

Violent bodies/violated bodies

PO3A7: Term 1, Week 9 Seminar

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Where do military violences take place?

What does this do to understandings of where 'war' and 'peace' are located?

Ten Reasons Not To Write Your Master's Dissertation on Sexual Violence in War

Do you agree?

What are the ethical problems of studying sexual violence and war?

Can you examine your motivation to take this course in light of this blog post?

- How are gender, race and sexuality produced by and (re)productive of military violence?

- "Understanding that the filthiness of male bonding (no matter how 'gross') actually, ultimately only served to reinforce male power and domination at the Academy (as a prelude to a male-dominated military force as whole), female cadets blew the whistle." (Belkin, 92)
- To what extent has normalised sexual violence in the military structured the troops' identities and sustained their becoming obedient warriors?

Next week

- Browse the American Civil Liberties Union's (ACLU) report on the militarisation of US police forces, *War Comes Home*. What does the report tell us about race, militarism and violence in the contemporary US? How can the violences documented in this report be understood as part of global politics?
- An overview with infographics of the report can be found here: <https://www.aclu.org/issues/criminal-law-reform/reforming-police/war-comes-home?redirect=war-comes-home-excessive-militarization-american-policing>