Objective of the course

The objective of the course is to provide students with the intellectual and practical tools necessary for analysing and understanding socio-economic structures of migration trends, migration politics, and migrants’ experiences at various levels (local, national, regional, international, and transnational) and in various regions of the world.

This course aims to develop students’ abilities to conduct research on precise topics related to the concept of migration. The students will work on a case study selected in consultation with the professor, which they will present to the class and develop in a final essay.

Summary

Global mobility is woven into the macro architecture of globalization and international relations. Migration is both a cause and an outcome of globalization. Global mobility is also woven into micro dynamics of family units and local communities. Mobility appears to be a point of tension between political modernity at the local, national and international scales.

First, the course will focus on the concept of mobility and, in particular, the trends, motivations trajectories, and agents (institutional and informal) therein. International, national and regional migration policies, as well as political heritage structuring mobility are all concepts that will be explored throughout the course.

Secondly, it will focus on the interactions between the migrants and the home and host societies with a special emphasis on transnational practices, co-presence, diasporic identities and other forms of construction of transnational social spaces.

Organisation of the course

Course’s pedagogy:
The course will be taught by two researchers, specialists of migration, refugee and gender studies in political science and sociology. Some lectures will be completed by discussions on required readings. An ethnographical approach to migration issues will complement the lectures. Thus, the students will be asked to conduct fieldwork through visits to specific areas of Paris or near suburbs.

Themes:
1. Global governance: migration in UN conventions, IOM, UNHCR, non-state actors, migrant mobilization
2. Regional governance: European Union, the Mediterranean Sea (refugee crisis), Middle East, South-East North-East Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa, Americas.
3. National migration policies: exporting labor force, organizing diasporas, controlling borders/externalizing border control, promoting development, selecting immigrants.
4. Transnational practices and Nation building in tension: circulating, care chain, diasporic entrepreneurship, cosmopolitanism, flexible citizenship, integration.
### Session 1
**July 3**
**10:30-12:30**

**Course presentation.**
**Introduction on Global Migration Governance** (Hélène Le Bail)

*Case study:* The Marrakech Migration Global Compact

Presentation of the group empirical case studies and organization.

**Reading:**

**Further reading:**
- Pécoud Antoine, 2014, Introduction in *Depoliticising migration: global governance and international migration narratives*, Palgrave (available online at Sciences Po Library)

### Session 2
**July 4**
**10:30-12:30**

**Migration Governance: State actors and the dynamics of hospitality** (Hélène Le Bail)

**Reading:**

**Further reading:**

### Workshop 1
**July 4**
**14:00-16:00**

**Workshop on methodology**
**Preparing for fieldwork in Paris**
(Calo Giametta and Hélène Le Bail)

**Reading:** *(to be read during the workshop)*
- Sarah Pink, 2009, *Doing sensory ethnography*. London;Los Angeles, [Calif.]: SAGE. (one chapter)
- *Urban Ethnography Lab*: [https://urban-ethnography.com/](https://urban-ethnography.com/)
### Session 3
**July 5**
**10:30-12:30**

**Regional migration governance – a Focus on Europe and the Mediterranean Sea** (Hélène Le Bail)
- European policy on Migration
- Neighborhood policy, bilateral agreements, border control.
- Fortress Europe and the “migrant crisis”

**Reading:**

**Further reading:**

### Session 4
**July 9**
**9:30-12:30**

**The Governance of Forced Migration (1): refugees and the UNHCR** (Calo Giametta).

**The Governance of Forced Migration (2): Asylum for sexual and gender minorities** (Calo Giametta).

**Reading:**

**Further reading:**
- UNHCR Global Report 2017

### Optional visit* 1
**July 9**
**14:00-16:00**

**Visit to the Museum of Immigration History**

### Session 5
**July 10**
**9:30-12:30**

**Economies of mobililities and Labor regimes (1): the migration industry** (Hélène Le Bail and Calo Giametta)
- State labor force exportation, agencies, intermediaries, smugglers, traffickers
- Focus on Asia-middle East labor circulation and agreements
- Focus on China-USA smuggling networks.
- Human trafficking and sex works (Nigerians in Europe)

