Decolonizing Academia?
Opportunities, Perspectives and Academic Responsibility

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Schloss Hohentübingen
9:45 am – 6 pm

Speakers

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Olivia Barnett Nagshineh,
Goldsmith College, Short Courses

Danijel Cubelic,
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Religious Studies, „Anders ankommen – Vielfalt verstehen“, Stuttgart

Mihir Sharma,
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Access and Parking

On foot
Coming from the old town take the street Burgsteige and pass through two castle gates into the castle courtyard. From there follow instructions for access to room 165.

By car
Parking is available at Parkhaus König and Parkhaus Altstadt, as well as in the residential area Burgholzstraße and Schlossbergstraße.

Access to room 165
When you enter the castle, in the courtyard you will find the entrance on your right hand side. You have to enter the door in the tower and the venue room 165 is on the first floor, where you will also find the registration desk.

Conference management and contact

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Venue

Schloss Hohentübingen,
Classical Archaeology, Room 165

By public transport
From the bus stop Neckarbrücke you can reach us on foot via the street Burgsteige.

From the bus stop Stadtgraben walk on through Schmiedtorstraße - Judengasse - Haaggasse – Burgsteige

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While an end is attributed to colonization with the decades after the Second World War, the power relations created by colonialism and the accompanying racisms are partly still effective. The discussions about decolonization in general and in the context of the university in particular, which have gained more and more attention in recent years, address these problems and offer theoretical and practical possibilities for awareness and academic debate.

This workshop offers space for discussions, cooperation and critical debates on the topic of "Decolonizing Academia".

How can the university, academia and society confront the topic of decolonization and continue to advance it, building on the numerous movements and approaches of recent decades, and what are the factors that prevent a broader recognition of the topic of decolonization in research and teaching?

Among other things, the discussion is intended to address the spaces of identity politics, which are often associated with decolonial approaches and receive only limited attention in the German university landscape. The focus will be on the responsibility of the sciences towards colonial history. The way in which avoiding this responsibility represents a perpetuation of neocolonial power relations, through which the objectification of the other and the Global South is promoted, is a further question.

Participation in the workshop is free of charge.

Please register via the registration function on the website of Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology (Ethnologie).

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17:15 – 18:00 Final Group Discussion

19:00 Conference Dinner