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Interdisciplinary studies in African-European relations 805 (AKV 805)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Humanities](#)

Module credits 20.00

Programmes [MA Option: African-European Cultural Relations](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time determined by Field Mentor

Language of tuition English

Academic organisation Modern European Languages

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

(NB In consultation with the field mentor in the student's selected field of specialisation) Field 1: Narratives, visual worlds, symbolic spaces. This field deals with stories people tell themselves to make sense of their existence, as well as with symbols and imaginary reality constructions. It leads to a critical re-evaluation of truth granting processes. Mentors: Prof Amanda du Preez (Visual Arts), Prof Fraser McNeill (Anthropology) Field 2: Socio-historical dynamics This field deals with the chronology and dynamics of (power) relations, encounters, counter-encounters and its effects. This can include sociological, political, historical or other approaches towards such dynamics. Mentors: Prof Alois Mlambo (Historical and Heritage Studies), Prof Janis Grobbelaar (Sociology) Field 3: African-European relations underlining our beliefs and values. This can include studies of the history of human rights in Africa, of gender, class or race driven norms, of how such norms and traditions change, what we imagine as "our" norms, how norms are codified or what we take for granted. Mentors: Prof Karin van Marle (Philosophy of Law), Prof Dirk Human (Religion Studies) Field 4: Political constructions. This refers to political constructions in public, private and market institutions on communal, national or inter- and transnational levels. It refers to the cultural practices and habits of agency, to how people make things happen, how to negotiate habits and social actions, how power or representation is created, organised, distributed and subverted. Mentor: Prof Maxi Schoeman (Political Science) Field 5: Languages, cultures, translations. This refers to specific language-oriented approaches on the dynamics of African-European relations and refers to "language" as meaning making mechanism beyond mere communicative competences. Mentors: Prof Russel West-Pavlov (English), Prof Willie Burger (Afrikaans)

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