**Reading:**

### Workshop 2
**July 11**
**14:30-17:30**

**Feedback from field visits.** (Calo Giametta and Hélène Le Bail)

Students in groups present what they have observed in an “ethnic area” of Paris (photos, notes). Students are oriented to analyze the collected observations and create a bibliography on their case studies.
| Session 6  
| July 12  
| 9:30-12:30  
| **Economies of mobilities and Labor regimes (2): Feminization of migrations and labor flexibility** (Calo Giametta)  
| **Economies of mobilities and Labor regimes (3): Feminization of migrations and demographic transition** (a focus on East-Asia). (Hélène Le Bail)  
| **Reading:**  
| **Further reading:**  
| • Lee, Yean-Ju, 2011, "Overview of Trends and Policies on International Migration to East Asia: Comparing Japan, Taiwan and South Korea", *APMJ*, vol.20, No.2: 11-131.  

| Session 7  
| July 15  
| 10:30-12:30  
| **Sending countries and diasporas governance (1): the migration-development nexus** (Hélène Le Bail)  
| **Readings to be confirmed**  

| Session 8  
| July 16  
| 10:30-12:30  
| **Sending countries and diasporas governance (2): political incorporation and nation building** (Hélène Le Bail)  
| • Quasi-citizenship for overseas communities (India)  
| • Distant vote (West African countries)  
| • Diaspora political weight in diplomacies (Armenia, Israël)  
| • Governments in exile (Tibet)  
| **Reading:**  
| • Levitt, Peggy, et Rafael De la Dehesa. 2003, « Transnational migration and the redefinition of the state: Variations and explanations ». *Ethnic and racial studies* 26, no 4: 587–611.  

| Optional visit  
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| July 16  
| 14:00-16:00  
| Arts-et-Métiers area, Chinese entrepreneur niche.  

| Session 9  
| July 17  
| 10:30-12:30  
| **Transnational practices and diaspora ethos: diasporic entrepreneurship** (Hélène Le Bail)  
| Case study of the Chinese Wenzhou diaspora (related to visit 2 in Paris).  
| **Readings to be confirmed**  

| Session 10  
| July 18  
| 10:30-12:30  
| **Receiving countries and Nation-State definition (1): inclusive and exclusive citizenships** (Hélène Le Bail)  
| **Further reading:**  

| Session 11  
| July 18  
| **Receiving countries and Nation-State definition (2): integration and multiculturalism** (Hélène Le Bail)  

### Requirements for course validation

1. **Group Oral Presentation**
   - **Empirical Case study (50% of the final grade)**
     - Students will be required to work in a group to present a case study based on ethnographic observations during fieldwork and academic readings.

2. **Final Individual Exam**
   - Short essay based on the 3-week lectures and readings (50% of the final grade)
     - (Exam is organized on Friday 26 July)

### Main professor biography

Hélène Le Bail is a research fellow at CERI since 2015. She has a doctorate in political science from the Paris Institute of Political Studies (Sciences Po) and a master degree in Chinese studies from INALCO (National Institute for Eastern Languages and Cultures). She spent many years in Japan as a Ph.D student (Hitotsubashi University), as a post-doc (Waseda University), and more recently as a research fellow for the French research center on contemporary Japan, Maison franco-japonaise (Nichifutsu kaikan), Tokyo. Her research focuses on Chinese migrations (to Japan and France) and on migration policies in a comparative approach. Special focus is made on female routes of migration (marriage, reproductive labour, sex work) and on mobilization and collective actions.

### Teacher assistant biography

Calogero Giametta is a sociologist with a research focus on gender, sexuality and the political economy of migration. He examines how migration control operates through (sexual) humanitarian interventions under neoliberal democracies - in France and in the UK. More precisely, He studies anti-human trafficking interventions and the right of asylum. Between 2010 and 2014 his doctoral research at London Metropolitan University examined the experiences of gender and sexual minority refugees, and the discourses linking the politics of sexuality and the British refugee granting process. This involved conducting ethnography with LGBT asylum seekers living in the UK. In his current post-doc fellowship at Aix-Marseille University he has expanded his research focus to the analysis of humanitarian and securitisation practices targeting migrant sex workers in France.