



European Studies in Global Perspectives

Course Overview

Winter Term 2022/23

Cluster 1: Society, Economy, and Politics

Mandatory Modules

lan510 – Language 1 and Culture	first semester	12 ECTS
lan520 – Language 2	second semester	9 ECTS

Elective Modules

sow928 – Labour Market and Collective Decision-Making	6 ECTS
sow250 – Specialized Subject	6 ECTS
wir520 – Internationale and EU Economic Law	6 ECTS
wir815 – Modern Transformations of International and EU Economic Law	6 ECTS
wir390 – Financial Management	6 ECTS

Elective Modules

wir823 – International Finance and Exchange Rate Economics	6 ECTS
wir837 – Advanced Corporate Finance	6 ECTS
wir839 – Financial Statement Analysis and Equity Valuation	6 ECTS
wir902 – Perspectives and Instruments of Corporate Sustainability	6 ECTS
wir911 – Advanced Topics of Sustainability Economics	6 ECTS

lan510 – Language 1 and Culture (first semester)			
3.02.998	Seminar: Multiple Imaginations: Germany's Pasts and Presents	Dr. Sunday Omwenyeke, Tobias Linnemann	Fri., 27 Jan.: 16:00–20:00; Sat., 28 Jan., and Sun., 29 Jan.: 10:00–19:00 room: tba ECTS: 3 CP
<p>Contents:</p> <p>In this seminar, we will work on different narratives about and representations of what is imagined – in different times and under different (political, social, economic) circumstances – as ‘Germany’. We will explore what ‘Germany’ supposedly is and gain a deeper understanding of it. With a cultural studies perspective we will look at what and who is represented by whom as ‘German(y)’, who and what is excluded by the narratives, what the specific circumstances for specific narratives are, and which counter-narratives can be found.</p> <p>The aim of the seminar is not to study what is called ‘Germany’ or ‘Europe’ but to learn about representation and perspectives of (multiple) self-imaginings, how they are constructed in different narratives and which functions these imaginings serve.</p> <p>In the context of this seminar, we do a joint study trip to the Auswandererhaus in Bremerhaven to explore different narratives and representations about Germany’s past and present. With a selection of texts and short films we will examine issues of exclusion and inclusion, and their implications.</p>			
###	Exercise: Language Courses (A1.1 - B2.2)*	Language Center	date, time: tba room: tba ECTS: 9 CP
*You will have a German placement test organized by the Sprachenzentrum in the International Orientation Week to determine which course level is appropriate.			

lan520 – Language 2 (optional second semester)			
###	Excercise: Language Courses (A1.2 - B2.2)	Language Center	date, time: tba room: tba ECTS: 9 CP

sow928 – Labour Market and Collective Decision-Making

1.07.251	Seminar: Labour Market and Collective Decision	Prof. Dr. Markus Tepe	Tue.: 10:15–11:45 A06 4-411 ECTS: 6 CP
1.07.252	Working Group: Labour Market and Collective Decision		tba in the seminar
<p>Please note: the seminar 1.07.251 and the working group 1.07.252 need to be studied together.</p>			

sow250 – Specialized Subject

1.07.117	Lecture: Place, Identity and Society (Social Geography)	Dr. Jennifer Turner, Prof. Dr. Kimberley Turner (Peters), please use Peters	Thu.: 14:15–15:45 A04 4-411 ECTS: 3 CP
<p>Contents: Our lives do not happen outside of a geographical context. Our everyday existence happens in places - in the city where we live, the street, our house, the lecture room, the pub or the café. This course provides a critical introduction to Social Geography, focusing on the relations between place, identity and society. Geography - or place - as this course will reveal, matters to how our identities are understood and our position in society at large. Our identities come to define how we may belong in place, or may be situated as different, and 'out of place'. Our identities - and where they play out - can be trivial, or they can be a matter of life and death.</p> <p>The course will cover a range of key concepts, current debates and contemporary issues in Social Geography. The course outlines current geographical thinking about social geographies of place, scale, identity and power. It will also provide a series of 'lenses' for thinking about these themes through representations; practices; mobility; struggles and hope for the future. Indeed, drawing examples from around the world and at a variety of geographical scales, the module explores the contested nature of our social world and conflicting meanings of our place within it.</p>			

