

**EELP**

Ethics - Economics, Law  
& Politics

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# **MA Programme EELP COURSE SCHEDULE**

**SUMMER SEMESTER 2021**

<b>EELP I: Interdisciplinary Research and Methodology</b>		
030006	<b>Lecture Series EELP</b> 2hrs, Wed 18.15-19.45, online, ZOOM, Credits: 2 <i>mandatory for 1<sup>st</sup> semester students</i>	Steigleder, et al.
	<b>EELP Colloquium</b> Friday, 14.15-15.45, online <b>mandatory</b> for 2 <sup>nd</sup> (2 credits) and 4 <sup>th</sup> (4 credits) semester students	Steigleder
	<b>EELP Summer School:</b> TBA <b>mandatory</b> for 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester students (4 credits)	Pinzani (EELP Guest Professor, Brazil)
	<b>EELP Tandem Program:</b> work on the topic individually in teams during the semester; presentations at the summer school <b>mandatory</b> for 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester students (2 credits)	Pinzani (EELP Guest Professor)
030090	<b>Seminar: Theories of Rationality</b> Monday, 12.15-13.45, online, Moodle <b>mandatory</b> for 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester students (4 or 6 credits)	Bambauer
<b>EELP II: Practical Philosophy</b>		
030091	<b>Seminar: Basic Problems of Morality</b> Tuesday, 12.15-13.45, online, Moodle	Bambauer
030083	<b>Seminar: Intersectional Injustices</b> Wednesday, 14.15-15.45, online	Mosayebi
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<b>EELP III: Applied Ethics</b>		
	<b>Seminar: Economic Ethics</b> Monday, 14-18 or 19, online Depending on the number of participants the seminar group will be divided in 3 – 5 working groups; depending on the size of the groups one session will be around 60 minutes.	Steigleder
030105	<b>Seminar: Corporate Responsibility</b> Monday, 16.15-17.45, online	Keyserlingk
030106	<b>Seminar: The Ethics of of Migration</b> Wednesday, 16.15-17.45, online	Keyserlingk
	<b>Seminar: Social Suffering</b> Wednesday, 10.15-11.45, online	Pinzani (EELP Guest Professor)
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<b>EELP IVa: Economics</b>		
075005	<b>Lecture: Labor Economics</b> online without weekly schedule	Bauer
075015	<b>Compact Seminar: Empirical Environmental, Resource and Energy Economics</b> Introductory session: 30/04/2021, 10am, online Compact seminar: 30/07/2021, 10am – 4pm, RWI Essen	Frondel
075020	<b>Lecture. International Trade in International Economics</b> Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, online live	Kruse- Becher
075022	<b>Lecture: Growth and Development Economics</b> Monday, 12.15-13.45, online live	Löwenstein

