

**“Global Approach to CAS Series III:
Promises and Potential Problems of Comparative Analysis”**

Building on the introductory courses on Comparative Area Studies, this course will focus on CAS' concrete implementation in empirical, comparative studies. After a brief overview on current CAS-related research in the study of Middle East politics, the course will examine and discuss the promises and potential problems of this strategy in view of two important examples, both stemming from the comparative politics of the Arab Uprisings.