

DOCTORAL PROGRAMME IN POST-COLONIALISMS AND CITIZENSHIP

Postcolonial Studies in the Space of Portuguese Language

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Focusing on the period extending from the end of the 19th century until the current day, this seminar will seek to discuss and analyse, based on different viewpoints on post-colonial theory, the specificities of the political and cultural dynamics and expressions of post-colonialism in the space of Portuguese language. Based on relevant theoretical proposals for this setting, on literary texts and, complementarily, on other forms of artistic expressions, the seminar will concentrate mainly on the discursive practices that have sustained, substantiated and gave form to power relations, both from the coloniser and colonised side, considering dynamics of oppression and resistance throughout changing political contexts. In this respect, special attention will be given to the construction of several identity projects, namely of a racial, ethnic, national and sexual nature, and to the discursive strategies of representation and imagination operating in these resistance mechanisms, seeking to find, through a comparative methodology, peculiarities in the negotiation of meaning allowing to better understand the complexities and pluriversalities of powers in the colonial and the post-colonial context.