

How “Black Deficit” Entered the Academy

Thursday, 19 October, 1pm
O’Brien Science Centre North, Theatre B129

Launching the Masters in Race, Migration and Decolonial Studies and the Decolonising the Curriculum Platform

UCD School of Sociology welcomes Professor Robbie Shilliam

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Professor Robbie Shilliam, Professor of International Relations at QMUL, Robbie's work involves three intersecting projects: Investigating “Atlantic modernity”: retrieving the archives and traditions of thought, survival and resistance of enslaved Africans and their descendants in the Americas towards re-assessing various European canons of thought; Mapping global interconnections between (post)colonised subjects: theorising global relationships between differentially situated (post)colonised subjects towards critiques of a colonially inflected global modernity; and engaging them in a project of Decolonising International Relations Theory.

Select publications include: The Black Pacific: Anticolonial Struggles and Oceanic Connections (Bloomsbury 2015); (with Alex Aneivas and Nivi Manchanda): Race and Racism in International Relations: Confronting the Global Colour Line (Routledge, 2014); (ed.) International Relations and Non-Western Thought: Imperialism, Colonialism and Investigations of Global Modernity (Routledge, 2010), “Ethiopianism, Englishness, Britishness: Struggles over Imperial Belonging” (Citizenship Studies 2016); “Colonial Architecture or Relatable Hinterlands? Locke, Nandy, Fanon and the Bandung Spirit”, (Constellations 2016)

Robbie works with various Rastafari and Black community organisations, co-convenes the British International Studies Association's Colonial/Postcolonial/Decolonial working group, is a member of the International Advisory Board of the Transnational Decolonial Institute, and a Runnymede Trustee. He blogs at http://thedisorderofthings.com/ and http://robbieshilliam.wordpress.com/