



***Roundtable : (Neo)liberal-democratic
backsliding and the western(ized)
university. Can it, and ought it, be
saved by critical feminist theory and
practices?***

With the participation of :

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*The roundtable will be moderated by Dr. **Kwaku Adomako**
(University of Bern) and accompanied by a poetry interlude
by Dr. **Muneeb Ul Lateef Bandy** (University of Bern).*

Date: Friday, 6 November 2026 - 6:30–8:00 pm

Venue: University of Neuchâtel, Espace Tilo-Frey 1,
Room R.E.48

Format: In person and online





The Swiss Association for Gender Studies' research network on Globalization, Race and Alterity within and beyond the University (GRAU) is organizing this panel discussion. GRAU invites panellists to discuss how critical feminist scholarship can help us address the relationship between academic freedom in "western(ized)" universities across the globe and the violence of our present moment. As we are in the midst of what can be termed a (neo)liberal-democratic backsliding, how can we (re)assert higher education as a viable vehicle through which to speak truth to power?

***If you wish to attend the event in person or online, please register by sending an email to :
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