The term “global” is everywhere, used by everybody for all kinds of different purposes. Yet, “global” only exists when we invoke it and we invoke it necessarily locally, from a certain place and point of view. We tend to think of the global in terms of the image of the Earth, i.e. as a generative frame of unity within which local variations can be mapped. But, the seeming universality of the term “global” could be misleading.

In this course we ask:
What are the politics of knowledge that have constructed the global, and continue to do so? What implications does this construction have for knowing and hearing the Global South or East, or alternative epistemologies? How should we think about temporality in the idea of the global? What can new postcolonial research tell us about the construction of “global,” and the “local” where this construction takes place?
PROGRAMME

Friday, April 26, 1015 to 1200 VIRTA LS 109
Daniel Tröhler, University of Vienna
"Claims of universalized nationalism and banal nationalism as resistance. Frontstage and backstage of current education policies across the globe"

Tuesday, April 30, 1015 to 1200 VIRTA LS 109
Yasemin Soysal, University of Essex
"Global Citizens or Global Individuals? Educational Migrations of Chinese Tertiary Students"

Friday, May 3, 1015 to 1200 VIRTA LS 109
Neilesh Bose, University of Victoria
"Reconciling Religion in Histories of Globalization — India in and of the World"

Wednesday, May 8, 1015 to 1200 VIRTA LS 109
Alex Jeffrey, University of Cambridge
"Decentring international law: enacting war crimes trials in Bosnia and Herzegovina"

Monday, May 20, 1015 to 1200 VIRTA LS 109
Gianpaolo Baiocchhi, New York University
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In addition:
Master's and doctoral seminars: 12 April 9-12 and 23 May at 9-12 Linna 6017
Doctoral workshop 24 May at 9-15 Linna 5014

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