

Graduate School Global and Area Studies

Course Programme winter term 2023/24

FORSCHUNGSSEMINARE / RESEARCH SEMINARS

[registrations for research seminars: phd@uni-leipzig.de]

LECTURERS	KATJA CASTRYCK-NAUMANN / MARTIN BAUCH (GWZO) AND GUESTS
SEMINAR	EASTERN EUROPE GLOBALLY IN PAST AND PRESENT
TIME	THURSDAY, 11 AM – 1 PM
PLACE	SEMINAR BUILDING, ROOM S 326

(recommended for first year PhD candidates)

The seminar offers an introduction to the research program of the GSGAS through a comprehensive exploration of Eastern Europe as a globally connected region in past and present. We present empirical knowledge, conceptual tools and research debates regarding Eastern Europe that are also instructive for the study of other regions and areas. We combine perspectives from area studies and global history by focusing on interdisciplinary work and by following a long-durée approach (which contextualizes the “global condition” in longer processes of connectedness). A central aim of the seminar is to outline an understanding of the “global” as an analytical category that enables to investigate the many scales of Eastern Europe’s entangled histories (e.g. local, national, imperial, regional, intercultural, or international). This is being done through the study of seven broad topical fields for which we selected readings that deal with different historical periods and make use of different methodologies. This seminar is taught by a team of scholars who bring in their expertise on the respective topic. That way, we offer an introduction to ongoing research on Eastern Europe as a global region which gives inspiration for the study of other parts of the world and for inquiries in global history/studies.

Requirements:

- Participants are asked to attend regularly and to participate actively in the seminar based on the reading of the selected texts (provided in moodle).
- In addition, we ask each PhD candidate to write one response paper. This paper shall engage with the obligatory readings of a particular session and discuss potential inspirations for their planned thesis. The length shall be a maximum of two pages. The paper should be made available to everyone in the joint work file (@yopad) which aims to document the seminar. Response papers are due until Mondays before the respective session to allow everyone to read and to add comments beforehand.
- Finally, PhD candidates will prepare a short essay of 5-7 pages plus bibliography referring to a key concept, research field, or a any topic from our seminar. It should be a text that is useful for you and that allows us to assess whether you have picked up the inputs from the seminar. The paper is due March 15, 2024.

1. Session – 12 October 2023: Introduction - Getting to Know: Participants, Teaching Team, Seminar Programm (M. Bauch, K. Castryck & Teaching Team)

2. Session – 19 October 2023: Eastern Europe’s Connectedness across Periods (M. Bauch, K. Castryck)

3. Session – 26 October 2023: Eastern Europe as a Global Region (M. Bauch, K. Castryck)
4. Session – 9 November 2023: Economy and Trade (C. Geering, U. Müller)
5. Session – 23 November 2023: Environment and Resources (M. Bauch, T. Schönfelder)
6. Session – 7 December 2023: Migration and Mobilities (J. Heyde, M. Röger)
7. Session – 14 December 2023: Violent Conflict and International Law (A. Skordos)
8. Session – 4 January 2024: Memory Cultures and Politics of the Past (S. Stach, A. Bartetzky)
9. Session – 18 January 2024: Arts (B. Hock)
10. Session – 1 February 2024: »The Danube just flowed on« – Literature, Translation, Untranslatability in East-Central European Context (S. Krause)

LECTURERS	GILAD BEN-NUN / MEGAN MARUSCHKE (GESI)
SEMINAR	HOW TO STRUCTURE A PHD THESIS?
TIME	THURSDAY, 1 PM – 4 PM, 12 OCT (1:15 PM – 2:45 PM), 30 NOV, 7 DEC, 18 JAN, 1 FEB
PLACE	GESI, 3.15

(recommended for second and third year PhD candidates)

This course is designed to assist PhD candidates in confronting the challenges inherent to structuring doctoral thesis, and in the handling of their gathered research materials. Different forms of structure (systematic and/or chronological) will be discussed, highlighting their respective strengths and weaknesses. Disciplinary differences as well as divergent scientific cultures and their impact on the structuring of research papers shall also be discussed together. The primary objective of the seminar is to support PhD candidates in choosing the most appropriate structure for their research, and in formulating correctly their research question and its sub-questions and thus in taking the central step on the way to writing their thesis. Each week, different participants shall present written chapters of their work. During each week, peer reviews from within the seminar shall be assigned as concomitant readers of that week's proposed participant's text, upon which they shall formulate a sheet of constructive criticisms, underscoring what works, and what is less convincing in the papers they read. The course is intended for PhD candidates in their 2nd and 3rd years of doctoral studies.

