

I. Conference: 25th Anniversary of the Fernand Braudel Center

The Modern World-System in the *Longue Durée*
A Conference to Celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Fernand
Braudel Center
November 2-3, 2001

Friday, November 2

9:15- 9:30

Welcome:

Immanuel Wallerstein, Director, Fernand Braudel Center
Lois De Fleur, President, Binghamton University

9:30-12:30

1. *Trajectory of the World-System: Order Out of Chaos?*

ch: Immanuel Wallerstein (Fernand Braudel Center)

Samir Amin (Forum du Tiers-Monde, Dakar): "Globalism, or Apartheid on a Global Scale?"

Chris Chase-Dunn (Institute for Research on World-Systems, Univ. of California, Riverside): "Through the Sticky Wicket(s) and on to Global Socialism"

Bart Tromp (Political Science, Leiden Univ.): "Europe: Integration or Dissolution?"

2:30-5:30

2. *Changing Structures of Knowledge: The Two Cultures in Question?*

ch: Richard Lee (Fernand Braudel Center)

Randall Collins (Sociology, Univ. of Pennsylvania): "Commonality and Divergence of World Intellectual Structures in the Second Millennium C.E."

Mahmood Mamdani (Institute of African Studies, Columbia Univ.): "Area Studies and Local Knowledge in the Post-Cold War Era"

Boaventura de Sousa Santos (Centro de Estudos Sociais, Univ. Coimbra): "The Not-Yet: Toward a Sociology of Absences and a Theory of Translation"

7:30-10:30

3. *Opening the Social Sciences: Scholarship and Reality, 1945-2000*

ch: Heinz Sonntag (CENDES, Venezuela)

Janet Abu-Lughod (Sociology, New School University, Emerita):
"Peripheral Vision and the End of American Provincial Scholarship"

Maurice Aymard (Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris): "Does One Represent Reality or Does One Explain It?"

Immanuel Wallerstein (Fernand Braudel Center): "The Scholarly Mainstream and Reality: Are We at a Turning-Point?"

Saturday, November 3

9:00-12

4. *Creating and Transforming Households: Class, Gender, and Race*

ch: William G. Martin (Fernand Braudel Center)

Joan Smith (Sociology, Univ. of Vermont): "Gender and Race in the World-System: What Changes in the Last 25 Years?"

Michel-Rolph Trouillot (Anthropology, Univ. of Chicago): "Race, Class, and Gender: The Particular Histories of Universal Categories"

Claudia von Werlhof (Political Science, Univ. Innsbruck): "Using, Producing, and Replacing Life: Alchemy as Theory and Practice in Capitalism"

1:30-4:30

5. *Antisystemic Movements: Past Tendencies, Future Prospects*

ch: Melvyn Dubofsky (Fernand Braudel Center)

Giovanni Arrighi (Sociology, Johns Hopkins Univ.): "Antisystemic Movements and Gramsci's 'Piedmontese Function'"

Pablo González-Casanova (Instituto de Investigaciones Sociales, Univ. Nacional Autónoma de México): "Present Systemic Trends and Antisystemic Movements"

Marcel van der Linden (Internationaal Instituut voor Sociale Geschiedenis, Amsterdam): "'Proletarian Internationalism': A Long View and Some Speculations"

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II. Research Working Groups

a) *Trio of RWGs - Crisis in the World-System:*

We have established three linked Research Working Groups under the overall title of "Crisis in the World-System: Options and Possibilities." The Fernand Braudel Center has completed in recent years a major project on trends in the world-system, which resulted in a pair of books - *The Age of Transition: Trajectory of the World-System, 1945-2025* (1996), and *Chaos and Governance in the Modern World System* (1999). We have also been studying the structures of knowledge, serving as the Secretariat of the Gulbenkian Commission, which resulted in the publication of *Open the Social Sciences* (1996), and we are completing now a follow-up project. And we have had a long-standing interest in antisystemic movements which resulted in publications in 1989 and 1995.

