

GEORGE A. HUACO

SOCIOLOGY

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EDUCATIONAL HISTORY:

B.A. 1954 U.C. Berkeley, Philosophy

M.A., 1959 UCLA, Film and Theater Arts

Ph.D., 1963 U.C. Berkeley, Sociology

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

Assistant Professor, Sociology, 1963-1969, Yale.

Associate Professor, 1969-1971, SUNY Buffalo.

Professor, Sociology, 1971-present, University of New Mexico.

SHORT NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF RESEARCH, TEACHING AND SERVICE INTERESTS

Research Interests

My main interests are sociological theory and the interface between sociological theory and philosophy; the sociology of Marx; sociology of ideology, literature, art, and religion.

Teaching

I teach sections of a senior level course (sociology 471) that examines the mixture of testable theory and philosophy in 20th and 21st century schools of sociological theory; this course also introduces students to evolutionary psychology, and current evidence for biologically based unconscious patterns of human behavior.

I teach a graduate seminar on European schools of sociological theory (sociology 514). We cover the thinkers of the Frankfurt school and their main sources in German idealism and in a version of Marx. We examine the contributions of Spengler, Foucault, Sartre, Lukacs, Bauman, Habermas, and Bourdieu. Students are also exposed to findings from evolutionary psychology.

When there is enough demand, I also teach a senior course and a graduate seminar on sociology of ideology and sociology of literature. We examine the contributions of Marx, Lukacs, Karl Mannheim, Lucien Goldmann, Ian Watts, Edwin Haviland Miller, and others.

Service

Aside from serving in various departmental committees, I have a main interest in the sociology reading room, whose collection of books and journals I initiated many years ago. In addition, I was the main author of our Ph.D. program.

SCHOLARLY ACHIEVEMENTS:

BOOKS AUTHORED:

THE SOCIOLOGY OF FILM ART. N.Y. Basic Books. 1965.

THE SOCIOLOGY OF FILM ART. Japanese trans. Tokio: Yuhikaku. 1985.

SHAMANISM AND THE ESOTERIC TRADITION (with Angelique Cook). MN: Llewellyn. 1992.

MARX AND SOCIOBIOLOGY. M.A.: University Press of America. 1999.

ARTICLES:

Huaco, George A., "A Logical Analysis of the Davis and Moore Theory of Stratification." AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL REVIEW. October 1963. Reprinted in Jack Roach, Llewellyn Gross, Orville Gursslin eds. SOCIAL STRATIFICATION IN THE UNITED STATES. Prentice Hall. 1963.

Huaco, George A., "The Functionalist Theory of Stratification: Two Decades of Controversy." INQUIRY. Oslo, Norway, August 1966. Reprinted in Melvin Tumin ed. READINGS IN SOCIAL STRATIFICATION. Prentice Hall, 1969. Reprinted in George Ritzer ed. ISSUES, DEBATES, AND CONTROVERSIES, AN INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY. Allyn and Bacon. 1972.

Huaco, George A., "The Sociological Model." In Milton Albrecht, James Barnett and Mason Griff, eds. SOCIOLOGY OF ART AND LITERATURE. Praeger. 1970.

Huaco, George A., "Sociologie du roman: Le Roman Mexicain, 1915-1965," in Lucien Goldmann, ed. SOCIOLOGIE DE LA LITERATURE. Ed. De L'Institut de Sociologie, Universite Libre de Bruxeles, 1970. Reprinted in REVISTA DE LITERATURA HISPANOAMERICANA. No.5 Universidad del Zulia, Maracaibo, Venezuela. 1974.

Huaco, George A., "On Ideology," ACTA SOCIOLOGICA. No.4, Helsinki, Finland. 1971.

Huaco, George A., "Ideology and Literature," NEW LITERARY HISTORY. IV. 1972-3. The University of Virginia.

Huaco, George A., "Review Essay of Alexander Cockburn, 'Idle Passion: Chess and the Dance of Death.'" *THE SOCIOLOGICAL QUARTERLY* (17), Winter, 1976.

Huaco, George A., "The Novel and Novelists of the Mexican Revolution," *HUMBOLDT JOURNAL OF SOCIAL RELATIONS*. V. No.2 Spring/Summer 1978.

Huaco, George A., "Toward a Sociology of Western Philosophy," in Henrika Kuklick and Elizabeth Long eds. *KNOWLEDGE AND SOCIETY: STUDIES IN THE SOCIOLOGY OF CULTURE*. JAI Press Vol.5. 1984.

Huaco, George A., "Ideology and General Theory: The Case of Sociological Functionalism," in *COMPARATIVE STUDIES IN SOCIETY AND HISTORY*. (28-1) January 1986.

Huaco, George A., "Altruism in Marx and in Sociobiology." In *WORLD CULTURES*, vol.15 No.2 April 2006.

WORK SUBMITTED:

Huaco, George A., "Convergence: Marx and Heidegger on Late Modernity" . Submitted to *ACTA SOCIOLOGICA*.

WORK IN PROGRESS:

Working on an article on how Foucault derived the idea of epistemic wholes from post-1945 Heidegger.

PAPERS READ AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

Huaco, George A., "Altruism in Marx and in Sociobiology" read at the national meetings of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research. Santa Fe. February 24, 2005.

TEACHING

DOCTORAL ADVISEMENT

Ben-Meir, Jason, 2000- 2009

Halbgewachs, Nancy, 2001-current

Lora Stone, 2002- 2005

Rebecca Frerichs, 2001. Domestic Violence and Marital Rape: Intra-Relationship Correlates of Intimate-Partner Abuse.

Hovey, Kathryn, 2002. Coalminer's Stepdaughter: A Study of Fragility and Sustainability in Madrid, New Mexico.

CLASSROOM TEACHING:

2008, Spring, Soc.471-002

2008, Spring, Soc.471-001

2008. Summer, 101

2008, Fall, Soc.471-002

2008, Fall, Soc.471-001

2008-2009 Intersession 101

SERVICE:

Library liaison for the Sociology Department, and person in charge of the Reading Room.

2005-2007 Chair, undergraduate committee.

2007-2008 Chair, curriculum committee.