitan America. Washington, D.C.: Economic Research Service.

Johnson, Kenneth M. 1999. The Rural Rebound. *Reports on America* 1, no. 3: 1-21.  
[http://www.prb.org/Content/NavigationMenu/PRB/AboutPRB/Reports\\_on\\_America/Reports\\_on\\_America.htm](http://www.prb.org/Content/NavigationMenu/PRB/AboutPRB/Reports_on_America/Reports_on_America.htm) (select PDF file)

Frey, William H. 1987. Migration and Depopulation of the Metropolis: Regional Restructuring or Rural Renaissance. *American Sociological Review* 52, no. 2: 240.

Fuguitt, Glenn V. and Calvin L. Beale. 1996. Recent trends in nonmetropolitan migration: toward a new turnaround. *Growth and Change* 27, no. 2: 156-174.

### **Industrial Restructuring**

Beale, Calvin L. 1980. The Changing Nature of Rural Employment. In *New Directions in Urban-Rural Migration. The Population Turnaround in Rural America*, ed. David L. Brown and John M. Wardwell:37-50. New York: Academic Press.

Fuguitt, Glenn V., David L. Brown, and Calvin L. Beale. 1989. Industrial Structure and Change. In *Rural and Small Town America*, ed. Glenn V. Fuguitt, David L. Brown, and Calvin L. Beale:263-302. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

### **Residential Preferences**

Fuguitt, Glenn V. and James J. Zuiches. 1975. Residential preferences and population distribution. *Demography* 12: 491-504.

DeJong, Gordon F. 1977. Residential preferences and migration. *Demography* 14: 169-178.

### **Migration for Amenities**

Ullman, Edward L. 1954. Amenities as a factor in regional growth. *Geographical Review* 44, no. January: 119-132.

von Reichert, Christiane and Gundars Rudzitis. 1992. Multinomial logistic models explaining income changes of migrants to high-amenity counties. *The Review of Regional Studies* 22, no. 1: 25-42.

ERS amenity areas <http://www.ers.usda.gov/emphases/rural/data/amenities/>

Boyle, Paul, Keith Halfacree, and Vaughan Robinson. 1998. Ch6 Migration and the quality of life. In *Exploring Contemporary Migration*:128-152. Essex: Addison Wesley Longman.

McGranahan, David A. 1999. Natural Amenities Drive Rural Population Change. *Agricultural Economic Report* 781. <http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/aer781/aer781i.pdf>

### **(Option: Return Migration)**

von Reichert, Christiane. 1999. High School Reunions: How They Help Us Understand Why Montanans Come Home. Missoula: Department of Geography, University of Montana.

## **Demographic Restructuring (Review Presentations)**

### **Migration of the Baby Boomers**

Rogerson, Peter A. 1999. Geography of the Baby-Boom Cohort. In *Migration and Restructuring in the United States. A Geographic Perspective*, ed. Kavita Pandit and Suzanne Davies Withers:174-192. Lanham-Boulder-New York-Oxford: Rowman & Littlefield.

### **Migration of the Elderly**

Longino, Charles F. 1992. The forest and the trees: micro-level considerations in the study of geographic mobility in old age. In *Elderly Migration and Population Redistribution. A Comparative Study*, ed. Andrei Rogers:17-34. London: Bellhaven Press.

McHugh, Kevin E. and Robert C. Mings. 1996. The Circle of Migration: Attachment to Place in Aging. *The Annals of the Association of American Geographers* 86, no. 3: 530-550.

### **Migration of the Foreign Born**

Gober, Patricia. 1999. Settlement Dynamics and Internal Migration of the U.S. Foreign-Born Population. In *Migration and Restructuring in the United States. A Geographic Perspective*, ed. Kavita Pandit and Suzanne Davies Withers:231-249. Lanham-Boulder-New York-Oxford: Rowman & Littlefield.

### **Nonmetro Migration as White Flight?**

Frey, William H. and Kao-Lee Liaw. 1998. Immigrant Concentration and Domestic Migrant Dispersal: Is Movement to Nonmetropolitan Areas "White Flight"? *The Professional Geographer* 50, no. 2: 215-232.

## **Migration in the Mountain West (Review Presentations)**

*Rural Development Perspectives* 14, no. 2 <http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/rdp/rdpsept99/>

### **Cromartie**

Cromartie, John B. and John M. Wardwell. 1999. Migrants Settling Far and Wide in the Rural West. *Rural Development Perspectives* 14, no. 2: 2-8.

### **Rudzitis**

Rudzitis, Gundars. 1999. Amenities Increasingly Draw People to the Rural West. *Rural Development Perspectives* 14, no. 2: 9-13.

