

LITERARY THEORY & CRITICISM RESOURCES

General Theory

[Some characteristics of contemporary theory](#)

[A checklist of theoretical concerns](#)

[Some Factors Affecting/Effecting the Reading of Texts](#)

[The Problem of Meaning](#)

[Contemporary Literary Theory \(article\)](#)

[The differences between Literary Criticism, Literary Theory, and 'theory itself'](#)

[Undergraduate Introduction to Critical Theory \(by Dino Felluga at Purdue University\)](#)

[Voice of the Shuttle: Literary Theory Page](#)

[Cultural Studies Critical Theory Works \(from The English Server at Carnegie Mellon\)](#)

[Yahoo's Criticism and Theory Links](#)

[UC Irvine Critical Theory Resource \(bibliographic\)](#)

[A Glossary of Rhetorical Terms With Examples \(U of Kentucky\)](#)

[On-Line Glossary of Theory and Criticism for the Visual Arts](#)

[Contemporary Theory, Critical Theory and Postmodern Thought at Colorado-Denver](#)

[Voice of the Shuttle Literary Theory page Alan Liu, UCSB](#)

[Cultural Studies and Critical Theory -- database of primary texts, well structured](#)

[Literary Resources--Theory Jack Lynch, University of Pennsylvania](#)

[Thinka-Links -- links to resources for Freud, Lacan, Zizek, Derrida, Bakhtin](#)

[The John Hopkins Guide to Literary Theory and Criticism \(limited access\)](#)

[David Miall's Reader Response site](#)

[Russ Hunt: On Literary Reading](#)

[Dino Fellugi's Undergraduate Guide to Literary Theory](#)

[Mary Klages' Modern Critical Thought](#)

[Introduction to Literary Theory and Criticism Barry Laga, Mesa State College](#)

[A Brief History of Literary Theory by Chris Lang, at Xenos Christian Fellowship.](#)

[Lawyers and Literature, James R. Elkins; a course at West Virginia University](#)

[Literary and Critical Theory at Brown](#) George Landow
[On the Teaching of Literary Theory](#) -- article by D. G. Myers
[List of Critical Terms and Definitions](#) by Malcolm Hayward, University of Indiana
[Glossary of Literary Theory](#) by Greig E. Henderson and Christopher Brown
[A Glossary of Literary Criticism](#) at [The Literary Criticism Web](#)
Cumberland College
[Words of Art](#) a Glossary of Theory and Criticism of the Visual Arts, Robert J. Belton, Okanagan University College [A Lexicon of Literary Criticism](#)
[Swirl: Your Guide to Post-Millennial Paradigms](#) Warren Hedges, Southern Oregon U.
[A Guide to Theory on the Net](#) [under construction] from [Pulp Culture](#)
[Culture Machine: Generating Research in Theory and Culture](#) (on-line journal)
[Critical Approaches to Culture, Communications and Hypermedia](#) by Ron Burnett, Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design

Structuralism and Semiotics

[Elements of Structuralism](#)
[Summary of Genette, "Structuralism and Literary Criticism"](#)
[Grand Theory: a Mini-Guide to Structuralism and Hermeneutics](#)
(Cambridge Classics)
[Semiotics](#) (with links to Peirce, Saussure, and Barthes)
[Bakhtin Links](#) at [the Bakhtin Center](#) (U. of Sheffield)
[Ferdinand de Saussure Overview](#) (Mary Klages, U of Colorado)
[Claude Levi-Strauss Overview](#) (Mary Klages, U of Colorado)
[David Arnason's Background Materials: Formalist and Structuralist Ideas](#)
[Sites of Significance for Semiotics](#)

Poststructuralism, including Deconstruction

[Some Poststructuralist Assumptions](#)
[Deconstruction: Some Assumptions](#)
[notes on différance](#)
[Synopsis of J. Hillis Miller, "The Critic as Host"](#)
Examples of deconstructive reading by J. Lye:

- [love poem](#)
- [Impediments](#)
- [Time is the only just power](#)

[The 'death of the author' as an instance of theory](#)

[Roland Barthes Web Page](#)

[An Essay on Barthes' "From Work to Text" by Lisa Smith](#)

["Readerly and Writerly Texts"](#)

[Derrida Links](#)

[More Derrida Links](#)

[Jacques Derrida: "Structure, Sign, and Play in the Discourse of the Human Sciences": A Reading Guide](#) by Prof. Mary Klages, U of Colorado

[Links on Jacques Derrida](#)

[Foucault Links](#) (Voice of the Shuttle)

[Foucault: The Legacy](#) - Contains information and resources on Michel Foucault and research inspired by his work.