075071	<b>Lecture: Public Economics</b> 13/04/2021, 14.15-15.45 introduction session, rest of semester online without weekly schedule	Knoll
075125	<b>Seminar: Advanced Energy Economics, Policy and Technology</b> online without weekly schedule	Weale
075225	<b>Lecture: Microeconomics II</b> digital lecture, Tuesday 10.15-11.45 (FAQ sessions)	Robledo
075242	<b>Lecture: Macroeconomics I</b> online without weekly schedule	D'Orazio
075243	<b>Tutorial: Macroeconomics I</b> Wednesday, 16.15-17.45, online live	
075250	<b>Lecture: Macroeconomics and Sustainability</b> Thursday, 14.15-15.45, online live	Roos
075275	<b>Lecture: Current Topics in Health Economics</b> TBA, RWI Essen	Wübker
075305	<b>Lecture: Structural Change and Global Value Chains</b> online without weekly schedule <b>Tutorial: Structural Change and Global Value Chains</b> Tuesday 10.15-11.45, online live	Saam
075310	<b>Lecture in German: Ökonomische Politikberatung in der Praxis</b> online without weekly schedule <b>Seminar and Tutorial in German: Ökonomische Politikberatung in der Praxis</b> Wednesday, 8.30-11.00, online live	Saam
<b>EELP IVb: Law</b>		
060080	<b>Lecture in German: Staatsrecht I (Grundrechte)</b> Monday, 11.30-13.00 and Tuesday, 14.00-15.30, online	Magen
060083	<b>Lecture in German: Staatsrecht II (Staatsorganisationsrecht)</b> Tuesday, 16:15 - 17:45, online Wednesday, 08:15 - 09:45, online	Krüper
060096	<b>Lecture in German: Gesundheitsrecht/ Beruferecht der Heilberufe</b> Tuesday, 8.15-9.45, GD 04/ 153	Prütting
060002	<b>Lecture in German: Allgemeine Staatslehre</b> Monday, 16.15-17.45, online	Ennuschat
060006	<b>Lecture: Analytical Legal Philosophy</b> Monday, 8:15 – 9.45, online	Magen
060101	<b>Lecture in German: Umwelt- und Klimaschutzrecht</b> Friday, 10.15-11.45, GD 04/ 153	Leidinger
<b>EELP IVc: Political Science</b>		
080364	<b>Seminar: Interests and Ideas in the Foreign Policy of EU Member States</b> Thursday, 10.15-11.45, online	Schirm
080366	<b>Seminar: Theory and Practice of Global Economic Governance</b> Thursday, 14.15-15.45, room: GD 2/156	Van Loon
090350	<b>Seminar: The Political Economy of International Finance in the People's Republic of China</b> Friday, 10.15-11.45, online	Gottwald
090353	<b>Seminar: New EU-China Security Relations (Neue EU-China Sicherheitsbeziehungen)</b> Thursday, 8.30 – 10:00, online	Bersick
080355	<b>Seminar: Interest Groups in Europe</b> Tuesday, 14-16, online	Eising
080325	<b>Seminar: Capitalism, Digitalization and Intersectional Inequalities</b> Compact Seminar (hybrid)	Zajak

<b>EELP Va: Research Module</b>		
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030132	<b>Forschungskolloquium in German: Aktuelle Themen der Praktischen Philosophie</b> Tuesday, 16.15-17.45, online	Mieth, Mosayebi
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## EELP I: Interdisciplinary Research and Methodology

030006

**Prof. Dr. Klaus Steigleder et al.**

**Lecture Series "Ethics-Economics, Law and Politics" (English)**

2hrs, Wed 18.15-19.45, online

Credits: 2

Start: 14/04/2021

*mandatory for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester EELP students*

In the lecture series the faculty members of the master's program "Ethics - Economics, Law, and Politics" (EELP) as well as invited speakers take turns giving talks on each of the focus topics of the EELP program from the perspective of their disciplines.

The program of the lecture series will be announced at the beginning of April.

### EELP Colloquium

Prof. Dr. Klaus Steigleder

Friday, 14.15-15.45, online

mandatory for 2<sup>nd</sup> (2 credits) and 4<sup>th</sup> semester students (4 credits)

start: 16/04/2020, registration via Email: eelp@rub.de

### EELP Summer School:

Prof. Dr. Alessandro Pinzani (EELP Guest Professor, University of Florianópolis, Brazil)

*date and room to be announced*

presentation and discussion; 4 credits

mandatory for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester students; registration via Email: eelp@rub.de

### EELP Tandem Program:

Prof. Dr. Alessandro Pinzani (EELP Guest Professor, University of Florianópolis, Brazil)

kick-off meeting: Friday, 16/04/2021, 9:00-10:00 via ZOOM (link will be distributed via Email); 2 credits

mandatory for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester students; registration via Email: eelp@rub.de

Within the kick-off meeting we will match the students' teams. After this session you will work independently on your chosen topics and you will prepare your presentations for the summer school. During the period of self-studying Prof. Dr. Pinzani will assist you.

