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This seminar provides the opportunity for sharing research on critical and unsettling issues in the field of Indigenous studies, including debates over retributive justice, restitution, and the legal, political, and moral consequences of the acknowledgment of past wrongs; the ramifications of the right to self-determination for Indigenous Peoples; tensions between collective and individual identities and human rights; and questions surrounding the relationship between Western and Indigenous epistemologies, ontologies, and methodologies. Discussions revolve around contentious and emerging issues in the field and contribute to its ongoing advancement.

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2025–2026 MEETINGS

October 15 — *Indigenous Peoples in the International Arena: The Global Movement for Self-Determination*
Elsa Stamatopoulou, Columbia University
Discussant: **Tim Wyman-McCarthy**, Columbia University

November 19 — *Bridging Indigenous Peoples' Perspectives and UN Leadership: My Journey as an Indigenous Woman*
Mirian Masaquiza Jerez, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
Respondent: **Elsa Stamatopoulou**, Columbia University

March 10 — *Indigenous Hip Hop as Edutainment and Decolonizing Practice*
Renzo S. Aroni Sulca, New York University

March 30 — *Indigenous Studies without Guarantees*
Lou Cornum, New York University

April 6 — *By the Rivers' Shores: Indigenous Interdependence in Times of Crisis*
Paulina Pineda, New York University

April 13 — *Indigenous Studies in Dark Times*
Shannon Speed, University of California Los Angeles
Shane Dillingham, Arizona State University

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