

Spring 2010

Research Seminar (3-5 units)

Wednesday, 5:15-8:05 pm, bldg: 260-011

FrenGen 361 • CREEES and Anthro cognate course



Postcolonialism • Postsocialism • Postapartheid

A principle aim of this course is to help students to develop their own theoretical apparatus based on a bottom-up approach to their own research topics, projects and materials. This course will teach how to generate theory out of data by the use of „grounded theory.“ It will also use a case-oriented and comparative approach and help to develop analytical categories for research in the humanities and human sciences.

This course will have as its subject-matter certain theories of resistance developed by, for example, Giorgio Agamben, Louis Althusser, Helen Cixous, Michel Foucault, René Girard, Chantal Mouffe. We will use a comparative approach to theories of resistance as interpretative frameworks and test their assumptions and methodologies against concrete case studies of resistance movements and specific acts of resistance drawn from post-colonialist, post-socialist and post-apartheid sites.

First meeting: Wednesday, March 31st, 5:15 pm, bldg 260-011

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