

# Transversalism

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Transversalism "is identified by its being founded on an evolutionary move into a post-capitalist network of democratically governed relatively autonomous alternative systems, and by the strong aspiration to build meaningful common (shared) ideological and political action orientations that transcend counterproductive divisions among transformative movements. It seeks an accommodative mode of social consciousness centered on a common ground for dialogue, collective learning, and concrete action among multiple progressive identities and ideological visions within the field of transformative movement praxes. Transversalism grounds its interpretation of cosmopolitanist values on recognizing but not being limited to local, grassroots, and communal particularities. It aims at consolidating political coalitions and ideational accommodation between social groups on both a class and a non-class basis. Therefore, it does not imply uniformity, a general theory of social emancipation and the collapse of differences, autonomies and local identities. This requires an attitude of openness and the intention of exchanging mutual experiences (via engagement of Self with Others) and ideas across a variety of local fields of transformative movements of resistance.

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