We have combined these three interests in this new project on long-term world-systemic change and prospects for the near future. We have organized three separate but intellectually integrated Research Working Groups (RWGs) to study (a) structural trends in capital accumulation in the capitalist world-economy; (b) structuring and restructuring of the social sciences; (c) waves of antisystemic movements. The project is coordinated jointly by Immanuel Wallerstein, Richard Lee, and William G. Martin, who are respectively responsible for the three groups. We are continuing the work, as outlined in Newsletter No. 24.

We have entered into agreements with three research institutions to collaborate on this work, each for one of the three segments of the project: (a) Globalization and World Cities Research Group and Network (GaWC), whose headquarters is at the Department of Geography, Loughborough University (U.K.), and whose principal investigator in this project is Peter J. Taylor, Co-Director of GaWC; (b) Centro de Estudios de Desarrollo of the Universidad Central de Venezuela (CENDES), whose principal investigator is Heinz R. Sonntag, former Director of CENDES; (c) the Centre d'Analyse et d'Intervention Sociologique (CADIS) at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales in Paris, whose principal investigator is Michel Wieviorka, Director of CADIS.

b) *China-India RWG:*

A new RWG is being started under the leadership of Ravi Palat, Senior Research Associate of the Center. It will seek to do a long-term systematic comparison of the social, economic, and political trajectories of China and India. The group intends to compare the situation at three points in time: the period of formal or informal colonization, from the 1850s to 1945; the period during which the two countries attempted to create relatively autarchic economic structures ("socialism"), between 1947/49 and 1978/84/91; and the period since 1978/84/91 of greater involvement in the world-economy via deregulation, liberalization, and

privatization.

c) Structures of Knowledge RWG - The Two Cultures:

This RWG was conceived as a follow-up to the Report of the Gulbenkian Commission. It sought to analyze the historical origin of the concept of the two cultures, its institutionalization in the structures of knowledge, and the challenges put forward to its epistemology since the 1960's. The manuscript is being edited and should be completed in the fall of 2001.

III. Research Project, "The Dilemmas of Self-Determination in Africa"

In partnership with the Institute for Global Cultural Studies, the Fernand Braudel Center has received a multi-year grant from the Carnegie Corporation for a study on the impact of inherited colonial boundaries and identities in Africa. The Principal Investigators are Ricardo Larement and William Martin. The research involves four case studies, with local studies and surveys in each site under the guidance of a senior scholar: Ethiopia (Edmond Keller), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Herbert Weiss), Sierra Leone (Ibrahim Abdullah), and Sudan (Frances Deng). The principle concern is to assess the network of local affiliations and identities, and their colonial roots, and to evaluate the impact of these identities on the prospects for stability and peace in the framework of the contemporary world-system.

IV. Working Group on Coloniality

This group has been functioning for four years under the leadership of Kelvin Santiago. It continues to concentrate presently on (a) comparative colonialisms and (b) the production and transformation of knowledge versus the knowledge of production. On May 3-5, 2001 its held its fourth large conference. After extensive evaluation, the work of the group has been reorganized so as to generate a more coherent collective research agenda. This evaluation included several invited external speakers who presented how their research had implications for the Coloniality Working Group's new agenda. For the third year in a row, the group was awarded funding as a Harpur College Workshop.

V. Conferences

a) Colloquium, Coloniality Working Group, May 3-5, 2001.

Participants include Dale Tomich (Binghamton), Kelvin Santiago Valles (Binghamton), Jose Amador (Michigan), Saulo Colon

(CUNY Graduate Center), Lena Delgado de Torres (Binghamton). Fati Fan (Binghamton), Frank Gurridy (Michigan), Lindah M'Hando (Binghamton), Beatriz Ramirez (Michigan), Israel Silva-Merced (Binghamton), Vandana Swami (Binghamton), Greg Thomas (No. Carolina). The conference was co-sponsored by Dean of Arts & Sciences, Graduate Students Organization, Dean of Graduate Studies, Convocations Committee, Sociology, Graduate Students Union, English, MECA, PEGO, Comparative Literature Graduate Students, PIC Graduate Students, Institute of Global Cultural Studies, Africana Studies, History, School of Education & Human Development, and the LACAS Program.

b) *(co-sponsored) "Islam and Africa: Global, Cultural and Historical Perspectives," April 19-22, 2001.*

The conference was organized by the Institute of Global Cultural Studies. Other co-sponsors were the Center for Research in Translation, Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Center on Democratic Performance, the School of Education & Human Development, Office of the Provost, Graduate Student Organization, Africana Studies, Political Science, History, and Romance Languages and Literatures.

