

Summer School 'Spaces of Projection' (Bern/Basel, 5–9 Sep 11)

Bern, Basel, Switzerland, Sep 5–09, 2011

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'Spaces of Projection' is an international Summer School in postcolonial literatures, cultures and linguistics.

The Summer School will focus on the cultural, social, historical and topographical dimensions of space in postcolonial literatures. Central research questions include the following: How is space represented, constructed and projected? What role does mythology play with respect to cultural topographies? How are identity, ethnicity and the concept of belonging negotiated in relation to space? How are spatial boundaries and nationhood expressed, and what are their impacts? How is space textualised, visualised, and mapped? Questions of gender will also be explored, as well as the urbanisation processes in postcolonial space.

The Summer School aspires to bring together both BA and MA students and leading researchers who will give lectures and seminars on issues related to postcolonial space. The multidimensionality of space calls for an interdisciplinary approach, and while the Summer School will focus on literature, it will also include lectures in linguistics and history. As the Summer School will take place at the Universities of Bern and Basel, students will be given the opportunity to hear lectures at two academic institutions and to explore two beautiful Swiss cities.

The structure of the Summer School will include three lectures each morning (Monday to Friday). For the afternoon, one can choose out of several thematic seminars lasting the whole week (see website).

Four days of the Summer School will be hosted by the English Department of the University of Bern, while one day focusing on Africa will take place at the English Department of the University of Basel where, apart from lectures in the morning, a guided tour will highlight the connection between this city and the African continent.

Students will be given Credit Points (ECTS) for the participation in the Summer School, in accordance with the terms and conditions of their home universities.

We welcome national and international BA, MA and PhD students. Please register by 14 June 2011:

<http://spacesofprojection.wordpress.com>

Reference:

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