Module manual M.A. Applied Methods of Social Research

In this degree program, 1 CP = 30 hours.

Module name Englische Übersetzung ggf. Modulkürzel	**Inequality and Diversity** Inequality and Diversity
Module responsibility	Miquel Pellicer
Credit points	**6 CP**
Level	**Specialization**
Degree of obligation	**Compulsory elective**
Requirements for participation	None
Duration of the module	**One semester**
Frequency of the module; start	Frequency: **at least one seminar per semester** Ideal typical assignment: **1. FS oder 2. FS**
Usability of the module	M.A. Applied Methods of Social Research
Qualification objectives (skills)	After completing this module, students will be able to name the causes and consequences of political and social inequality; analyze the main controversies about how to deal with diversity; formulate their own research questions in this field and situate them theoretically and methodically.
Content (topic and contents)	The "Inequality and Diversity" module teaches students about the causes and effects of social, political and economic inequalities, as well as the significance of diversity in various social contexts. Students learn methodological skills to analyze and evaluate phenomena of inequality and diversity using qualitative and quantitative research approaches. Furthermore, the module provides knowledge of political science and sociological theories of inequality and the evaluation of strategies to promote equal opportunities and inclusion.
Type of course (format after KapVO, SWS)	Seminar (2 SWS)
Teaching and learning form	Skills are acquired through the didactic approach of dialog-focused and problem-oriented learning, which requires regular and

	active participation in class, as well as intensive self-study.
Language of teaching and examination	English
Requirements for awarding ECTS credit points (Type of examination, extent, duration, processing time)	**Coursework:** Presentation (individual or group presentation) **Module examination:** a) Term paper (approx. 27,000 characters / 15 pages) or b) Learning portfolio (approx. 27,000 characters / 15 pages) or c) Individual oral examination (15 minutes)
Grading	Module grading per § 28 AB (Master)
Amount of work	Preparation, follow-up and class attendance: 60 hours Preparation for and performance of coursework: 60 hours Preparation for and implementation of the examination for the module: 60 hours

Module name	Digital Societies
Englische Übersetzung	
ggf. Modulkürzel	Digital Societies
Module responsibility	Isabelle Borucki
Credit points	**6 CP**
Level	**Specialization**
Degree of obligation	**Compulsory elective**
Requirements for participation	None
Duration of the module	**One semester**
Frequency of the module; start	Frequency: at least one seminar per semester Ideal typical assingment: **1. FS oder 2.FS**
Usability of the module	M.A. Applied Methods of Social Research
Qualification objectives (Skills)	After completing the module, students will be able to reproduce and discuss various approaches and theories on the effects of digitization on politics and society, classify, methodically analyze and present specific phenomena of digitization; develop their own research idea in the field of digital societies and classify it methodically and theoretically.
Content (topic and contents)	The "Digital Societies" module imparts knowledge about the theoretical and empirical approaches to analyzing digitalization and its effects on politics and society. Topics such as the digitalization of work, digital inequalities, algorithmic governance, social media and their role in political discourse and the influence of digital technologies on democracy will be discussed. Students learn about various methodological approaches, such as computational social sciences and network analysis, applying these to their own questions.
Type of course (format after KapVO, SWS)	Seminar (2 SWS)
Teaching and learning form	Skills are acquired through the didactic approach of dialog-focused and problem-oriented learning, which requires regular and active participation in class, as well as intensive self-study.
Language of teaching and examination	English
Requirements for awarding ECTS credit points (Type of examination, extent, duration, processing time)	**Coursework:**

	Presentation (individual or group presentation) **Module examination:** a) Term paper (approx. 27,000 characters / 15 pages) or b) Learning portfolio (approx. 27,000 characters / 15 pages) or c) Individual oral examination (15 minutes)
Grading	Module grading per § 28 AB (Master)
Amount of work	Preparation, follow-up and class attendance: 60 hours Preparation for and performance of coursework: 60 hours Preparation for and implementation of the examination for the module: 60 hours

Module name	**International Politics and Conflict**
Englische Übersetzung	International Politics and Conflict
ggf. Modulkürzel	
Module responsibility	Eva Wegner
Credit points	**6 CP**
Level	**Specialization**
Degree of obligation	**Compulsory elective**
Requirements for participation	None
Duration of the module	**One semester**
Frequency of the module; start	Frequency: at least one seminar per semester Ideal typical assignment: **1. FS oder 2.FS**
Usability of the module	M.A. Applied Methods of Social Research
Qualification objectives (Skills)	After attending the seminar, students will be able to analyze and evaluate the dynamics and causes of international and local conflicts as well as the challenges of global politics; use current research findings and case studies to make well-founded assessments of complex political situations; critically question and reflect on existing theories and strategies.
Content (topic and contents)	The module "International Politics and Conflict" provides students with comprehensive knowledge of the theories, dynamics and challenges of international politics, as well as the causes and consequences of local and global conflicts. Participants will acquire methodological skills to analyze international relations and conflicts by applying qualitative and quantitative research methods. By examining the latest research findings and case studies, participants learn how to analyze complex conflicts. In addition, the topics covered in the module promote students' ability to reflect on existing explanatory approaches.
Type of course (format after KapVO, SWS)	Seminar (2 SWS)
Teaching and learning form	Skills are acquired through the didactic approach of dialog-focused and problem-oriented learning, which requires regular and

	active participation in class, as well as intensive self-study.
Language of teaching and examination	English
Requirements for awarding ECTS credit points (Type of examination, extent, duration, processing time)	**Coursework:** Presentation (individual or group presentation) **Module examination:** a) Term paper (approx. 27,000 characters / 15 pages) or b) Learning portfolio (approx. 27,000 characters / 15 pages) or c) Individual oral examination (15 minutes)
Grading	Module grading per § 28 AB (Master)
Amount of work	Preparation, follow-up and class attendance: 60 hours Preparation for and performance of coursework: 60 hours Preparation for and implementation of the examination for the module: 60 hours

Module name Englische Übersetzung ggf. Modulkürzel	**Master Thesis** Master Thesis
Module responsibility	Program manager
Credit points	**24 CP**
Level	**Final**
Degree of obligation	**Compulsory**
Prerequisites for participation	Tool-Kit for Research (12 LP) passed
Duration of the module	**One semester**
Frequency of the module; start	Frequency: every semester (summer and winter) Ideal typical assignment**: 2. FS**
Usability of the module	M.A. Applied Methods of Social Research
Qualification objectives (Skills)	After completing the module, students will be able to develop and implement a social science research design, apply methods and reflect on the research process as well as structure a scientific argument and follow the standards of scientific work.
Content (topic and contents)	Students will develop their own research project, thereby deepening their existing knowledge of scientific, scholarly and academic work by independently applying it to a topic of their choice.
Type of course (format after KapVO, SWS)	Colloquium (2 SWS)
Teaching and learning form	Working independently on the Master's Thesis under the supervision of a lecturer Regular exchange in the colloquium
Language of teaching and examination	English
Requirements for awarding ECTS credit points (Type of examination, extent, duration, processing time)	**Coursework:** Individual oral presentation **Examination performance:** Master's thesis (72,000-108,000 characters / 40-60 pages)
Grading	Module grading per § 28 AB (Master)
Amount of work	Preparation, follow-up and class attendance: 60 hours

| | Preparation for and performance of coursework: 90 hours |
| | Preparation for and implementation of the examination for the module: 570 hours |