# Namibian and Southern African Studies

## RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM, AUTUMN 2026

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| September | 16.09 | **Introduction to the Colloquium & Southern African Archives**<br>with Dag Henrichsen (BAB ) |
| | 23.09 | **Mark Drumbl & Shannon Fyfe (Washington & Lee Univ., USA)**<br>Memories of Colonialism & Genocide along Namibia's Cemeteries & Streets. |
| | 30.09 | **Tycho van der Hoog (Netherlands Defence Academy)**<br>North Koreans in Namibia: Lessons for the New Cold War |
| October | 07.10 | **Ulrike Kiessling (University of Basel)**<br>Listening to the "Buttersong": A Media History of Knowledge |
| | 16-17.10 | **Namibia Research Day (BAB & UNAM)** |
| | 21.10 | **Lucy Edwards-Jauch (University of Namibia)**<br>Making the *Namibian Journal of Social Justice* [ZOOM] |
| | 28.10 | **No Meeting this Week** |
| November | 04.11 | **Dag Henrichsen (Basler Afrika Bibliographien)**<br>Sexology' s queer colonial archive for Namibia and Angola:<br>The case of Kurt Falk |
| | 11.11 | **Hugo ka Canham (University of South Africa)**<br>Sandy Accretions [ZOOM] |
| | 18.11 | **Speaker from University of Mauritius (TBD)**<br>Title TBD [ZOOM] |
| | 25.11 | **Martha Ndakalako (Gustavus Adolphus College, USA)**<br>Namibian Women's Literature since Independence [ZOOM] |
| December | 02.12 | **Francisco Miguel (Brasilia)**<br>'Exogeny' and 'Silence' in Current Queer African Studies:<br>Some Contributions from Lusophone Africa [ZOOM] |
| | 09.12 | **Ilan Pappe (University of Exeter, UK)**<br>Title TBD<br>*collaboration with Near & Middle Eastern Studies* |
| | 16.12 | **Closing Session** |

Note: Physical location in Switzerland: BAB, Klosterberg 23, Basel. Some speakers and visitors join via zoom. Please note: Until the end of October, the event is at 18:15 Basel time and 18:15 Namibian time. From November, it will be at 18:15 in Basel and 19:15 in Namibia. Drinks and/or an apéro at the BAB will follow each presentation.

The colloquium addresses current debates in Namibian and Southern African Studies and provides a forum for conversations between students and local and international scholars, artists and activists. The regional focus is programmatic, but we offer multiple opportunities to reflect on the sessions, and situate them in broader discourses. We nurture an intellectual milieu and knowledge practice that transcend rigid institutional and symbolic boundaries between the university and society, the Global South and North, and disciplines, fields, and practices. The colloquium is open to students from all levels and guests from within and beyond the university.

Jointly organised by the University of Namibia, the University of Basel &the Basler Afrika Bibliographien

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