[POWER/KNOWLEDGE, SOCIETY, AND TRUTH: Notes on the Work of Michel Foucault, Mathieu Deflem](#)

[The World of Michel Foucault](#)

[The Foucault Web Page](#)

[Foucaultian Links](#)

[Texts by and About Foucault](#)

[Deconstruction Links](#) (Voice of the Shuttle)

[Post-Structuralist Approaches](#)

[Structuralist Approaches](#)

[Structuralism/Post-Structuralism](#) by Prof. Mary Klages, U of Colorado

[Using Deconstruction to Astonish Friends & Confound Enemies \(In Two Easy Steps!\)](#)

Prof. Warren Hedges, Southern Oregon University

Postmodern Theory and Culture Links

[A Dictionary of Postmodern Terms](#) A growing dictionary of terms useful in reading postmodern works. The dictionary is maintained for a listserv for Postmodern Therapies

[The University of Colorado's Contemporary Philosophy, Critical Theory and Postmodern Thought](#) page--a truly fabulous collections of links including links on specific theorists such as Theodor Adorno, Louis Althusser, Roland Barthes, Michael Bakhtin, Jean Baudrillard, Walter Benjamin, Maurice

Blanchot, Kenneth Burke, Jacques Derrida, Gilles Deleuze, Terry Eagleton, Stanley Fish, Michel Foucault, Frankfurt School, Felix Guattari, Jurgen Habermas, Donna Haraway, Martin Heidegger, Max Horkheimer, Edmund Husserl, Fredric Jameson, Jacques Lacan, Jean Francois Lyotard, Georg Lukács, Paul de Man, Herbert Marcuse, Karl Marx, Maurice Merleau-Ponty, Richard Rorty, Edward Said, Charles Taylor, Ludwig Wittgenstein

Posmodernism and its Critics

Central ideas/ terminology of Postmodernism

Panic Encyclopedia - The online edition of a book by Arthur Kroker, Marilouise Kroker, and David Cook. Postmodern ideas in alphabetical order.

Postmodernism, by Prof. Mary Klages, U of Colorado

Towards a Moderate Postmodernism - A sincere and thorough attempt to reshape postmodernism.

Defining Postmodernism - Postmodernism seen as the reversal of modernist individuality, by James Morley.

Post Modernism or post-Post Modernism? A very cool site with lots o' links by Jon Mattox

Advertising and the Invention of Postmodernity" America isn't a postmodern society. It just plays one on television. This essay takes a kind of Marxist slant on the forms of alienation inherent in an image-based society.

George P. Landow's (of Brown University) extensive Hypertext, Cyberspace and Critical Theory site. Besides being very cool, it contains extensive links on hypertext theory, the body, cyberspace, cyborgs, digital art, anime, etc. A collection of more than 7,000 interlinked materials.

PopCultures.com's Pomo Theorists and Critics A top notch/primordial/FABULOUS collection of links on pomo ideas and theorists

Rhetorical and Cultural Studies: Critical Theory Authors Theorist links-- includes pictures:)

CTheorists another nice collection of critical theorist links

Links about Jean Baudrillard

Deleuze and Guattari resources - Jon Beasley-Murray of the University of Aberdeen presents a list of links with some biographical information.

Links on Henry Giroux

Links on Donna Haraway

bell hooks's Home page

Links on Frederick Jameson

The Hydra at the University of Minnesota - Articles about, and analysis of, Artuad, Foucault, Derrida, and Lacan. By Peter Krapp.

pHilosophy: your guide to the wonderful world of (post)modern thinking (16 gazillion links to pomo theorists)

[Postmodernism and Its Critics](#) - Comprehensive introduction created by, and intended for, undergraduate students.

[Postmodern Thought](#) - Very extensive links to contemporary philosophy, critical theory and postmodern thought, from the University of Colorado at Denver School of Education

[The Postmodernism Generator](#), Random on-line generation of postmodernist speak. A parody of the postmodern school of academic writing. (written by Andrew C. Bulhak using the Dada Engine)

[Representations Online](#) - A quarterly journal in the humanities and interpretive social sciences, published by the University of California Press.

[Everything Postmodern](#) - Eclectic collection of articles. Links to other postmodernism sites.

[Jean Baudrillard's Postmodern Saloon](#) - Postmodern portal with discussions, news and links.

[Dear Habermas](#) - Undergraduate Journal on postmodern and critical thought, with special focus on Habermas.

[Dr. Guterman's Postmodern Club Band](#) - Parody of The Beatles' album with the heads of postmodernists in mental health and philosophy as an image map linking related sites.