### **Vias**

Vias, Alexander C. 1999. Jobs Follow People in the Rural Rocky Mountain West. *Rural Development Perspectives* 14, no. 2: 14-23.

## **Nelson**

Nelson, Peter B. 1999. Quality of Life, Nontraditional Income, and Economic Growth. New Development Opportunities for the Rural West. *Rural Development Perspectives* 14, no. 2: 32-37.

Nelson, Peter B. 1997. Migration, Sources of Income, and Community Change in the Nonmetropolitan Northwest. *The Professional Geographer* 49, no. 4: 418-430.

## **Jobs**

Jobs, Patrick C. 1992. Economic and quality of life decision in migration to a high amenity area. In *Community, Society and Migration. Noneconomic Migration in America*, ed. Patrick C. Jobs, William F. Stinner, and John M. Wardwell:335-362. Lanham: University Press of America.

## **Shumway**

Shumway, Matthew J. and Samuel M. Otterstrom. 2001. Spatial Patterns of Migration and Income Change in the Mountain West: The Dominance of Service-Based, Amenity-Richt Counties. *The Professional Geographer* 53, no. 4: 492-502.

## **Von Reichert**

von Reichert, Christiane. 2002. Returning and New Montana Migrations: Socio-economic and Motivational Differences. *Growth and Change* 33, no. 1: 133-151.

## **Part II. Migration on the Northern Plains**

### ***Population Change on the Northern Plains: An Overview***

#### **Rathge**

<http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/sdc/presentation/download.html>

### ***Research: The Northern Plains Survey***

#### **Getting to know it**

**Who lives there, who moves there (incl. report)**

**Reasons for moving, reasons for staying (incl. report)**

**Migration Histories (incl. report)**

**Attachment to place and propensity to stay (incl. report)**

### ***Outlook: The Future of the Northern Plains***

Cartlett, Power, etc. [http://gppop.dsu.nodak.edu/p\\_schedule.htm](http://gppop.dsu.nodak.edu/p_schedule.htm)

## ***Research Presentations***

Geog 410 Migration and Population Change					Fall 2002
date	week	hour	session	Topic	readings
9-Sep	1	1	1	Introduction: significance of migration	Boyle Ch 1
		2	2	Demographic terms, demo equation	Gober; (Boyle Ch 2)
		3	3	SPSS basics	
16-Sep	2	1	4	Regional terms:rural, nonmetro, etc.	Census definitions
		2	5	Mobility types/mobility transition	Ravenstein a la Grigg; Zelinsky; Lee
		3	6	SPSS continued	
23-Sep	3	1	7	Public migration data: Census, CPS, IRS, estimates	Anderton
		2	8	Life course mobility	Boyle Ch 5
		3	9	SPSS using CPS (age migration schedule)	
30-Sep	4	1	10	Migration for jobs	Sjaastad; Lowry
		2	11	The metro-nonmetro turnaround	Beale; Johnson (Frey; Fuguitt)
		3	12	Industrial Restructuring; Residential preferences	Beale; (Fuguitt); Fuguitt; DeJong
7-Oct	5	1	13	Migration for quality of life/amenities; amenity areas	Ullman; von Reichert&Rudzitis; ERS; (Boyle Ch 6; McGranahan)
		2	14	Return migration	von Reichert
		3	15	Powerpoint presentation basics	
14-Oct	6	1	16	<b>Presentations:</b> review of articles demographic restructuring (babyboomers, elderly, foreign born, 'white flight')	Rogerson; Longino; McHugh; Gober; Frey
		2	17		
		3	18		
21-Oct	7	1	19	<b>Presentations:</b> review of articles on migration in the Mountain West	Cromartie; Rudzitis; Vias; Nelson; Jobes; Shumway; v. Reichert
		2	20		
		3	21		
28-Oct	8	1	22	The Northern Plains Survey: getting to know it	
		2	23	The Northern Plains Survey: getting to know it	
		3	24	Who lives there, who moves there	
4-Nov	9	1	25	<b>Report:</b> who lives there; who moves there	
		2	26	Reasons for moving, reasons for staying	
		3	27	Migration histories	
11-Nov	10			Veterans' Day, no class	
18-Nov	11	1	28	<b>Report:</b> Reasons for moving, reasons for staying	
		2	29	Attachment to place, propensity to stay	
		3	30	Discussion	
25-Nov	12	1	31	<b>Report:</b> Migration histories	
		2	32	<b>Report:</b> Attachment to place, propensity to stay	
		3	33	Discussion	
2-Dec	13	1	34		
		2	35	The Future of the Northern Plains	Cartlett; Power; etc.
		3	36		



9-Dec	14	1	37	
		2	38	Research presentations ?
		3	39	
17-Dec	15		40, 41	Final: 10-3.10 (Research presentations)