

FINAL ORAL EXAM (VIVA)

Module CGS_MA-07

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M.A. Cultures of the Global South / Culturas del Sud Global /

Cultures du Sud global

A **final oral exam** (viva) is a mandatory part, alongside the attendance of a research seminar (Colloquium), and the MA thesis, of the **concluding module** of the MA CGS (CGS_MA-07).

Parameters:

The viva has a duration of 1 hour (60 minutes).

The viva can be conducted in English, French or Spanish.

The viva counts for 7 CP. The viva is graded and is worth 20% of the module grade.

The viva consists of three parts:

(1) Discussion of the MA thesis (20 minutes);

(2) Additional topic 1 (20 minutes);

(3) Additional topic 2 (20 minutes).

At least **ONE** topic must be in the area of literary and cultural studies of the themes and regions corresponding to modules 2a-2c or 6a-6c (i.e. Anglophone, Francophone or Latin American literary or cultural studies).

The two additional topics are to be chosen by the student in consultation with the examiner of the viva. The topics should not overlap with any work you have submitted for assessment, but they can be drawn from areas of study treated in seminars you have taken during your degree.

For each of the two additional topics, you should submit a reading list (primary source) with a total of 10 shorter texts (e.g. short stories/poems/articles/short theoretical texts/visual or artistic artefacts, etc.) per topic OR three longer works (e.g. literary works or other cultural or mediatic artefacts such as novels/plays/anthologies/films, or major monographs or theoretical works), or an appropriate combination of the two. For each primary source, you should provide a list of secondary sources.

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