LECTURERS	MICHEL ESPAGNE / ANTJE DIETZE / MATTHIAS MIDDELL / ANNE SAADA / NINJA STEINBACH-HÜTHER AND GUESTS (ENS / RE-CENTGLOBE / IFL)
SEMINAR	CULTURAL TRANSFER – TRANSNATIONAL SEMINAR AND TUTORIAL
TIME	FRIDAYS, 10 AM – 12 PM (GUEST LECTURES) OR 11AM – 12 PM (Q&A SESSIONS) – ALL ONLINE

Website <https://research.uni-leipzig.de/transfertsculturels/en/cultural-transfer/>

(open for all stages of PhD training)

The study of intercultural transfers has been one of the main methodological contributions of researchers at the Global and European Studies Institute, the Graduate School Global and Area Studies and the Research Centre Global Dynamics at Leipzig University to the investigation and interpretation of global and transregional entanglements. This has been put in place in a more than thirty years long cooperation with the research group around Michel Espagne at the Ecole Normale Supérieure in Paris, which found its expression in a series of conferences and workshops as well as many joint research projects and publications. Since the winter term 2020/21, this portfolio of exceptionally close collaboration has been enlarged to a joint virtual research seminar offered in a monthly rhythm by both institutions together. Since the beginning of 2023, the seminar forms part of the teaching programme of the Franco-German graduate school "Cultural Transfers", operated by the Ecole Normale Supérieure-PSL and Leipzig University and funded by the Franco-German University.

The transnational seminar consists of lectures by invited international scholars on specific examples from their ongoing research (the full program will be available on the seminar's website, see above). These sessions are held in French, English, or German. The thread running through the seminar is the question of the vectors that explain and promote the different cultural circulations in space and time, and the resemantizations that necessarily accompany such circulations across borders and boundaries of cultural spheres. The topics dealt with are deliberately varied in order to encourage contacts between disciplines and methodological discussions. One unifying theme is the transnational history and the epistemology of the humanities. Overall, the aim is to make participants familiar with an approach that is both a methodological perspective and a specific theoretical foundation of the investigation of border-crossing phenomena.

For students and PhD-candidates enrolled in the MA "Global Studies", the MA "European Studies", the PhD-program "Global and Area Studies" as well as the Franco-German graduate school, we offer access to this transnational research seminar and add to its sessions a tutorial. The tutorial is offered in English. It gives an introduction to intercultural transfer research with pre-recorded video lectures (in English, held by Matthias Middell), selected readings (in English with additional facultative texts in French and German) and online Q+A-sessions which invite participants to debate with the lecturers. This allows for a systematic overview of the complex relationship between intercultural transfer research, transnational history, and transregional studies.

Overall, the transnational seminar and tutorial program for the winter term 2023/24 contains 4 two-hours long seminar sessions with guest lectures, 4 pre-recorded video lectures (about 20 minutes each) and 4 one-hour long Q+A sessions. A list of selected readings allows participants to deepen their understanding of the topic and to prepare for their term papers. Within the MA programs mentioned above, the course serves as methodological training in preparation of the master's thesis. Students are required to submit an essay which follows the general rules for essay writing at GESI. For participants from the Graduate School the requirement is a 10-12 pages long paper that relates the approach of intercultural transfers to the specific topic of their dissertation.

Please register for this course via email to Dr. Ninja Steinbach-Hüther (N_Steinbachhuether@leibniz-ifl.de) and Dr. Antje Dietze (adietze@uni-leipzig.de) until October 10, 2023. You will then get access to the sessions (via zoom) and to the moodle course with the teaching material.