VI. Archives

The archives of the Fernand Braudel Center from its inception to 1995 have been deposited with the Library of Binghamton University, and are available to scholars doing research under the usual conditions specified by the University.

VII. PEWS

a) *PEWS XXV: Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, April 19-21, 2001.*

The theme of the conference, organized by Wilma Dunaway, was "The World-System in the 21st Century." The program was:

Keynote Address: Immanuel Wallerstein, "The End of the World As We Know It: The Intellectual in an Age of Transition"

First Theme: Systemic Crises and Antisystemic Resistance

Session I: Crises and Resistance of the World's Women and Children

Chyong-fang Ko (Academia Sinica, Taiwan) and Han-pi Change (I-Shou University, Taiwan), "Is the 21st Century World Economy a Passport to Development or to Sexual Exploitation?"

Thomas J. Burns, Jeffrey D. Kentor (Univ. of Utah), & Andrew Jorgensen (Univ. of California, Riverside), "Environmental Degradation and Infant Mortality in Developing Countries: A World-System Perspective"

Torry D. Dickinson (Kansas State Univ.), "The Feminist Face of Democracy and Equality: Global Movements that Challenge the World-System"

Session II: Survival and Resistance by Indigenous Peoples

Thomas D. Hall (DePauw Univ.), "Using the Past to Discover the Futures of Indigenous Peoples"

Kathleen Pickering (Colorado State Univ.) "The Dynamics of Everyday Incorporation: Lakota Culture in the 21st Century"

Kinuthia Macharia (American Univ.), "Resistant Indigenous Identities in the 21st Century World-System: Selected African States"

Session III: Crises of 21st Century Cities

Eric Slater (Manhattanville College), "The Return of the Capitalist City: Global Urbanism in the 21st Century"

Bruce Stanley (Univ. of Exeter, U.K.), "'Going Global' and Wannabe World Cities: (Re) Conceptualizing Regionalism in the Middle East"

Robert G. Dyck & Wei Huang (Virginia Tech), "Integration of China's Pearl River Delta into the World-Economy: 21st Century Crises Associated with Hyper-Urbanization"

Session IV: Labor and Labor Solidarity in the 21st Century World-System

Kelvin Santiago-Valles (Binghamton Univ.), "Reconceptualizing Racially-Depreciated Labor within the Current Phase of Globalization: The Puerto Rican 'Case'"

Tim Ricker (Univ. of Maryland) and Dale Wimberley (Virginia Tech), "Internal Dynamics and External Activity of a Movement Network during Intense Mobilization: The Case of the Global Campaign for Nicaraguan Maquila Worker Rights, 1999-2000"

Aslihan Aykac (Binghamton Univ.), "Labor's Response to Early 21st Century Globalization"

Session V: Crises at the Periphery

Trichur K. Ganesh (Southampton College), "Capitalist Globalization and Third World Liberalization in the 21st Century"

Taimoon Steward (Univ. of the West Indies), "Debt and Resurrection: A Prognosis for the Periphery in the 21st Century"

Ana Isla (Univ. of Toronto, Canada), "Economic and Ecological War against the Poor: The Debt Crisis and Debt-for-Nature Investment in Costa Rica"

Second Theme: Looking Toward the Future

Session VI: New Theoretical Directions

Victor Roudometof (Washington & Lee Univ.), "Globalization and Competing Paradigms in World-Systems Analysis"

Jason W. Moore (Johns Hopkins Univ.), "The Modern World-System as Environmental History? Nature and Future of World-System Analysis"

Richard E. Lee (Binghamton Univ.), "Historical Social Science and the Epistemology of Political-Economic Agendas"

Session VII: World Cities and the Nation-State

David Smith (Univ. of California, Irvine) & Michael Timberlake (Kansas State Univ.), "Global Urban Hierarchies: Cities in the 21st Century World-System"

Denyz Yukseker-Yenal (Bilkent Univ., Turkey), "The Informal Economy in the 21st Century: From an Urban Enclave to a Transnational Market"

Trudy Coker (Florida Atlantic Univ.), "Unveiling the Weakness of the State in a Semiperipheral Country: The Venezuela Case"

Session VIII: The 21st Century World-System: How Different from the Past?

