

## **Geographies of Tourism and Leisure**

**(1)** From home to 'elsewhere': the search for 'authenticity' and typologies of tourists. (Why do we go on holiday? Why do we travel? Which type of tourists are we?)

Please refer to:

- chapter 1 "Tourism, geography and geographies of tourism", in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 3-24.

- movie: *The Beach*, directed by Danny Boyle, 2000, 20th Century Fox.

**(2)** The historical development of domestic tourism (the social, economic and cultural reasons at the basis of the development of domestic tourism)

Please refer to:

- chapter 2 "Tourism places and the place of tourism: resort development and the popularization of tourism", in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 27-50

**(3)** The historical development of international tourism (the social, economic and cultural reasons at the basis of the development of international tourism)

Please refer to:

- chapter 3 "From Camber Sands to Waikiki: the expanding horizons of international tourism" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 51-76.

**(4)** Visiting 'authentic' places and meeting the 'real locals': tourism as a form of consumption and 'staged authenticity'.

Please refer to:

- chapter 6 "Socio-cultural relations in tourism" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 134-156.

**(5)** Going to the Club Med and ending up in a (tourist) fortress: the militarization of tourist space.

Please refer to:

- paper: Minca, C. (2009), "The Island: Work, tourism and the biopolitical" *Tourist Studies* 9 (2) 88-108.

- movie: *The Island*, directed by Michael Bay, 2005, DreamWorks e Warner Bros.

**(6)** Let's go to Disneyland! Amusement and theme parks as tourist destinations.

Please refer to:

- chapter 8 "Inventing places: cultural constructions and tourism geographies" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 183-207.

- Minca, C. (2009), "The Island: Work, tourism and the biopolitical" *Tourist Studies* 9 (2) 88-108.

**(7)** The tourist gaze: tourism as a visual experience.

Please refer to:

- chapter 8 "Inventing places: cultural constructions and tourism geographies" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 183-207.

- paper: Crang, M. (1997). Picturing practices: research through the tourist gaze. *Progress in Human Geography*, 21(3), 359–373.

**(8)** I love New York, but I also love Graz! Representing and advertising places to attract tourists: place promotion/place-marketing/place-branding.

Please refer to:

- chapter 8 "Inventing places: cultural constructions and tourism geographies" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 183-207.

- paper: Kavaratzis, M., & Ashworth, G. J. (2005). City Branding: an Effective Assertion of Identity or a Transitory Marketing Trick? *Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie*, 96(5), 506–514.

**(9)** The Lord of the Rings: when movies and/or books become popular tourist destinations.

(NB: 'The Lord of the Rings' is not a compulsory case study, but just an example. Students can chose one or more movies and or books that prompted the development of a tourist destination or tours; for example: 'Star Wars' and Tunisia; 'Robin Hood' and Robin Hood County in the UK; Sex & the City hot spot bus tours, etc.)

Please refer to:

- part of Chapter 8 "Inventing places: cultural constructions and tourism geographies" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 183-207.

- paper: Carl, D., Kindon, S., & Smith, K. (2007). Tourists' Experiences of Film Locations: New Zealand as ' Middle-Earth '. *Tourism Geographies*, 9(1), 49–63.

**(10)** Let's catch a (Ryanair) flight and spend the week-end in Graz! The contemporary boom of urban tourism: why cities have become popular tourist destinations? What do they have to offer?

Please refer to:

- Chapter 9 "Urban tourism in a changing world" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 208-235

- paper Arandjelovic, B. (2008) "Historical Heritage and contemporary architecture fusion at the example of the city center of Graz" *Architecture and Civil Engeneering* 6(1), 65-74.

**(11)** I love shopping! (And eating, and learning and having fun...)

Shopping malls, Planet Hollywood, Hard Rock Cafes or other themed environments as tourist destinations.

Please refer to:

- Part of Chapter 9 "Urban tourism in a changing world" in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 208-235

- Chapter 5 "Shoptertainment, eatertainment and edutainment. Synergies and syntheses in the themed environment", Hannigan, J. (1998) *Fantasy City. Pleasure and Profit in the Postmodern Metropolis*, Routledge, London, pp. 76-97.

- paper: Goss, J. (1999). Once-upon-a-Time in the Commodity World: An Unofficial Guide to Mall of America, 89(1), 45–75.

**(12)** Heritage and tourism: the use of the ‘past’ (history, memory) to develop tourism.

Please refer to:

- Part of Chapter 10 “The Past as a foreign country. Heritage attractions in contemporary tourism” in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 236-257.

**(13)** The rise of ‘dark tourism’: when death, disasters and tragic events become tourist attractions.

Please refer to:

- Part of Chapter 10 “The Past as a foreign country. Heritage attractions in contemporary tourism” in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 236-257.

Sharpeley, Richard Stone, P. R. (Ed.). (2009). *The Darker Side of travel. The Theory and Practice of Dark Tourism*. Bristol: Channel View Publications.

**(14)** The development of ‘adventure tourism’: the body and the identity of tourists.

Please refer to:

- Part of Chapter 11 “Tourism, consumption and identity” in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 258-277.

**(15)** Wine and food tourism: tourism, consumption and identity.

Please refer to:

- Part of Chapter 11 “Tourism, consumption and identity” in Williams, Stephen, (2009) *Geography of Tourism. A New Synthesis*, Routledge, London, pp. 258-277.

**(16)** Tourism and shopping in contemporary society.

Please refer to:

- paper: Rabbiosi, C. (2011). The invention of shopping tourism. The discursive repositioning of landscape in an Italian retail-led case. *Journal of Tourism and Cultural Change*, 9(2), 70–86.

- paper: Goss, J. (1999). Once-upon-a-Time in the Commodity World: An Unofficial Guide to Mall of America, 89(1), 45–75.

For each topic I have referred to one book chapter and/or one paper students have to use as a basis to develop their individual topic. If they want, they can also independently select a specific case study in order to develop their chosen topic. For example: if a student wants to develop the topic on 'wine and food tourism' he/she can also chose to write about 'wine/food tourism' in Styria, or Austria or the country she/he comes from. If the student wants to write about 'adventure tourism' she/he can use as case study a specific area (in Austria, Europe, the rest of the world) where this form of tourism is particularly practiced. If the students want to develop the topic on 'urban tourism' she/he can chose as case study his/her own home city, for example, and so on.

The above cited book chapters and paper can be obtained from the teacher.

### **Dates**

Each Friday from 10:00 to 13:00.

1.03.2013; 8.03.2013; 15.03.2013; 22.03.2013; 19.04.2013; 26.03.2013;  
3.05.2013 10:00-13:00

17.05.2013 from 9:30-11:00