American Studies Colloquium Series invites young researchers, PhD students, and advanced track MA students to a seminar with Prof. Kenneth M. Roberts from Cornell University. The seminar will take place on May 10, 2018 at 4pm in room 319 at the American Studies Center, Al. Niepodległości 22.

"Populism and Party System Transformation: Latin America in Comparative Perspective"

This seminar explores the emergence of different sub-types of populism, comparing the Latin American experience to that in Europe and even now the United States under Trump. Some of the topics to be covered include the relationship between populism and crises of political representation (in particular party systems), as well as the grounding of different sub-types of populism in distinct varieties of capitalism. Populisms of the left and the right (or "inclusionary" and "exclusionary" forms) will be compared along their different axes of economic and socio-cultural competition. Special attention will be given to the ways in which emerging populisms realign and transform conventional modes of political competition and representation, as seen quite dramatically in the contemporary U.S.

Reading materials:

Kenneth M. Roberts, "Populism and Political Parties" (from The Oxford Handbook of Populism), "Bipolar Disorders: Varieties of Capitalism and Subtypes of Populism in Latin America and Europe" (forthcoming) and "Left, Right, and the Populist Structuring of Political Competition" (forthcoming)

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