

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Lucerne Graduate Workshop

Qualitative Fieldwork Methods and Issues in the Study of Religion

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Content:

This seminar will begin by briefly looking at the history of doing ethnographic fieldwork pertaining to religion. We will then move on to discuss contemporary issues debated within the fields of religious studies (Religionswissenschaft) and anthropology, such as the morals and ethics involved in gathering data, etc. Some readings will be assigned in advance of the seminar to stimulate discussion.

Frank J. Korom is professor of religion and anthropology at Boston University. His areas of research have focused on South Asia and Tibet, as well as the diasporas originating in these locations. He also has a passion for material and visual culture, about which he is currently writing while a fellow of the Clark Art Institute. He currently co-edits the journal Asian Ethnology and serves on the editorial board of American Anthropologist.

Note: The workshop is aimed at PhD students of the Graduate

School. However other interested parties are welcome.