In this seminar, we aim to come to a historical understanding of genocide in the modern era, that is, approximately over the last 250 years. We do so in a chronological, i.e., historical, manner, and thereby seek not only to compare genocides but determine how they may be related to one another as moments in various processes, e.g. the rise of the modern state or the disintegration of empires.

We meet on Thursdays between 17.00-19.00 (though note change for Weeks 2 and 7)

**Week 1: January 13**
Our Object of Inquiry—What is Genocide?


**Week 2: January 17 (note: Monday meeting, 11.00)**
Human Rights: Related or rival concept? (guest professor: Stefan-Ludwig Hoffman, Zentrum für Zeitgeschichtliche Forschung, Berlin)


**Week 3, January 27**
How Can We Explain Genocide, ‘Ethnic Cleansing’, and ‘Demographic Engineering’?

**Week 4: February 3**
Settler Colonialism and Empire


**Week 5: February 10**
Genocide and ‘Ethnic Cleansing’ after WWI

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**Week 6: February 17**
Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union


**Week 7: February 21 (note: Monday meeting, 11.00)**
Partition, Ethnic Cleansing and the End of Empire, 1947-1948


**Week 8: March 3**
Postcolonial Genocide? Secessionist Civil War in Nigeria and Pakistan in the late 1960s and early 1970s

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**Week 9: March 10**
After the Cold War: Yugoslavia, Rwanda, and the Question of Sexual Violence

Week 10: March 17
Darfur and the Question of Humanitarian Intervention