

# Field and Methods Course Toronto, Canada

Block 3 and 4, 2023-24

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# Toronto 13<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024

In the field, you will study central processes and actors within a theme of your own choice.

Block 3:

Classes of methods and philosophy of science  
Preparation of fieldwork

Block 4: Analyzing and writing up the end report



# Course structure

## Block 3: Lectures and seminars

- Relevant themes to explore in Toronto
- Group formation
- Philosophy of science and methodology

## Project development and preparation for fieldwork

- Theme and research question
- Methods
- Preparation of fieldwork
- Peer feedback from fellow students
- Group supervision



## Block 4: Group supervision and a few seminars

- Analysing data
- Writing up report
- Peer feedback
- Group supervision

# Field trip – tentative programme

You will find your own way to Toronto

April 13<sup>th</sup>

- Midday: Meet at accommodation
- Fine-tuning of fieldwork + supervision
- Common dinner

April 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

- Fieldwork as you've planned –supervisors will join parts
- Potentially guided walk or common presentation
- April 21<sup>st</sup>: Common dinner

April 22<sup>nd</sup>

- Finalize fieldwork
- Leave Toronto – or stay on your own

# Field trip -expenses

You will pay your own trip to the hotel/hostel in Toronto

During the stay in Toronto:

- Fixed daily fee: 50 DKK/day to cover accommodation + breakfast (to be paid around February)
- Lunch and dinner (except common dinners)

# Potential themes to study

- Urban and regional development
- Socio-economic inequality
- Urban poverty, gentrification and segregation
- Precarious work and labour geography
- Segregation and housing policy in a multi-cultural city
- Multi-culturalism and urban conflicts
- The creative and cultural economy
- City branding strategies
- Public vs private urban space
- Infrastructure, urban transit and development projects
- Climate change adaptation in Toronto
- Toronto - a sports city
- Development of the harbour area
- ...



# Course process and expectations

- Classes 3 hours/week
- Groups based on interests (minimum 3 persons/group)
- Use classes to get a structure of your field work
- You are in the lead –it is your project that you will work on
- Make appointments with actors of interest before the field trip
- Høgni and Christine are teachers and supervisors

# Course process and expectations

## Methods to be used in the field

- Key informant interviews (2-4)
- Interviews with general stakeholders (7-12)
- Surveys (40-)
- Mapping, quartering, observation...
  
- Transcription
- Qualitative analysis on interview data
- Quantitative analysis on survey data



# Course process and expectations

## Report

30 pages (30 x 2400 characters including spaces) per group of 3 persons  
+ plus 10 pages per extra person in the group

- Clear and concise research questions
- Theoretical framing
- Philosophy of sciences / positioning
- Methodological considerations
- Analysis of empirical data
- Discussion

Hand in in the beginning of June 2024

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## Registration

- Deadline for block 3 and 4: December 1<sup>st</sup> 2023
- Using ordinary registration procedures
  - Select Toronto



# Questions?