

Winter Semester 2019/20

Courses in English at the Faculty of Social Sciences

for Incoming Master Students

An overview of all courses (German and English) is available via the regular course catalogue¹. At the Faculty of Social Sciences, all courses are generally open for ERASMUS+ students (with some exceptions, e.g. the second part of a course from the last term). Bachelor students should register for courses on a B.A. level and Master students for courses on a M.A. level. However, advanced Bachelor students have the opportunity to register for seminars on a M.A. level as well.

	Course title	Course instructor/s	Course programme	Seminar type
1	Animals and Society in East Asia	Alisha Faith Gao M.A.	Political Science, Sociology, Political Theory, International Studies/ Peace and Conflict Studies ²	Seminar ³
2	Bioeconomies - Elements of a Political Economy of Life	Prof. Dr. Thomas Lemke	Political Science, Sociology, Gender Studies, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
3	Black Studies. A Critical Introduction	Vanessa Thompson M.A.	Political Science, Sociology, Gender Studies, Political Theory, ISFK	Seminar
4	Contemporary Political Theory	Dr. Maria Paola Ferretti	Political Science, Political Theory	Seminar
5	Contemporary Racisms	Prof. Dr. Kira Kosnick	Political Science, Sociology, Gender Studies, Political Theory, ISFK	Seminar
6	Climate History (TUD)⁴	Dr. Heli Huhtamaa	ISFK	Übung ⁵
7	Datafication	Dr. Petra Ilyes	Sociology	Seminar
8	Democracy in the Digital Age	Dr. Rikki Dean	Political Science, Sociology, Political Theory, ISFK	Seminar
9	Elective: "Civil Society and Philanthropy in East Asia"	Bertram Lang M.A.	Political Science, ISFK, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
10	Frontiers of Socioeconomic Justice	Dr. Brian Milstein	Political Science, Political Theory	Seminar
11	Gender and Work among new parents in Europe	Prof. Dr. Daniela Grunow	Political Science, Sociology, Gender Studies	Seminar
12	Global Development Politics (TUD)	Prof. Dr. Markus Lederer	Political Theory, ISFK	Seminar
13	Human rights and environmental protection: theory and practice (TUD)	Maria-Artemis Kolliniati	Political Theory	Seminar
14	Indian foreign policy in a multipolar world	Dr. Johannes Plagemann	Political Science, ISFK	Seminar
15	Integrated Water Resources Management (integrierte Wasserwirtschaft) (TUD)	Prof. Dr. Britta Schmalz; Dr. Marion Kruse; Dominik Scholand M.A.	ISFK	Vorlesung ⁶

16	Life and Death after the Posthuman Turn - Implications for Sociological Theory	Franziska Verschuer M.A.	Sociology	Seminar
17	Nation-state, Nation and Nationalism in Iran (TUD)	Dr. Homayun Alam	ISFK	Seminar
18	Polarization vs. Moderation – Causes and consequences of party polarization in Western democracies	Dr. Markus Baumann	Political Science	Seminar
19	Political Philosophy and Political Institutions (TUD)	Daria Glukhova	Political Theory, ISFK	Seminar
20	Readings in Research Design	Bastiaan Bruinsma Ph.D.	Political Science, Sociology, ISFK, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
21	Research Training Part I and II: Applied Statistical Modelling for Social Science Research	Prof. Dr. Constantin Ruhe	Political Science, Sociology, ISFK, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
22	Research Training (Part I & Part II): Attitudes towards Social Inequalities	Zsófia Ignác Ph.D.	Sociology, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
23	Research Training I and II: Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) and Fuzzy Sets	Prof. Dr. Claudius Wagemann	Political Science, Sociology, ISFK, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
24	Research Training Part I and II: Quantitative comparative social research with multi-level modeling	Dr. Christian Czymara	Political Science, Sociology, ISFK, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
25	‘Taking time seriously’: exploring conceptualisations of time and temporality in work	Prof. Dr. Adrian Madden	Sociology, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
26	Theory of Economic Sociology I: Classical Contributions	Prof. Dr. Alexander Ebner	Political Science, Sociology, Political Theory, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
27	The Outsourced Self: Normative, legal and ethical aspects of the commodification of the private	Prof. Dr. Helma Lutz	Political Science, Sociology, Gender Studies, Political Theory, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
28	The Social Stratification of Time in Paid Work, Housework, and Childcare	Tomás Cano M.A.	Sociology, Gender Studies, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
29	The Sustainable Development Goals and New Technologies (TUD)	Prof. Dr. Jens Steffek; Miranda Loli	ISFK	Seminar

30	'The Zeitgeist': Contemporary concepts and themes in the sociology of work	Prof. Dr. Adrian Madden	Sociology, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar
31	Understanding Brexit: Identity and Euroscepticism in Europe	Dr. Charlotte Galpin	Political Science, Sociology, Gender Studies, ISFK, Economic Sociology and Sociology of Finance, Economic Sociology	Seminar Blockseminar ⁷
32	Water in China's Domestic Politics and International Relations	Dr. Sebastian Biba	Political Science, Political Theory, ISFK	Seminar

¹ **Note:** Please note that the course catalogue is still subject to change. We recommend having a look at the final [course offer](#) shortly before the beginning of the semester.

² Instead of *International Relations/Peace and Conflict Research* subsequently the German abbreviation "**ISFK**" is used.

³ **Seminar:** An advanced course on a **Master level** that teaches and provides scientific knowledge. Current problems are being discussed by applying scientific methods. Usually, active participation is mandatory and attendance can be restricted. If you only attend, you will gain 3 ECTS. If you take an exam/paper, you will gain **8 ECTS**.

⁴ The course is offered in cooperation with and at the Technische Universität Darmstadt (**TUD**).

⁵ **Übung:** Takes place in addition to a Vorlesung. There will be reviews of the course material as well as preparation for upcoming examinations.

⁶ **Vorlesung:** Lectures illustrate and provide an overview of basic, expert and methodological knowledge regarding a specialized area/field. Lecturers mainly teach content by giving a larger presentation. However they also aim at including student input. Usually, attendance is not restricted.

⁷ **Blockseminar:** A short intensive seminar that takes place in a continuous period of a few days, more rarely for a few weeks. Often, a certain weekday or a half a day as a block time is also offered for several months. Blockseminars may include e.g. laboratory and field exercises, subject-related excursions, post-graduate courses. The examinations are often taken directly at the end of the time block, sometimes they are divided into thematic examination blocks.