

Summer Semester 2020

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 |
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| 1 | Applied data analysis contrasting SPSS, STATA and R | Zsófia Ignácz Ph.D. | Political Science, Sociology | Seminar ² |
| 2 | Capitalism, Welfare, and Inequality Worldwide | Prof. Dr. Julian Garritzmann | Political Science, Sociology | Seminar |
| 3 | China's International Development Policies | Bertram Lang M.A. | Political Science, Sociology, Economic Sociology, ISFK ³ | Seminar |
| 4 | Commodities, infrastructures, and violence: a view to resource chains in western Civilization | Susana Carmona Castillo M.A. | Political Science, Political Theory, Sociology | Seminar |
| 5 | Comparative Policies on Work-Family Balance | Tomás Cano Ph.D. | Political Science, Sociology, Economic Sociology | Seminar |
| 6 | Ecosocialism. Theories, Concepts, Case Studies | Prof. Dr. Thomas Scheffer, Markus Rudolphi M.A. | Political Theory, Sociology, Economic Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 7 | Emergency and Exception | Dr. Brian Milstein | Political Science, Political Theory, Sociology | Seminar |
| 8 | Forced Migration and International Relations (TUDa)⁴ | Ilena Nicolau M.A. | Political Theory, ISFK | Seminar |
| 9 | Forschungs- und Examenskolloquium/Research and Examination colloquium | Prof. Dr. Thomas Lemke, Dr. Susanne Schulz | Sociology | Kolloquium ⁵ |
| 10 | Global Development Politics (TUDa) | Prof. Dr. Markus Lederer | Political Theory, ISFK | Seminar |
| 11 | Global Energy Politics (TUDa) | Prof. Dr. Markus Lederer | Political Theory, ISFK | Seminar |
| 12 | Governing Mobility: Imaginaries, Technologies and Contestations | Laura Otto M.A. | Sociology | Seminar |
| 13 | Human Rights Theories (TUDa) | Dr. Maria-Artemis Kolliniati | Political Theory, ISFK | Seminar |
| 14 | Inside International Organizations (TUDa) | Dr. Leonie Holthaus | Political Theory, ISFK | Seminar |
| 15 | International Political Theory | Dr. Dimitrios Efthymiou | Political Science, Political Theory, Sociology, Economic Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 16 | Intersectionality Controversies | Prof. Dr. Bettina Kleiner, Prof. Dr. Helma Lutz | Sociology | Seminar |
| 17 | Kolloquium: Biographieforschung und Kulturanalyse / Biographical Research and Cultural Analysis | Prof. Dr. Ursula Apitzsch, Prof. Dr. Lena Inowlocki | Political Science, Sociology | Kolloquium |

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| 18 | Making Kin, Not Population? - Biopolitics, Racism, and Science in the Face of Extinction | Dr. Josef Barla | Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 19 | Memorializing Violence: Transnational Feminist Conversations | Prof. Dr. Uta Ruppert | Political Science, Political Theory, Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 20 | Money, finance and the Global South | TBA ⁶ | Political Science, Political Theory, Sociology, Economic Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 21 | Multivariate data analysis with R | Zsófia Ignác Ph.D. | Political Science, Sociology, Economic Sociology | Seminar |
| 22 | Political Realism and its Critics | Dr. Ilaria Cozzaglio | Political Science, Political Theory, Economic Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 23 | Principal Component Analysis and Correspondence Analysis | Bastiaan Bruinsma Ph.D. | Political Science, Sociology, Economic Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 24 | Regime Change: Democratization and Democratic Backsliding (TUDa) | TBA | ISFK | Seminar |
| 25 | Research Training Part I: Doing Climate Discourse: Also an Introduction into Ethnomethodological Research Strategies | Prof. Dr. Thomas Scheffer | Political Science, Sociology, Economic Sociology, STS ⁷ | Seminar |
| 26 | Risk governance in times of global change: how to manage the impacts of climate change? (TUDa) | Swenja Surminski M.A. | ISFK | Blockseminar ⁸ |
| 27 | Social Justice and Solidarity in the EU | Dr. Dimitrios Efthymiou | Political Science, Political Theory, Sociology, Economic Sociology, ISFK | Seminar |
| 28 | Social Life in the Cold: Cryotechnologies and Society | Dr. Veit Braun, Dr. Sara Lafuente Funes, Ruzana Liburkina M.A. | Sociology, STS, Environmental Science | Seminar |
| 29 | Sociology of Markets with a Focus on Digitalization | Prof. Dr. Barbara Brandl | Sociology, Economic Sociology | Seminar |
| 30 | The European Union- Turkey Relations (TUDa) | Mehmet Oezcan Ph.D. | ISFK | Seminar |
| 31 | Theory of Economic Sociology II: Current Discussions | Prof. Dr. Alexander Ebner | Political Science, Sociology, Economic Sociology | Blockseminar |
| 32 | The Philosophy of Representative Democracy | Dr. Marcus Carlsen Häggrot | Political Science, Political Theory, Sociology, Economic Sociology, 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 **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**.

³ Instead of *International Relations/Peace and Conflict Research* subsequently the German abbreviation “**ISFK**” is used.

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

⁵ **Kolloquium:** *A seminar where (advanced) students present and discuss their B.A. or M.A. proposals, research questions and/or findings.*

⁶ **TBA:** *To be announced*

⁷ **STS:** *Science and Technology Studies. A MA program of the Institute for Cultural Anthropology and European Ethnology.*

⁸ **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.*

Credit points

At the Faculty of Social Sciences students can achieve: 3 ECTS for attendance and participation (e.g. attendance and presentation) and additional 4 (or 5) ECTS for an exam/paper. Accordingly, you will get a maximum of 7 ECTS credit points for a course on Bachelor level and 8 ECTS for a course on Master level.

It is highly recommended to clarify with the lecturer at the beginning of each course which requirements are needed to accomplish 3 ECTS or 7 (8) ECTS. If you do not want to take an exam/paper, you will not get a grade for this class (only a certificate of attendance).