DATES:

- optional: September 29, 2023 (guest lectures, 10 am-12 pm/noon)
- October 20, 2023 (guest lectures, 10 am-12 pm/noon) + Introduction to tutorial (12:15 pm to 12:45 pm)

- October 27, 2023 (Q&A, 11am-12 pm)
- November 3, 2023 (Q&A, 11am-12 pm)
- November 17, 2023 (guest lectures, 10 am-12 pm)
- November 24, 2023 (Q&A, 11am-12 pm)
- December 1, 2023 (Q&A, 11am-12 pm)
- December 15, 2023 (guest lectures, 10 am-12 pm)
- January 19, 2024 (guest lectures, 10 am-12 pm)
- optional: February 9, 2024 (guest lectures, 10 am-12 pm/noon)

optional: March 8, 2024 (guest lectures, 10 am-12 pm/noon)

SEMINAR COLLOQUIUM SFB 1199 ,PROCESSES OF SPATIALIZATION UNDER THE GLOBAL CONDITION'

TIME WEDNESDAY, 5PM – 7PM

PLACE RECENTGLOBE, ROOM 5.55

The complete programme is to be found here: <https://research.uni-leipzig.de/~sfb1199/event-category/colloquium/>

PHD COLLOQUIUM

LECTURER MARTINA KEILBACH

GSGAS

COLLOQUIUM OF THE PHD CANDIDATES OF THE GSGAS

TIME 1 PM – 3.30 PM, 03.11.23, 17.11.23, 8.12.23, 12.1.24

PLACE EFS 3.16 AND ZOOM

MOODLE

This colloquium serves to present interim results (an elaborate PhD proposal (Exposé) in the first year of study, chapters in the second year, and an overview of the results of the dissertation in the third year) of the dissertation projects of PhD candidates in the GSGAS. The aim is to discuss the terminology of the research focus of the Graduate School. The PhD candidates are therefore asked to emphasize the alignment of their research regarding the core concepts in their presentations. Active participation in the discussion and commenting a min. of one paper is prerequisite for the successful completion of the colloquium. Please register for presentations by 1 October to the coordinator of the Graduate School (phd@uni-leipzig.de).

ARBEITSGRUPPEN / WORKING GROUPS

The working groups thematically and/or methodologically correspond to the respective thematic fields and range of methods. Participation requires preregistration and approval of the supervisors of the working groups. Please contact the supervisors in advance.

LECTURERS KATJA CASTRYCK-NAUMANN / MARTIN BAUCH
 GWZO
 **GWZO-COLLOQUIUM COMPARATIVE AND TRANSREGIONAL RESEARCH
 ON EASTERN EUROPE**

TIME TUESDAY, 11 AM – 1 PM (PROGRAMME SEE GSGAS WEBSITE)

PLACE GWZO

The colloquium provides an opportunity to discuss ongoing research on Eastern Europe from a variety of disciplines in the humanities and social sciences. Participants present outlines and chapters from their dissertation, postdoctoral and publications projects as well as drafts of funding applications.

For further information, please contact Katja Castryck-Naumann (katja.castryck-naumann@leibniz-gwzo.de) or Martin Bauch (martin.bauch@leibniz-gwzo.de).

LECTURER MARKUS DRESSLER
 RELIGIONSWISSENSCHAFTLICHES INSTITUT
 DOCTORAL COLLOQUIUM FOR RELIGION AND ISLAM-RELATED TOPICS

TIME WEDNESDAY, 5 PM – 7 PM, BIWEEKLY, 1ST MEETING: 18 OCTOBER

PLACE SCHILLERSTR. 6, RAUM M103

This colloquium is tailored for doctoral students working on religion and/or Islam-related topics. Participants are expected to present, in writing and oral presentation, parts of their own dissertation projects in progress. We will determine a semester plan at the beginning of the term. Additional texts on related theoretical and methodological issues may be integrated.

