

University of Groningen Summer Schools 2017

Beyond Horizons

Transmitting and Writing New Identities of Minorities and Migrants in and Beyond Europe

18 – 23 June 2017 Groningen, the Netherlands



Fondation Erica Sauter



> Summer school description <

This summer school will examine the function and meaning of cultural transfer as an important tool to build up sustainable societies. Special attention will be paid to minorities and migrants. The concepts of cultural transfer as well as the various definitions of 'minorities' and 'migrants' will be discussed and historically and politically contextualised.

Topics that will be discussed:

> Language loss and revitalisation by minority and indigenous writers (Sámi writers)

- > The universal languages of transculturality
- > Multicultural society, "écriture migrante", French and francophone (post)migrant writing and street language
- > The characteristics and development of immigrant writing to transculturality
- Notions of diaspora in relation to their applicability for transnational literary and cultural studies. The problem of labelling contemporary authors in the wider context of postcolonial interventions into the politics of literary representation
- In this context Vamba Sherif, Liberian-born writer residing in the Netherlands, will be reading from his novel Land of my fathers (1999)
- Experience of exile and migration in contemporary Hispanic cultural production (with examples from literature, film and theatre) across different genres in the context of post-dictatorship in for example Spain, Argentina and Chile

The students will give presentations on the final day of the summer school.

> Academic coordinators	Dr. Petra Broomans Dr. Jeanette den Toonder
> Fees	€ 450 (including housing) € 250 (excluding housing)
> Target audience	(Research) Master students, PhDs in Humanities/ Social Sciences/ Philosophy
> Language of instruction	English
> Credits/Certificate	5 EC + a certificate of attendance. Recognition of credits is always at the discretion of the home institution.
> Application deadline	1 May 2017
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