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The Study of Certain Areas or "Area Studies"

at the University of Tokyo

地域の研究と「地域研究」一東京大学におけるその誕生と今後のゆくえ

The discussions on the topic "what are area studies" have frequently occurred without reaching any consensus. This presentation seeks one of the reasons for this situation by indicating the existence of two opposing methodological stances existing among scholars in this field—that is, on the one hand,



"studying certain areas" in combination with existing disciplines and, on the other hand, doing "Area Studies" as an independent, interdisciplinary, and innovative activity. Examples analyzed include the founding and development of the Faculty of Letters, The Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia, College/Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Tokyo. Further, challenges faced as well as the prospects of the study are described.

- **♦** Date : November 13 (Thu), 17:00-18:00
- ◆ Speaker: Emi Goto (Assistant Professor, The University of Tokyo)

 Comment by Eiji Nagasawa (Professor, The University of Tokyo)
- **♦** Venue : Lobby, Ground floor, Tobunken

* The presentation will be in Japanese.

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