

Day 2: Gender, Race, & Intimate Relationships

These are texts that address issues of race, ethnicity, and/or gender, and their relationship(s) to intimate social relationships, whether they are sexual, romantic, or familial. Intimacy is defined here as a “close familiarity and/or closeness,” which can be in a physical and/or emotional sense. These texts illuminate how race, ethnicity, gender, and culture influence how closeness is constructed, developed, and/or envisioned.

Heterosexuality, Whiteness, and Intimacy

These are some of the “classics” in studies of mainstream, white, middle-class intimacy and some responses to them/critiques of them. While some authors may not explicitly discuss whiteness, they are discussing populations where whiteness is the default.

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Mulinari, Diana and Kerstin Sandell (2009). “A Feminist Re-reading of Theories of Late Modernity: Beck, Giddens and the Location of Gender,” *Critical Sociology* 35(4); pp 493-507.

Rubin, Lillian (1983). *Intimate Strangers: Men & Women Together*. Harper Perennial.

Seshadri-Crooks, Kalpana (2000). *Desiring Whiteness: A Lacanian Analysis of Race*. Routledge.

Stoler, Ann L. (1995). *Race and the Education of Desire: Foucault's History of Sexuality and the Colonial Order of Things*. Duke University Press.

Swidler, Anne (2003). *Talk of Love: How Culture Matters*. The University of Chicago Press.

Race, Sexuality and Gender/Intersectionality and Intimacy

These texts are broadly looking at the intersection(s) of race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, and intimacy. The section is further broken down into intimate relationships across international contexts, intimacy in Black families and communities, and interracial relationships.

Intimate Relationships across International Contexts

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- McClintock, Anne (1995). "'Massa' and Maids: Power and Desire in the Imperial Metropolis," "Imperial Leather: Race, Cross-dressing and the Cult of Domesticity" and "Psychoanalysis, Race and Female Fetishism" in *Imperial Leather: Race, Gender, and Sexuality in the Colonial Contest*. Routledge.
- Moraga, Cherríe and Gloria Anzaldúa (eds) (1984). *This Bridge Called My Back: Writings by Radical Women of Color*. Kitchen Table/Women of Color Press.
- Nagel, Joane (2003). *Race, Ethnicity and Sexuality: Intimate Intersections, Forbidden Frontiers*. Oxford University Press.
- Puar, Jasbir (2007). *Terrorist Assemblages: Homonationalism in Queer Times*. Duke University Press.
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- Collins, Patricia Hill (2005). *Black Sexual Politics: African Americans, Gender and the New Racism*. Routledge.
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- Moore, Mignon (2011). *Invisible Families: Gay Identities, Relationships, and Motherhood among Black Women*. University of California Press.
- Pattillo, Mary (1999). *Black Picket Fences*. University of Chicago Press.
- Spillers, Hortense (2003) "Momma's Baby, Poppa's Maybe: An American Grammar Book" in *Black, White and in Color: Essays on American Literature and Culture*. The University of Chicago Press; pp 203-229.
- Wallace, Michele (1999). *Black Macho and the Myth of the Superwoman*. Verso.
- Wekker, Gloria (2006). *The Politics of Passion: Women's Sexual Culture in the Afro-Surinamese Diaspora*. Columbia University Press.

Interracial Relationships

- Bonam, Courtney and Margaret Shih (2009) "Exploring Multiracial Individuals' Comfort with Intimate Relationships." *Journal of Social Issues* 65(1): 87-103
- Lin, Ken-Hou and Jennifer Lundquist (2013) "Mate Selection in Cyberspace: The Intersection of Race, Gender, and Education," *American Journal of Sociology*, 119(1): 183-215
- Nemuto, Kumiko (2009). *Racing Romance: Love, Power and Desire among Asian American/White Couples*. Rutgers University Press.
- Qian, Zhenchao and Daniel T. Lichter (2011) "Changing Patterns of Interracial Marriage in a Multiracial Society," *Journal of Marriage and Family* 73: 1065-1084
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Mixed-Race Identity and Relationships

These texts address mixed-race individuals and their relationships to others, particularly their experiences within multi-racial families and other social contexts.

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Dalmage, Heather (2000). *Tripping on the Color Line: Black/White Multiracial Families in a Racially Divided World*. Rutgers University Press.

Ibrahim, Habiba (2012). *Troubling the Family: The Promise of Personhood and the Rise of Multiracialism*. University of Minnesota Press.

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Rockquemore, Kerry Ann, Tracey Laszloffy and Julia Noveske (2006). "It All Starts at Home: Racial Socialization in Multiracial Families" in *Mixed Messages: Multiracial Identities in the "Color-Blind" Era*, David L. Brunnsma (ed). Lynne Rienner Publishers. pp 203-215.

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Storrs, Debbie (2006). "Culture and Identity in Mixed-Race Women's Lives" in *Mixed Messages: Multiracial Identities in the "Color-Blind" Era*, David L. Brunnsma (ed). Lynne Rienner Publishers. pp 327-347.

Twine, France Winddance (2011). *A White Side of Black Britain: Interracial Intimacy and Racial Literacy*. Duke University Press.

Zack, Naomi (1994). *Race and Mixed Race*. Temple University Press.

(Mixed-)Race and Representation

These texts focus on gendered and sexualized cultural representations/understandings of racialized bodies, particularly how the intimate relationships involving mixed-race people and/or interracial relationships/miscegenation are portrayed in popular culture.

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Courtney, Susan (2005). *Hollywood Fantasies of Miscegenation: Spectacular Narratives of Gender and Race, 1903-1967*. Princeton University Press.

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Elam, Michele (2011). "'Ethno-Ambiguo Hostility Syndrome': Mixed-Race, Identity, and Popular Culture" in *The Souls of Mixed Folk: Race, Politics, and Aesthetics in the New Millennium*. Stanford University Press.

Haritaworn, Jin (2009). "'Caucasian and Thai make a good mix': Gender, ambivalence and the 'mixed-race' body," *European Journal of Cultural Studies* 12(1); pp 59-78.

Paulin, Diana Rebeckah (2012). *Imperfect Unions: Staging Miscegenation in U.S. Drama and Fiction*. University of Minnesota Press.