[The Qualitative Report](#) - An online journal of qualitative research and critical inquiry.

[Undercurrent](#) - Online journal for interdisciplinary pop culture analysis.

[Postmodernism](#) - Philosophy research base at Erratic Impact.

[Postmodern Village](#) a "theoretical(ly)" fun website games, zines, a little hard theory mixed in Transparency Now's [Site on Simulation and Postmodern Society](#)

Psychoanalytic Theory

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[Psychoanalysis and Freud](#) (Mary Klages, U of Colorado)

[Jacques Lacan Overview](#) (Mary Klages, U of Colorado)

[Jacques Lacan Link](#)

[Theories of the Mind](#) -- Freud, Jung, Lacan, at Birmingham

[Lacanian Links](#) - Timothy Leuers' links to bibliographies, forums, personal pages, journals, groups, courses, books and lists

Reader-Response

[The Interpretive Turn](#)

[Some Principles of Phenomenological Hermeneutics](#)

[Reader-Response: Various Positions](#)

[Reader-Response Links](#) (Daniel Chandler)

[Wolfgang Iser](#)

Marxist Literary Theory

[The Marx-Engels Archive](#)

[Marxist Theory Links](#) (Voice of the Shuttle)

New Historicism

[New Historicism Explained](#) (Warren Hedges)

Feminism

[Intro to Feminism](#) (Mary Klages, U of Colorado)

[Gender Studies Resources](#) (Voice of the Shuttle)

[Feminism and Women's Studies Resources](#) (the English Server at CMU)

[Helene Cixous and "The Laugh of the Medusa"](#) (Mary Klages, U of Colorado)

[Fat!So?](#) Online zine "for people who don't apologize for their size"

[About Face](#) A San Francisco based group that combats negative and distorted images of women. Very smart--hysterically tragic "gallery of offenders" from the media; lots of great statistics re: women/their bodies/the media

[The Feminist Theory Website](#) provides research materials and information for students, activists, and scholars. Resources for over 30 different fields in feminism. Hosted by Center for Digital Discourse and Culture at Virginia Tech University.

[Feminist Theory and Feminist Jurisprudence on the WWW](#)

[Literary Resources -- Feminism and Women's Literature](#) Rutgers University, contains links to sites specifically on women's literature, feminist criticism, and gender studies.

[Science Fiction and Feminism on the Web](#)

[Feminist Film Criticism: A Guide to Library and Web Resources](#), compiled by Sara Brownmiller of the University of Oregon Library.

[University of Kentucky's collection](#) of several hundred Feminism and Women's Studies links

[University of Chicago Center for Gender Studies'](#) a nice collection of academic research links.

[Women's Studies / Women's Issues Resource Sites](#) is a selective, annotated,

highly acclaimed listing of web sites containing resources and information about women's studies / women's issues, with an emphasis on sites of particular use to an academic women's studies program.

[Documents from the Women's Liberation Movement An On-line Archival Collection](#), Duke University: Document various aspects of the Women's Liberation Movement in the United States, and focus specifically on the radical origins of this movement during the late 1960s and early 1970s. Items range from radical theoretical writings to humourous plays to the minutes of an actual grassroots group

[FeMiNa](#) a comprehensive WWW-based directory about women and girls online. Search for topics. Extensive table of contents.

Yahoo!'s links on [Women's studies](#), and [Gender Issues](#)

[Feminist Activist Resources on the Net](#)

[Feminism.com](#)

[Women's Studies \(R\)E-sources on the Web](#): Duke University, includes links for Women's History Links, Archives and Collections, Women's Resources on the Web, and Women's Organizations

[National Organization for Women \(NOW\)](#)

[Bio-Feminism Web Resources](#)

[The 3rd WWWave: Feminism for the New Millenium](#)

[Sexing the Political: A Journal of Third Wave Feminists on Sexuality](#)

["Surfing the Third Wave: A Dialogue Between Two Third Wave Feminists"](#) in *Hypatia*

[Conservative Women's Studies - booklist](#)

Post-Colonial Studies

[Post-Colonial Theory Links](#) (from Voice of the Shuttle)

[Postcolonial Studies Page](#) at Emory University

Miscellany

[Close Reading vs Cultural Studies](#)

[Some Attributes of Modernist Literature](#)

[Some Cultural Forces Driving Modernism](#)

[Some Attributes of Post-Modernist Literature](#)

Journals

[Applied Semiotics](#)

[Critical Inquiry](#)

CTheory

Cultronix

Metaphor and Symbol

October Postmodern Culture

Reader Online