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(Post(colonial) London: Memory, Mobility and Surveillance

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Rooted in the colonial infrastructures of trade, labor and capital, London is a postcolonial city mediated by the afterlives of empire. Its streets and institutions are indexes of imperial grandeur while its museums, monuments and archives are repositories of colonial narratives, whether silenced or acknowledged. Yet London is also a cosmopolitan metropolis, the most surveilled city in the world where ease of movement and thriving business contrast with the residues of imperial bureaucracy (now digitized), and a system of internal and external border controls. London's diverse communities actively redirect the colonialist lines of sight, inscribing alternative memories into the cityscape, counter-memorializing monuments, reclaiming public space and reframing London as a contact zone of global south diasporas. This course combines class discussion, walking tours, and on-site guest lectures with critical and creative analysis of London as both an interface and a lived space. Professor Eva Woods Peiró, Resident Director.