030090

**Seminar: Theories of Rationality**

Prof. Dr. Christoph Bambauer

Monday, 12.15-13.45, online

mandatory for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester students; 4 or 6 credits

Start: 12/04/2020, registration through eCampus

*Content:* In this seminar we will discuss different concepts and theories of rationality which are of fundamental importance for scientific deliberation in the fields of philosophy, economics, sociology and political theory. This includes the difference of theoretical and practical forms of rationality, the concepts of explanation and justification, and the rationality of emotions.

*Literature:* will be announced in the first session (texts will be uploaded in Moodle)

**EELP II: Practical Philosophy**

030091

**Seminar: Basic Problems of Morality**

Prof. Dr. Christoph Bambauer

Tuesday, 12.15-13.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus

Start: 13/04/2021

*Content:* Moral Philosophy has a long-standing tradition and is regarded as valuable and even necessary for the most part. However, there are other tendencies in ethical research that primarily focus on the challenges and problems that often go hand in hand with philosophical thinking about morality and its implications. In our seminar we will read and analyze various texts that explicitly deal with those challenges and problems. Hence, we will discuss topics like moral skepticism, the justification of ethical theory as such, the problem of defining "morality", moral motivation, and the challenge of intercultural ethics.

*Literature:* will be announced in the first session (texts will be uploaded in Moodle)

030083

**Seminar: Intersectional Injustices**

Dr. Reza Mosayebi

Wednesday, 14.15-15.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus or via Email: eelp@rub.de

Start: 14/04/2021

*Content:* What is intersectional injustice? What are its variants? Is there anything normatively distinctive about its wrongness (say, doing harm to a destitute, non-"white", Muslim transgender) compared to other forms of injustice? In this course we shall deal with normative questions like these about the intersectionality. Moreover, the seminar aims to do introductory work both on basic normative concepts in this context (e.g. discrimination, oppression, exploitation, marginalization, adaptive preferences, and empowerment) and some philosophical accounts of justice (e.g. prioritarianism) in order to cast more light on the nature and normative significance of intersectional injustices. Not least, the course will also concern the critical voices against the idea of intersectionality in normative respect.

*Literature*

**Seminar: Social Suffering**

Prof. Dr. Alessandro Pinzani

Wednesday, 10.15-11.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration via Email: eelp@rub.de

Start: 14/04/2021

*Content:* The course aims at analyzing the concept of social suffering. Historically, this concept has been used by anthropologists and even literary theorists rather than by social scientists or political philosophers. However, in recent years it has been adopted also within the context of social philosophy to describe and

evaluate social phenomena like discrimination against social groups, the increasingly negative effects of economic inequality on the quality of life, and the epidemic of psychological pathologies that affect our societies (from depression to burnout). We will discuss the concept from a theoretical point of view, but students are encouraged to adapt this theoretical knowledge to the analysis and evaluation of concrete cases of social suffering in their final essays and term papers.

#### *Required Readings*

Frost, Liz; Hoggett, Paul (2008). Human Agency and Social Suffering. *Critical Social Policy*, 28(4): 438-460.  
Das, Veena (1997). Language and Body: Transactions in the Construction of Pain. In: A. Kleinman, V. Das, M. Lock (eds.). *Social Suffering*. Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 67-91.  
Herzog, Benno (2020). *Invisibilization of Suffering. The Moral Grammar of Disrespect*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.  
Kleinman, Arthur; Kleinman, Joan (1997), The Appeal of Experience; The Dismay of Images: Cultural Appropriations of Suffering in Our Times. In: A. Kleinman, V. Das, M. Lock (eds.). *Social Suffering*. Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 1-23.  
Renault, Emmanuel (2019). *The Experience of Injustice*. New York: Columbia University Press.  
Wilkinson, Iain; Kleinman, Arthur (2016). *A Passion for Society. How We Think about Social Suffering*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

#### *Recommended readings*

Cavell, Stanley (1997). Comments on Veena Das's Essay "Language and Body: Transactions in the Construction of Pain". In: A. Kleinman, V. Das, M. Lock (eds.). *Social Suffering*. Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 93-98.  
Sontag, Susan (2003). *Regarding the Pain of Others*. New York: Picador  
TBA

#### *Further readings: TBA*

*Ungraded achievements:* Presentation of a real or fictional case of social suffering in the final seminar (in tandem with a colleague).