Satoshi Ikeda (Univ. of Alberta, Canada), "Second Phase of the East Asian Miracle: Accumulation, Governance, and Resistance in the 21st Century World-System"

Emanuela Todeva (South Bank Univ., U.K.) & Haico Ebbers (Nyenrode Univ., Netherlands), "Integration of the Post-Communist Economies of Central and Eastern Europe into the 21st Century World-Economy"

Susan Manning (Johns Hopkins Univ.), "Financial Crisis and Control in the 21st Century World-System"

Session IX: Future Structures of Knowledge, Science and Technology

R. Warren Flint (Five E's Unlimited, Virginia), Richard C. Rich (Virginia Tech), and Kim Lamphier (Wildlife Habitat Council), "Sustainable Communities: Their Definition and Science Needs"

Maria Lucia Maciel (Univ. of Brasilia, Brazil), "The Scientific-Technological Revolution and Transformations in the 21st Century World-System"

Lauren Langman (Loyola Univ., Chicago), Douglas Morris & Jackie Zalewski, "Globalization, Domination and Cyberactivism"

Closing Plenary Session: The Future of World-Systems Analysis

Peter Taylor (Loughborough Univ., U.K.)

Heinz Sonntag (Central Univ. of Venezuela)

Charles Lemert (Wesleyan Univ.)
Respondent: Immanuel Wallerstein

b) PEWS XXVI, Univ. of California, Riverside

The theme of the 26th PEWS conference is "Hegemonic Declines: Present and Past." The conference will address the problems of conceptualizing and assessing hegemonic rise and decline in the modern world-system, especially comparing the current era with the earlier Dutch and British hegemonies. In addition, several sessions will be devoted to the study of hegemony in the early "Central System" in the Western Asian/Eastern Mediterranean region from 1500 to 700 BC. Scholars wishing to present papers on these topics should send paper titles and brief abstracts to: Christopher Chase-Dunn, IROWS, College Building South, University of California, Riverside, CA 92521, chriscd@mail.ucr.edu; Eugene Anderson, Anthropology, University of California, Riverside, CA 92521, gene@ucrac1.ucr.edu and Jonathan Friedman, Anthropology, University of Lund, Sweden, jonathan.friedman@soc.lu.se. The deadline for paper proposals is January 15, 2002.

VIII. Culture Colloquia

a) "Culture and the World-System"

This colloquium, co-sponsored for many years by Fernand Braudel Center and Institute of Global Cultural Studies, had its sunset year in 2000, concluding on the theme, "The Idiom of Identity: Reformulating the Arts for the New Millennium."

Robert Ostergard. "The Theft of Artistic and Cultural Property," March 2, 2000.

Lisa Yun & Thomas Glave. "Writing Transcultural Histories in Poetry and Fiction: Readings and Conversation," April 12, 2000.

Isidore Okpewho. "Walcott, Homer and the Black Atlantic," April 27, 2000.

Leslie Heywood. "Re-thinking Critical Theory in Light of International Debates Regarding Women's Sports," September 28, 2000.

Carrol Coates. "Fiction Informed by Popular Culture: Jacques Stephen Alexis's, *General Sun, My Brother*," November 16, 2000.

Warren Wagar. "The Next Art: A Coming Shift in Aesthetic Polarity," November 30, 2000.

We thank Anthony King and Ali Mazrui, the co-organizers of this stimulating series, for their efforts over the past decade.

b) *"The 'Two Cultures' and the World-System"*

The Center is now launching a new colloquium, under the leadership of Richard E. Lee, Senior Research Associate of the Center. It is intended to continue discussion on the themes launched by the Gulbenkian Report and the "Two Cultures" Research Working Group, whose work is now being concluded.