LECTURER ULF ENGEL
 INSTITUT FÜR AFRIKASTUDIEN
 INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

TIME TUESDAY, 1 PM – 3 PM (17.10., 24.10., 31.10., 07.11., 14.11.,
28.11., 05.12., 12.12., 19.12., 02.01., 09.01., 16.01., 23.01., 30.01.)

PLACE RECENTGLOBE, ROOM 5.27

LECTURERS JONATHAN EVERTS (ZIRS, MARTIN-LUTHER-UNIVERSITÄT HALLE-WITTENBERG) / DANIELA RUSS (GESI)

RESOURCES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

TIME NN
PLACE NN (LEIPZIG AND HALLE AND HYBRID)

The working group, newly founded in the context of the growing cooperation relations between Re-CentGlobe/Leipzig and ZIRS/Halle, invites PhD candidates from GSGAS at Leipzig University and ZIRS at Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg who are working on social transformations with a perspective on resources and infrastructures in their ongoing dissertation projects. A schedule and further information will be announced at the beginning of the semester. Registration can be made in advance with Martina Keilbach (phd@uni-leipzig.de).

LECTURERS THILO LANG / LELA REKHVIASHVILI (IFL)
SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY

TIME 13 OCTOBER, 10 AM (FIRST SESSION)
PLACE IFL

We invite PhD-students from geography and related social sciences with a spatial focus to a discursive co-learning journey around individual PhD-topics. We will learn how to focus on core themes and phenomena as a basis for structuring the PhD-process. All participants will be asked to prepare inputs on issues of the philosophy of science, methodology and methods, empirical proceedings and analytical tools as well as visualisation, impact and implications of their projects. There is a maximum number of participants, so please register with t_lang@leibniz-ifl.de and l_rekhvashvili@leibniz-ifl.de until 8 October 2023 with a one page summary of your PhD-project including a short workplan for the coming academic year. The working group will meet every 2 weeks for 2hrs with in inception meeting on Friday, 13 October, 10h00 at IfL. A regular meeting day and place will then be decided collectively with the participants of this first session.

LECTURERS MATTHIAS MIDDELL / STEFFI MARUNG / DMITRI VAN DEN BERSSELAAR
GESI / INSTITUT FÜR AFRIKASTUDIEN

GLOBAL HISTORY AND RESEARCH ON TRANSNATIONALIZATION

TIME 21.10., 04.11., 16.12., 20.1., 10AM
PLACE ONLINE AND ON-SITE (RECENTGLOBE)

MOODLE <https://moodle2.uni-leipzig.de/course/view.php?id=990>

LECTURER MAREN MÖHRING
INSTITUT FÜR KULTURWISSENSCHAFTEN

VERGLEICHENDE KULTUR- UND GESELLSCHAFTSGESCHICHTE

TIME 24.10.23: 17:00-19:00 (PER ZOOM), 05.12.23: 17:00-19:00 (PER ZOOM), 19.01.2024: 9-16 UHR, GWZ 5.116
PLACE GWZ 5.116

WINTERKLAUSUR / WINTER RETREAT / THESIS SUPPORT WEEK

Thesis support week 24 – 31 January 24

25 – 27 January Winter Retreat in Neudietendorf (Call for registration will be made separately at the end of November)

SCHLÜSSELQUALIFIKATIONEN / KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Information about key qualification courses offered by the Graduate Academy Leipzig is to be found here:

<https://www.ga.uni-leipzig.de/graduieretenakademie-leipzig/veranstaltungsportal>

Venues

ReCentGlobe	Research Centre for Global Dynamics, Strohsackpassage, Nikolaistraße 6–10, 04109 Leipzig, 5th Floor
GESI	Global and European Studies Institute, Emil-Fuchs-Straße 1, 04105 Leipzig
GWZ	Geisteswissenschaftliche Zentrum, Beethovenstraße 15, 04107 Leipzig
GWZO	Leibniz-Institut für Geschichte und Kultur des östlichen Europa, Specks Hof, Reichsstraße 4-6, 04109 Leipzig
IFL	Leibniz-Institut für Länderkunde, Schongauerstraße 9, 04328 Leipzig
Seminar Building	Universitätsstraße 1, 04109 Leipzig