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## HGGS Oberseminar

# “Key Concepts of Cultural/Literary Analysis”

**Prof. Dr. Vera Nünning**

Tuesday, 14 June 2022 (2 pm to 6.30 pm)

Wednesday, 15 June 2022 (2 pm to 6.30 pm)

Most dissertation projects use at least one key concept that is of central importance for the conception of the main research questions. In order to develop a convincing argument, it is necessary to explicate these concepts and adjust them slightly to fit the specific topic of the dissertation. As a rule, these concepts are explored within the frame of a specific discipline.

At the same time, an interdisciplinary view on such concepts can be very helpful, especially since we tend to use key terms which were not originally developed in our own discipline. In this seminar, we will discuss some major concepts which are employed in several disciplines, such as identity, climate change, space, or migration. The choice of concepts to be discussed is dependent on their usefulness for your research: We will only focus on those that are of central importance to the projects of the participants of this seminar.

By way of preparation, please read the article cited below (or any other interesting article on the topic) and choose one or two key terms that are of central importance to your project.

Birgit Neumann/Ansgar Nünning, “Travelling Concepts as a Model for the Study of Culture”. *Travelling Concepts for the Study of Culture*. Eds. Neumann/Nünning. Berlin: De Gruyter 2012, 1-22.

This seminar is also open to doctoral students of the English Department.

**Please register no later than 1 May 2022 by writing to [astrid.wind@hggs.uni-heidelberg.de](mailto:astrid.wind@hggs.uni-heidelberg.de)**

In your registration email, please include the **key terms** you would like to discuss in the seminar.

Please note that we'll have generous breaks in order to make it possible to discuss the concepts in a more familiar context and come to know doctoral researchers from different disciplines.

**Course Location:**

English Department (Anglistisches Seminar) \* Kettengasse 12 \* Room 122 / 110 \* 69117 Heidelberg