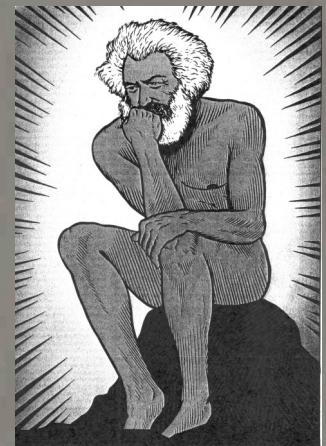


Marx and the Marxian Tradition in Western Thought

CHID 309A

In this class we will consider critical issues in the formation of modern Western culture and society through an historical analysis of the texts of Karl Marx and his 20th century disciples in Europe and America. The class will focus on the relationship between texts and historical contexts of the writings of Marx and various individual Marxists and schools of Marxists that appropriated and transformed his theories in the century after his death. How can a historical reconstruction of the situation within which Marx and Marxists wrote and acted help us to grasp the specific relevance their thought might have for the way we think now? We hope to conjure up their voices from the past so they can enter into our conversation in the present.



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