

GEOG 4712: Political Geography



Lecture 2:

Geographies of 'the State', Arguments from Nature, and 'How to Avoid the Territorial Trap'

outline

1. administrative
2. ages
3. determinism
4. territoriality
5. sovereignty
6. traps
7. states
8. regimes
9. discourses
10. determinisms



Key questions and Conceptual links: scales, sovereigns, states,

- What is the role of 'displacement' if the 'placement' of people is a major feature of statecraft? What are the lessons from past episodes and how are they comparable?
- How are territoriality and sovereignty contained historically? What will the future hold?
- How does 'power' work in space and across societies? What attributes does it assume? Where are its sources/origins?
- How is state power discursively and practically produced?