Graduate School Global and Area Studies

Lehrprogramm im Wintersemester 2020/21 / Course Programme in the winter term 2020/21

FORschungsseminare / Research Seminars

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LECTURER
CORINNE GEERING
GWZO

SEMINARY
ARCHIVAL RESEARCH AND DIGITAL SOURCES

TIME
2/3 NOVEMBER, 7/8 DECEMBER, 9–12 (ON-SITE); 10 NOVEMBER, 24 NOVEMBER, 12 JANUARY, 26 JANUARY, 9–11 AM (ONLINE)

PLACE
GWZO

This seminar provides an overview of archival and special collection research. The six sessions cover the practical steps in working with historical source material, from planning, conducting to writing up the dissertation research. This includes the following issues: devising a research plan, dealing with gaps and missing information, and finally organising the collected source material. Therefore, this course is aimed at both doctoral researchers wishing to further develop their historical research capabilities and at those who have little or no previous experience with conducting archival research. In view of the current situation to COVID-19, the seminar will pay special attention to digital collections and strategies to adapt research plans in case of travel restrictions and closure of archives and libraries. Most sessions will be held online and participants will work on their research plan and organisation of digital sources in between the sessions. Depending on the number of participants, on-site sessions will take place in smaller groups.

Session 1: Introduction (on-site)
This session addresses questions and challenges of the doctoral researchers as well as specific requirements and expectations for the course.

Session 2: Understanding the Archive as Part of the Research Process (online)

Session 3: Devising a Research Plan and Finding What You Need (online)
This session provides guidance on finding the right sources for the dissertation. It covers finding aids, search techniques and highlights the potential of digital collections.

Session 4: The Importance of Limits and How to Deal with Missing Information (on-site)
This session focuses on the research question as the central element of archival research. It provides guidance on limiting or adapting search strategies, as doctoral researchers may be confronted with too much or too little source material in archives.

Session 5: Organising and Managing Your Sources (online)
This session is organised with Moritz Kurzweil who is responsible for research data management at GWZo. It covers strategies and tools to organise sources at home after visiting the archives or working with digital collections.

Session 6: From Source to Text: Writing up (online)
This concluding session focuses on the writing process and it opens up a discussion on ways to further improve the previous steps in working with historical source material.

LECTURERS
MICHEL ESPAGNE / MATTHIAS MIDDELL / NINJA STEINBACH-HÜTHER
AND GUESTS

SEMINAR
CULTURAL TRANSFER

TIME
FRIDAYS, 10 AM – 12 PM

The transnational research seminar is dedicated to the study of intercultural transfers of very different regions with the German-speaking world, but also far beyond. The complex relationship between cultural transfer research, transnational history, and transregional studies will be discussed using examples from the speakers’ research practice. Sessions of the research seminar take place monthly (13 sessions during the academic year between September 2020 and May 2021). The seminar will take place online, which should allow a significant increase in participation even from locations other than Paris and Leipzig and take into account the specifics of the situation under Corona conditions. It is based on the longstanding cooperation between the French Study Centre and the Research Centre Global Dynamics (ReCentGlobe) at Leipzig University and the École normale supérieure Paris (research unit UMR Pays germaniques-transferts culturels), whose partnership has inspired a large number of joint publications and events since the early 1990s. The sessions will be held in French, English, or German, with the language of the presentation depending on the working title given, while interventions in the discussion will be possible in all three languages.

The thread running through the various sessions is the question of the vectors that explain and promote the different cultural circulations in space and time, and the resemantisation 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. A unifying theme will be the history and epistemology of the humanities. Thus, the transnational history of the Ottoman Empire around 1900, the history of the Chinese diplomatic presence in Europe at the end of the 19th century and interculturality in Greek history lend themselves to comparison, with a focus kept on questions of spatialization in historiographical constructions.

For more information please have a look on the website: https://research.uni-leipzig.de/transferstculturals/en/cultural-transfer/
SEMINAR  
**COLLOQUIUM SFB 1199 ‘PROCESSES OF SPATIALIZATION UNDER THE GLOBAL CONDITION’**

TIME  
WEDNESDAY, 5 – 7 PM

PLACE  
ZOOM MEETINGS

The complete programme is to be found here: [http://research.uni-leipzig.de/~sfb1199/events/](http://research.uni-leipzig.de/~sfb1199/events/)

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**DOKTORANDENKOLLOQUIUM / COLLOQUIUM**

LECTURER  
MARTINA KEILBACH

GSGAS

**COLLOQUIUM OF THE PHD CANDIDATES OF THE GSGAS**

TIME  
FR, 06.11. 1AM – 4PM
FR, 27.11. 1AM – 4PM
FR, 18.12. 1AM – 4PM
FR, 15.01. 1AM – 4PM

PLACE  
ZOOM MEETINGS

MOODLE  
https://moodle2.uni-leipzig.de/course/view.php?id=27777

This colloquium serves to present interim results (an elaborate PhD proposal (Exposé) in the first year of study, sample 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 is prerequisite for the successful completion of the colloquium. Please register for presentations by 10 October to the coordinator of the Graduate School (keilbach@uni-leipzig.de).