Beginning in 2001-2002, the nature of the socio-cultural processes of the world-system will be addressed by this colloquium, with a commitment to reaching across the disciplines. The format will be to have a pair of presentations matching speakers from different disciplines in a series of "Encounters". The first year's program is being supported by the Dean of Arts and Sciences as a Harpur College Workshop.

IX. *Harpur College Workshops*

a) *Race & Gender in the World-System*

This workshop was organized by William G. Martin, Deputy Director of the FBC, during 2001-2001. The presentations were:

Rod Bush, St. John's Univ. "Overcoming the American Dream: Black Power and the World-System," Oct. 12, 2000.

Gerald Horne, Univ. of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. "The Asiatic Black Man? Japan and the 'Colored Races' Confront White Supremacy 1941-45," Oct. 26, 2000.

Richard Williams, Rutgers Univ. "Why the Category of Race Obscures Sociological Theorizing: A World-Systems Perspective," Nov. 21, 2000.

Horace Campbell, Syracuse Univ. "The End of the Patriarchal Model of Liberation: Lessons from Zimbabwe," Nov. 29, 2000.

Carolle Charles, Baruch College, CUNY. "Re-Visiting on 'Not Being Black Twice': The Response of Haitian and Caribbean Immigrants to the Racial Construction of U.S. Citizenship," Dec. 7, 2000.

Nancy Forsythe, Univ. of Maryland. "Feminist Analysis and World-Systems Analysis: Knowledge Production for/by Mutated Witnesses," Mar. 29, 2001

Shelley Feldman, Cornell Univ "The Construction of States and Citizens: The Bengal Partition as a Social Project," Apr. 24, 2001

Torry Dickinson, Kansas State Univ. "The Feminist Web: Antisystemic Movements in the World Today," Apr. 25, 2001

b) Segmented Worlds, Fragmented Knowledge

This workshop for 2001-2002 is organized by Ravi A. Palat, Senior Research Associate of the Center. The premise of the workshop is that, despite the greater economic, social, and cultural integration of the world, theoretical studies remain steadfastly rooted in narrow Euro-North American referential bases. By making ethnic labeling unnecessary for studies of Euro-North Americans and mandatory for all others, it casts the Euro-North American pattern of social change as the norm against which all other patterns are measured as deformed and travestied variants. Simultaneously, it also conceptually refrigerates the cultural legacies of non-Westerners.

Moreover, while an increase in ethnic and cultural diversity in the United States had led to the institution of ethnic studies programs, until recently such programs have been institutionally separated from area studies. The workshop will explore the ways in which we can bridge the divide between area and ethnic studies, enabling us to see culture as the historical resolution of conflicts and as a contested, contingent, and dynamic process.

X. Review

The contents of vol. XXIV, 2001 were as follows:

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Braudel and the U.S.: *Interlocuteurs valables?*

I. The Heritage of Fernand Braudel

Immanuel Wallerstein, "Braudel and Interscience: A Preacher to Empty Pews?"

Maurice Aymard, "One Braudel or Several?"

Carlos A. Aguirre Rojas, "Braudel in Latin America and the U.S.: A Different Reception?"

II. Fernand Braudel and U.S. Foundations

Giuliana Gemelli, "U.S. Foundations and Braudel's Institution Building"

F.X. Sutton, "The Ford Foundation's Transatlantic Role and Purposes, 1951-81"

III. Fernand Braudel and U.S. Scholarship

Giovanni Arrighi, "Braudel, Capitalism, and the New Economic Sociology"

Jean Heffer, "Is the *Longue Durée* Unamerican?"

Anthony Molho, "Like Ships Passing in the Dark: Reflections on the Reception of *La Méditerranée* in the U.S."

Susan Mosher Stuard, "A Capital Idea: Pursuing Demand"

Steven Kaplan, "The 1960's: Was Braudel a Turning-Point?"

