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The Empire Boom: Insights for Interimperial History-writing

Louise Young is historian of modern Japan, and professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is also guest professor at the Department of Global Studies in autumn 2023.

This lecture examines Japan's new imperial history from the end of the Cold War to the present, exploring the generative potential of this scholarship for the analytic categories of transimperial and interimperial. Centering the story in Asia, and on a non-European power, the Japanese case provides a new perspective on an historiography drawn largely from records

of Western expansion. Because of the layered imperial formations that helped comprise Asia as a political, economic, and cultural geography, the Japanese empire offers rich material for thinking through the intersections of multiple empires in a single region not least as it related to Brazil, China, India, and Russia.

The GS Annual Lecture is meant primarily for all new MA students at the department, but everybody is most welcome!

Time: 3-5 pm

Location: Auditorium 1 (1441-012)

Notice: The lecture is followed by a reception



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