

## Call of the <u>working group CO-TEACHING</u> Forum Decolonizing Academia of University of Cologne Co-Teaching classes in 2024

In order to strengthen international collaboration in teaching in general and more specifically on topics related to decolonization and global justice, we would like to reach out to all those of you – lecturers, students and professors - who are interested in organizing a co-teaching seminar in one of the coming terms, esp. summer term 2024.

A co-taught course can have various formats. As part of the Forum, at the core is the idea to actively decolonize academic education by

- running a digital course for students from at least two locations across the North-South divide,
- together with a lecturer from the partner institution
- either addressing questions of decolonization directly or applying a decolonial approach or pedagogy.

Over the last three years, we have learned how rewarding these seminars are for students and lecturers in both the Global South and Cologne. Although lecturers and students also met challenges, joint learning across borders has many benefits and participants described it as extremely enriching. As we are a horizontally organized group and there is very limited institutional support by the university, to run a co-teaching course is up to your dedication and our collective support.

So far, we ran courses as lecturers. This often is a prerequisite to see the classes fit within the course outline of a specific programme. However, we would also like to encourage student-run initiatives – inviting lecturers or running autonomous seminars – they always existed!

Please let us know if you are planning or wish to run a course with a colleague located at a university in the Global South. If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. Also let us know if you would like to be included in the work of the Group (newsletter etc.)!

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