

English Courses of the PPE Program

Title of the course	Title of the class (format of the class) ECTS course (ECTS exam)	Short class description by the lecturer
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Winter Semester 2022/23

PHILOSOPHY

Course Theoretical Philosophy	Epistemology (lecture) 2 ECTS (+2 ECTS)	This course is an introduction to epistemology, the philosophical study of knowledge. We have various kinds of knowledge of everyday matters, scientific discoveries, historical facts, and so on. In this course we examine these and relates questions and learn about some of the most important ideas and concepts in epistemology that have been developed by analytic philosophers to help answer them.
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POLITICAL SCIENCES

Advanced Course Political Sciences	Election Fraud and Electoral Integrity (seminar) 2 ECTS (+4 ECTS)	In this course we examine the phenomenon of election fraud and the mare of the stolen vote in the US presidential election and shed light on the role of (alternative) media, conspiracy theory and mistrust in politics.
	The Political Economy of Development (seminar) 2 ECTS (+4 ECTS)	The course aims at introducing the academic study of development. We talk about major trends and changes in the development theory and their bearings on development policy and practice, critically discuss concepts of development and the emergence and evolution of paradigms in development thinking.
Course Leadership and Processes	Security and Securitization (seminar) 2 ECTS (+3 ECTS)	The seminar will give an introduction into major concepts of securitization theory (i.e., threat design, threat management). It will do so by making use of different policy fields based on the analysis of prominent speech acts and its different outcomes (e.g., unintended effects of Bush's Patriot Act with regard to civil liberties).
Course Individual and Collective Decisions	Comparative Welfare State Analysis: Origins and Challenges (seminar) 2 ETCS (+3 ECTS)	This seminar introduces the extensive literature on the emergence, establishment, and current developments of the welfare state as a political-economic system of risk protection and redistribution. The aim of this seminar is to introduce participants to a central research field of political economy and to enable them to critically examine policy reforms in the field of social policy.

ECONOMIC SCIENCES

Course Economics I	<p>Microeconomics (lecture)</p> <p>9 ECTS ! Including another lecture and a tutorial !</p>	<p>The lecture deals with the following topics: decisions of households and companies, price formation, market failures and government interventions in markets. Students will apply those mathematical concepts to related questions.</p>
Course Leadership and Processes	<p>Foundations of Institutional Economics (seminar)</p> <p>2 ECTS (+3 ECTS)</p>	<p>The seminar focuses on the New Institutional Economics, which examines why certain institutions exist and how these institutions influence economic behavior. Central assumptions are the limited rationality of individuals and their opportunistic behavior.</p>