

# RESEARCH BRIEFS IN GLOBAL STUDIES

Fall 2018

Location for both sessions: **Humanities Center, Knauss Hall**

*Brought to you by the Global and International Studies Program (GIST)*

**Wednesday, October 10, 4 to 5 p.m.**

*Propaganda and the State*

With Tom Kostrzewa and Anna Popkova

Kostrzewa (pictured right, above; GIST) will discuss China's security campaigns to control minority populations and vital resources in Tibet and Xinjiang.

Popkova's (pictured right, below; Communication) research focuses on the Russian transitional organization, Open Russia, and their efforts to contest Russian narratives by the Russian government along with those that exist outside of Russia.



**Wednesday, November 28, 4 to 5 p.m.**

*Globalisms and South Asian Literature*

With Todd Kuchta and Nathan Tabor



Kuchta (pictured left, above; English) will discuss recent fiction from South Asia that imagines how capitalism and ecological crises are reshaping the region's position in the world. Tabor (pictured left, below; History) will introduce how Persian-educated intellectuals understood the geographies of India, Central Asia, and the Middle East in the early modern period.

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