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Heinz Sonntag, Miguel A. Contreras & Javier Biarreau, "Development as Modernization and Modernity in Latin America"

Amiya Kumar Bagchi, "Fluctuations and Turbulence of the World-Economy"

Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, "Open the *Antisystemic Movements*: The Book, the Concept, and the Reality"

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Shelley Feldman, "Intersecting and Contesting Positions: Post-colonialism, Feminism, and World-Systems Theory"

Jonathan Leitner, "Red Metal in the Age of Capital: The Political Ecology of Copper in the Nineteenth-Century World-Economy"

Jose Itzigsohn, "World-Systems and Institutional Analysis - Tensions and Complementarities: The Cases of Costa Rica and the Dominican Republic"

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Ho-fung Hung, "Imperial China and Capitalist Europe in the Eighteenth-Century Global Economy"

Boris Stremelin, "Bounding Historical Systems: The Wallerstein-Frank Debate and the Role of Knowledge in World History"

Khaldoun Samman, "The Limits of the Classical Comparative Method"

XI. Visiting Research Associates

Jan.-Dec. 2001 - Kaveh Afrasiabi, independent researcher, Massachusetts

Sept.-Dec. 2000 - Soren Sorenson, Aalborg Univ., Denmark

Sept.-Dec. 2000 - Samar Zahrawi, Al-Baath Univ., Syria (in conjunction with CRIT/TRIP)

Dec. 2000-Oct. 2001 - Zheng Weimin, Institute of American Studies, Beijing, China

XII. Public Lectures

March 7, 2001 - Miriam Ching Louie (Asian Immigrant Women Advocates & The Women of Color Resource Center, Oakland, CA) & Margo Okazawa-Rey (Jane Watson Irwin Visiting Professor, Women's Studies Program, Hamilton College), "Empowering Immigrant Women," co-sponsored by The "Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Social Protest" Workshop, Sociology, and the Women's Studies Program.

May 2, 2001 - Herbert Bix (Professor of Social Science, Hitotsubashi Univ., author and Pulitzer Prize winner, *Hirohito and the Making of Modern Japan*), "War Crimes in the Twentieth Century," co-sponsored by Sociology, History, and Asian and Asian-American Studies.

May 3, 2001 - Neville Bennett (Economics, Canterbury Univ., New Zealand), "Long Waves: The Conjuncture of 1895 in New Zealand."

XIII. Report of the Gulbenkian Commission

The latest translation is into Finnish. We now have 23 editions in 20 languages. A Lithuanian edition is forthcoming.

XIV. Papers available on website

Immanuel Wallerstein, "Cultures in Conflict? Who are We? Who are the Others" Y.K. Pao Distinguished Chair Lecture, Center for Cultural Studies, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Sept. 20, 2000

Immanuel Wallerstein, "Democracy, Capitalism, and Transformation," Lecture at *Documenta 11*, Vienna, Mar. 16, 2001, in Sessions on *Demokratie als unvollendeter Prozess: Alternativen, Grenzen und Neue Horizonte*.

Immanuel Wallerstein, "A Left Politics for an Age of Transition" Talk at Socialist Scholars Conference, New York City, April 13, 2001

Immanuel Wallerstein, "Los intelectuales en una época de transición," Ponencia presentada en el Colóquio Internacional, *Economía, Modernidad y Ciencias Sociales*, organizado por varias Instituciones Académicas de Guatemala y de México, y celebrado en la Ciudad de Guatemala, en Guatemala, los días 27 al 30 de marzo de 2001.

Immanuel Wallerstein, "Intellectuals in an Age of Transition" presented at 25th annual Political Economy of the World-System Conference, Blacksburg VA, April 2001

XV. *Other*

The Director, Immanuel Wallerstein, received a doctorate, *honoris causa*, from the Univ. of Bucharest on May 10, 2001.

XVI. *What's in a Name?*

In Newsletter No. 17, we shared with you the fantastic misspellings of various components of the name of the center and the name of the university. Eight years later, the pattern continues irrepressibly. Here are some that weren't used in the first 17 years.

First name - Fernand

Fernad
Ferninand
Fernend
Frenand

Second name - Braudel

Blaudiel (this from a Chinese source)
Boraudel
Boulauder
Braucel
Braudela
Brauden
Braudeo

Full name - Fernand Braudel Center

Ferdinand B Center
Fern & Brandel Center

Name of university - Binghamton Univ. or SUNY-Binghamton

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Binghampon
Binghaton
Binghennton
Biningham

AND GRAND PRIZE: Funny Binghamton