Elective Modules - Cluster 1

sow250 – Specialized Subject			
1.07.1171	Seminar: Contested Spaces (Social Geography)	Dr. Jennifer Turner, Prof. Dr. Kimberley Turner (Peters), please use Peters	Thu.: 16:15–17:45 A04 4-411 ECTS: 3 CP
	<p>Contents:</p> <p>Geography is the study of the world around us. At its heart, it is a discipline which takes ‘space’ and place (see the course ‘Place, Identity and Society’) seriously. Our lives do not happen outside of a geographical - spatial - context. Yet spaces around us - the university, city, square parks and gardens, streets, our house, the lecture room, the pub or the café - are full of contestations as different people occupy and use space. The contestation of space is a central concern of Social Geography. Accordingly, this course provides a critical introduction to Social Geography, focusing on power-filled engagements between people and the spaces around us. The course will introduce the notion of ‘contestation’ before working through 10+ spaces where geographical contestation occurs and where power shapes space and the way people are able or unable to occupy it or use it. The course allows student to reflect on the range of everyday spaces that are sites of conflict and control, and to be able to explain why geography matters to making sense of those contestations.</p> <p>The course is designed to encourage students to become actively involved in their learning - to engage with a set of readings and activities - and to think critically about how the world around them is shaped by spaces of contestation.</p>		
<p>Please note: the lecture 1.07.117 and the seminar 1.07.1171 need to be studied together.</p>			

wir520 – International and EU Economic Law			
2.08.221	Lecture: Advanced Lectures in European Economic Law (BA level)	Dr. Jur. Victoria Chege, LL.M.Eur.	Tue.: 12:15–13:45 A14 1-103 ECTS: 3 CP
2.08.222	Lecture: International Economic Law (BA Level)	Dr.Jur. Victoria Chege, LL.M.Eur.; Sören Damm	Tue.: 14:15–15:45 A14 1-103 ECTS: 3 CP
	<p>Contents: This lecture will serve as a general introduction to fields of Public International Law („Völkerrecht“) and, building on that, International Economic Law. On a substantive level, the aim is to put you in a position where you can follow and critically assess issues of global significance about which you read in the media (e.g. Trade wars, the multilateral world order, international organizations etc.). While the focus will be on the law and policy of the WTO, some consideration will also be given to the Bretton Woods institutions (IMF, World Bank). On a practical level, the lecture and the corresponding examination (presentation+essay based on that) shall enable you to develop and substantiate critical arguments of your own after careful inquiry into a particular subject area (there will be a list of topics and you will also be able to come up with your own). As the lecture will be held in English, you may also use it as a „testing ground“ for further developing you language skills. There will be a tutorial to assist you with questions surrounding your presentation and your paper.</p>		
2.08.223	Tutorial: International and EU Economic Law (BA Level)	tba	Thu.: 18:15–19:45 A07 0-030 ECTS: 3 CP

wir815 – Modern Transformations of International and EU Economic Law			
2.02.691	Lecture: Modern Transformations of Intern. and EU Econ. Law (MA level)	Dr.Jur. Victoria Chege, LL.M.Eur.	Thu.: 16:15–19:45 V04 0-033 ECTS: 6 CP
<p>Please note: In order to participate in this module, you should have knowledge in International and EU Economic Law</p>			

