



# Lecture series im Wintersemester 2022/2023

Mittwoch, 14. Dezember 2022

Defne KADIOGLU (Malmö University, Sweden)

## Financialization, maintenance and renovation in Sweden: A case for housing as infrastructure

*Studies on rental housing financialization have blossomed over the last decade. Often concerned with legal frameworks, investment strategies or different forms of displacement, less focus has been on how the changing political economy of rental housing reconfigures the materialities of housing, home and the residential environment. I talk about how, while landlords are becoming increasingly globalized, spanning time and space in an instant, tenants are stuck with delayed and poor-quality maintenance and renovation as well as a clogged routes of communication, severely affecting their quality of life. The research, conducted together with Ilhan Kellecioğlu, is based in a working-class Stockholm suburb, where tenants have experienced rapid and multiple changes of private ownership over the last 25 years. We propose to discuss the concept of 'housing as infrastructure' to account for the complex consequences of rental housing financialization.*

Mittwoch, 18. Januar 2023

Carl BONNER-THOMPSON (University of Brighton, UK)

## Living queer with data: contradictory and ambivalent relationships with digital data

*Digital data and algorithms are subject to increasing scrutiny in policy, academic and everyday environments. Academic research on data and algorithms highlights the ways that data remakes and transforms our socio-spatial relations, focusing on the intensification of surveillance, inequalities and violence. Still, within tech discourse, and among many policy circles, datafication is still seen as a way to enhance social, economic, political and environmental life. Such contradicting discourses can create ambivalent relationships with data, yet less is known about the ways different people make sense of these uncertain conditions. This paper explores the findings of an ongoing research project (Living Queer with Data) that examines how LGBTQ+ people, living in Brighton and Hove UK, negotiate digital data at the everyday scale. In part, the project examines the choices that LGBTQ+ people make about sharing different information about themselves with apps, devices and platforms. In the paper, I focus on the contradictory and ambivalent relationships that LGBTQ+ people have with digital data. In particular, how digital data collection and sharing can feel comfortable and acceptable whilst also creating anxieties and worry. By situating digital data in the everyday, I reveal how discourses enable datafication to become pervasive despite the concerns over surveillance. By way of conclusion, I explore the importance of situating digital data in the everyday for geographers who wish to challenge unethical practices of datafication.*

Mittwoch, 1. Februar 2023

Lisa RUHRORT (Hochschule für Wirtschaft und Umwelt Nürtingen-Geislingen)

## Mobilität als Kultur:

## Hürden und Ansatzpunkte für eine nachhaltige Mobilitätspolitik aus soziologischer Sicht

*Die zunehmend spürbaren Effekte einer globalen Klima- und Ressourcenkrise verdeutlichen, dass unsere historisch gewachsenen Konsum- und Produktionsmuster ökologisch nicht zukunftsfähig sind. Dies gilt in besonderem Maße auch für das Feld der Mobilität. Doch unter welchen Voraussetzungen erscheint es möglich, einen Umbau in Richtung einer sozial und ökologisch nachhaltigen Mobilität zu schaffen? Der Vortrag argumentiert, dass hierzu ein vielschichtiges Verständnis für die Entstehung, Reproduktion und Veränderung von Mobilitätspraktiken als soziokultureller Prozess notwendig ist. Ausgehend von theoretischen Konzeptionen von „Mobilitätskultur“ und sozio-technischen Transformationsprozessen zeigt der Vortrag potentielle Ansatzpunkte für eine beschleunigte Wandlungsdynamik im Feld der Mobilität auf und diskutiert zugleich kritisch mögliche unintendierte Nebenfolgen bestimmter Transformationspfade.*

**ORT: Campus Westend, Hörsaalzentrum HZ10**

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