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**ARBEITSGRUPPEN / WORKING GROUPS**

The working groups thematically and/or methodologically correspond to the respective thematic fields and range of methods. Participation requires [preregistration](http://research.uni-leipzig.de/~sfb1199/events/) and approval of the supervisors of the working groups. Please contact the supervisors in advance.

LECTURER  
ROSE MARIE BECK

INSTITUT FÜR AFRIKASTUDIEN

**DOCTORAL COLLOQUIUM AFRICAN STUDIES / DOING THE CITY**

TIME  
N.N.

PLACE  
ONLINE
LECTURERS: MARIAN BURCHARDT
INSTITUT FÜR SOZIOLOGIE/RECENTGLOBE

**CULTURAL SOCIOLOGY IN THE GLOBAL AGE**

**TIME:** 14.12. AND 18.1.

**PLACE:** ONLINE

LECTURERS: PHILIP CLART / ELISABETH KASKE
OSTASIATISCHES INSTITUT

**APPLIED RESEARCH METHODOLOGY I**

**TIME:** MONDAY, 5 PM

**PLACE:** HS 3

LECTURER: MARKUS DRESSLER
RELIGIONSWISSENSCHAFTLICHES INSTITUT

**DOCTORAL COLLOQUIUM FOR RELIGION AND ISLAM-RELATED TOPICS**

**TIME:** THURSDAYS, 5-7 PM, START: 29 OCTOBER

**PLACE:** GESI, 3.16

This colloquium is tailored for students working on religion and/or Islam-related topics. Participants are expected to present parts of their own work, and to engage with the projects of the other students. Students in all stages of their dissertation projects are welcome. We will determine a semester plan at the beginning of the term. Depending on size and composition of the group, additional texts on common theoretical and methodological issues will be integrated.

LECTURER: ULF ENGEL
INSTITUT FÜR AFRIKASTUDIEN

**INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**

**TIME:** WEDNESDAY, 3 PM – 5 PM, 20 OCTOBER, 27 OCTOBER, 1 DECEMBER, 12 JANUARY

**PLACE:** WEBEX MEETINGS
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, among others, outlines and chapters from their dissertation, postdoctoral and publication projects as well as drafts of funding applications. Active participation is mandatory for PhD researchers at the GWZO. Pre-circulated papers will be available on the Moodle platform of Leipzig University. If you are interested in presenting a paper, please contact Adamantios Skordos (adamantios.skordos@leibniz-gwzo.de) by 30 September 2020.

LECTURER

THOMAS HÖPEL
INSTITUT FÜR KULTURWISSENSCHAFTEN
KULTUR- UND SOZIALGESCHICHTE DER DDR IN TRANSNATIONALER PERSPEKTIVE

TIME
28. NOVEMBER UND 23. JANUAR, 9.13 UHR
PLACE
GESI, 3.16

LECTURER
THILO LANG
IFL

PHD RESEARCH METHODS AND PRACTISE – STARTING A PHD IN SOCIAL SCIENCES AND GEOGRAPHY

TIME
FIRST SESSION: 13 OCTOBER
PLACE
IFL, ROOM 108

LECTURERS
MATTHIAS MIDDELL / STEFFI MARUNG
GESI

GLOBAL HISTORY AND RESEARCH ON TRANSNATIONALIZATION

TIME
17 OCTOBER, 14 NOVEMBER, 12 DECEMBER, 16 JANUARY
PLACE
MOODLE AND ZOOM MEETINGS
MOODLE
https://moodle2.uni-leipzig.de/course/view.php?id=990
WINTERKLASUR / WINTER RETREAT

Due to the current situation, we cannot yet confirm the organization of the winter retreat in Neudietendorf. The venue has been booked, but the retreat may take place virtually. You will receive further information by email.

So the winter school takes place from 31 January to 2 February 2021 maybe in Neudietendorf [Zinzenendorfhaus] or virtually.

(http://zinzenendorfhaus.de/)

Registration: keilbach@uni-leipzig.de

SCHLÜSSELQUALIFIKATIONEN / KEY QUALIFICATIONS

IMPACT AND RESEARCH COMMUNICATION SKILLS

This course is designed to develop the fundamental skills required for successfully communicating the importance and value of academic research to audiences outside the immediate circle of fellow specialists, including non-academic stakeholders in the research, with a view to achieving impact beyond the academy. These are essential skills for successful grant proposals, job applications and interviews, public engagement, outreach activities, knowledge exchange projects, and dealing with the media. The skills developed are of course also transferable ones, of equal value for many non-academic careers.
This course is designed to provide researchers with an introduction to peer review (and the surrounding debates and controversies), helping them to maximise the benefit they derive from peer review of their own work, and to develop the necessary constructive critical skills and ethical responsibilities to become effective peer-reviewers themselves. It covers a range of contexts, from publishing to grant proposals and conferences.

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Information about key qualification courses offered by Kompetenzschule Research Academy Leipzig is to be found here:
http://www.ral.uni-leipzig.de/de/research-academy-leipzig/struktur/kompetenzschule/workshops/
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**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, 3rd and 4th Floor

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

SFB  
Sonderforschungsbereich 1199, Strohsackpassage, Nikolaistraße 6–10, 04109 Leipzig, 5th Floor

HS 3  
Hörsaal 3, Hörsaalgebäude Universitätsstrasse, Leipzig