

**Kurzbeschreibung:**

The concept of culture is contested. There are numerous definitions, theories and debates within the humanities, which have generated their own dynamics in the interdisciplinary field. In this combined course we will focus on theories and debates which have become relevant for cultural scientists, and social and cultural anthropologists. Therefore we deal with concrete studies authored mainly by anthropologists, classic and contemporary ones, and analyze which concepts of culture are used and discussed. And how certain debates developed and entered the broad field of transcultural studies.

Each session on Tuesday (10-14) will consist of introductory parts on key concepts in anthropology (like ritual, performance, sex and gender, subjectivity, agency....), of shared readings of theoretical texts and articles, and of presenting ethnographic monographies by small working groups. Additional material like films will complement our courses. For further discussion of each topic there will be another timeslot on Thursday 10-12, and the week after there will be time for further reading and preparation.

The detailed programme with the complete bibliography is attached on STudIP, the central intranet of university Bremen, where all materials for the module are uploaded.

The first meeting will be held at Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 10-12 pm at Sportturm Spt C 4180. You are welcome.

**Literatur:**