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wir390 – Financial Management			
2.02.343	Lecture: Financial Management (BA level)	Prof. Dr. Jörg Prokop	Tue.: 08:15–09:45 A05 0-056 ECTS: 3 CP
<p>Contents: The course covers both theoretical and empirical aspects of (corporate) financial management. Upon completion of the course, students should be able to determine a firm's cost of capital, and to make informed investment decisions under uncertainty, know how, and under which conditions, capital structure decisions influence firm value, have acquired a solid understanding of alternative sources of long-term financing, and be familiar with both the use and the limits of financial models used in decision making.</p>			
2.02.344	Exercise: Financial Management (BA Level)	Dandan Wang	Thu.: 12:15–13:45 online ECTS: 3 CP
<p>Please note: In order to participate in this module, you have to have knowledge in Finance (Management) at least on the level of wir082.</p>			

wir823 – International Finance and Exchange Rate Economics			
2.02.841	Lecture: International Finance and Monetary Economics (MA Level)	Nils Vitu	Wed.: 12:15–13:45 A05 0-055 ECTS: 3 CP
2.02.842	Seminar: International Finance and Exchange Rates (MA Level)	Nils Vitu	Wed., 26 Oct.: 18:30–20:00, Fri., 20 Jan.: 12:30–18:15, and Fri. 27 Jan.: 10:15–15:45 V03 0-C001 ECTS: 3 CP

wir837 – Advanced Corporate Finance

2.02.961	Lecture: Advanced Corporate Finance (MA level)	Prof. Dr. Jörg Prokop	Tue.: 12:15–13:45 A13 0-028 ECTS: 3 CP
<p>Contents:</p> <p>The course provides insights into the empirical analysis of firms’ financing and investment decisions. We discuss theoretical foundations of long-term financing, capital structure choice, cost of capital determination, capital market efficiency, and corporate takeover decisions as well as respective empirical findings. Moreover, you will learn how to build financial models, handle financial data, and conduct financial analyses using the statistical software R.</p> <p>This is an advanced course in empirical corporate finance. When taking this course you should already know how and why to determine net present values of bonds and shares, and how to read financial statements. Further, you should be familiar with the terms cost of capital, diversification, correlation coefficient, and standard deviation. I will briefly review these concepts, but if you feel you might need a more intense refresher, I recommend attending the BA course “wir390 Financial Management” concurrently, where most of these concepts are discussed in detail. In addition, the course requires you to be open to working with econometric models and software tools.</p>			
2.02.962	Exercise: Advanced Corporate Finance (MA Level)	Prof. Dr. Jörg Prokop	Mon.: 08:15–09:45 A04 1-139 ECTS: 3 CP

Please note: In order to participate in this module, you have to have knowledge in Finance (Management) at least on the level of wir082 (preferably wir390).

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wir839 – Financial Statement Analysis and Equity Valuation			
2.02.971	Lecture: Financial Statement Analysis and Equity Valuation (MA level)	Prof. Dr. Jörg Prokop	Mon.: 10:15–11:45 A05 0-056 ECTS: 3 CP
Contents: With a stock market bubble and a financial crisis in our recent history, there have been increasing calls to “return to fundamentals.” This is a course on fundamental analysis. The primary emphasis is on equity (share) valuation, with a focus on developing and applying methods for valuing firms using financial statement analysis.			
2.02.972	Exercise: Financial Statement Analysis and Equity Valuation (MA Level)	Matthias Walting, M.A.	Wed.: 14:15–15:45 A05 0-054 ECTS: 3 CP
Please note: In order to participate in this module, you have to have knowledge in Finance (Management) at least on the level of wir082 (preferably wir390).			

wir902 – Perspectives and Instruments of Corporate Sustainability			
2.02.021	Lecture: Perspectives and Instruments of Corporate Sustainability	Prof. Dr. Bernd Siebenhüner, Sophie Berg, Dr. Hendrik Wolter	Thu.: 12:15–13:45 A01 0-008 ECTS: 3 CP
2.02.022	Seminar: Perspectives and Instruments of Corporate Sustainability	Sophie Berg, Dr. Hendrik Wolter	Thu.: 14:15–15:45 V03 0-D002/online ECTS: 3 CP

wir911 – Advanced Topics of Sustainability Economics			
2.12.092	Lecture: Economics of Climate Change	Prof. Dr. Christoph Böhringer	Mon.: 10:15–11:45 V04 0-033 ECTS: 3 CP
2.12.093	Exercise: Economics of Climate Change	Prof. Dr. Christoph Böhringer	Tue.: 10:15–11:45 A05 0-056 ECTS: 3 CP



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