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„Tribe and State in Central Asia“:

This course focuses on more advanced students (that is students in their third or fourth year). Using Afghanistan, in particular my own research materials on the Qataghan-Uzbeks of NE Afghanistan and their relation to the Afghan state as a case study, I try to look into the question whether the developed ideas on state and tribe relations in the anthropology of the Middle East are really a valid framework to analyze politics in multi-ethnic states like Afghanistan or the Central Asian Republics.

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