

## Social Movements (Sociology 312) Spring, 2015

**Time:** T1/T2: Tuesday/ Thursday 3:45-5:05

**Place:** Nicholson Hall NH246

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### Course Description:

This course provides students with the tools for analyzing popular movements for social change. Students will survey the best examples of social movement analysis in the neo-Marxist, new social movement, social constructionist, and resource mobilization traditions. This year's theme is the changing relationship between the Canadian state and social movements.

### Required Readings:

Bantjes, Rod. 2007. *Social Movements in a Global Context: Canadian Perspectives*. Toronto: Canadian Scholars' Press.

Online readings available through Moodle <http://moodle.stfx.ca>

### Course Work and Evaluation:

Participation – 5%

Reading Questions

Questions on the week's reading (12) – 25%

Research Presentation – 16%

Research Essay (Due March 17) – 22%

Final Exam (April, 2015) – 32%