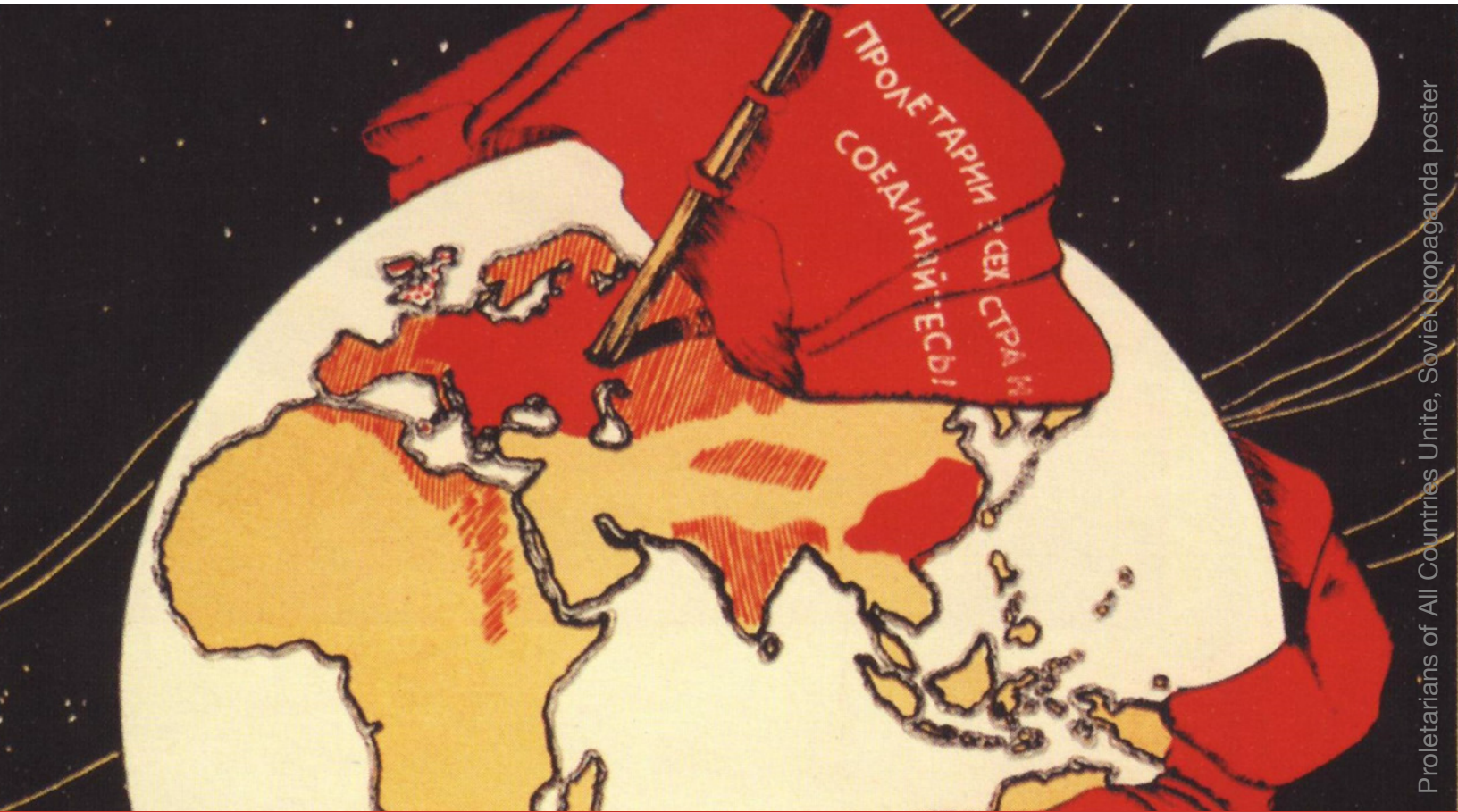


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Politics of Russia and the Former Soviet Union

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Join us to learn about one of the most intriguing and puzzling societies.

Russia still plays an outsized role in the ever-changing geopolitical landscape, especially as an oppressor state that systematically violates the territorial integrity of its neighbors.

Russia is indeed a multifaceted society with complicated historical legacies of imperialism, communism, and ever-growing authoritarian and nationalist tendencies.

In this course, we will address these issues by examining contemporary political problems in the region from a situated perspective.