*Graded achievements:* term paper (15 to 20 pages); 3 Essays (6 pages or more) or 2 Essays (9 pages or more)

### **Seminar: Faces of Injustice**

Prof. Dr. Alessandro Pinzani

Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration via Email: eelp@rub.de

Start: 13/04/2021

*Content:* Most theories of justice start from a positive definition of the latter concept. However, there are good reasons for choosing the opposite path, that is, for starting from a definition of injustice and from a denunciation of its most evident phenomena. This would allow, so the idea, for reaching consent on unjust situations and deeds even in the absence of consent on what constitutes justice. This strategy is particularly adopted by authors who focus on the question of collective responsibility for actions carried out in the name of a collective body (a society, a state etc.).

In the first part of the seminar, we will first discuss the methodological option of starting from injustice instead of justice. We will focus particularly on Judith Shklar's attempt at defining different forms of injustice. In the second part of the seminar, we will discuss some relevant forms of injustice: historical and colonial injustice, structural and social injustice, oppression and domination, epistemic, testimonial and hermeneutic injustice.

#### *Required Readings*

Bufacchi, Vittorio (2012). *Social Injustice*. London: Verso, pp. 1-16.  
Fricker, Miranda (1999). Epistemic Oppression and Epistemic Privilege, *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, 29: 191-210.  
Goodhart, Michael (2018). *Injustice. Political Theory for the Real World*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 23-45 (Goodhart 1).  
Lu, Catherine (2018) Redressing and addressing colonial injustice, *Ethics & Global Politics*, 11:1, 1-5, DOI: 10.1080/16544951.2018.1507386 (Lu 1)  
Medina, José (2017). Varieties of Hermeneutical Injustice. In: I. J. Kidd, J. Medina, G. Pohlhaus (eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Epistemic Injustice*. London: Routledge, 41-52.

Mikkola, Mari (2019). *The Wrong of Injustice. Dehumanization and Its Role in Feminist Philosophy*. Oxford: Oxford University Press pp. 186-222.

Pohlhaus, Gaile (2017). Varieties of Epistemic Injustice. In: I. J. Kidd, J. Medina, G. Pohlhaus (eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Epistemic Injustice*. London: Routledge, 11-26.

Powers, Madison; Faden, Ruth (2019). *Structural Injustice. Power, Advantage and Human Rights*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 85-115.

Renault, Emmanuel (2019). *The Experience of Injustice*. New York: Columbia University Press, pp. 65-93.

Sen, Amartya (2009). *The Idea of Justice*. Cambridge (MA): Belknap, pp. 1-27 (Sen 1).

Shklar, Judith (1990). *The Faces of Injustice*. New Haven: Yale University Press

Wanderer, Jeremy (2017). Varieties of Testimonial Injustice. In: I. J. Kidd, J. Medina, G. Pohlhaus (eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Epistemic Injustice*. London: Routledge, 27-40.

*Recommended readings*

Goodhart, Michael (2018). *Injustice. Political Theory for the Real World*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 83-94 (Goodhart 2).

Lu, Catherine (2018) Responsibility, Structural Injustice, and Structural Transformation, *Ethics & Global Politics*, 11:1, 42-57, DOI: 10.1080/16544951.2018.1507388 (Lu 2)

Sen, Amartya (2009). *The Idea of Justice*. Cambridge (MA): Belknap, pp. 87-113 (Sen 2).

TBA

*Further readings:*

TBA

*Ungraded achievements:* Short essay on one or more real or fictional cases of injustice (max. 4 pages).

*Graded achievements:* term paper (15 to 20 pages); 3 Essays (6 pages or more) or 2 Essays (9 pages or more)

## EELP III: Applied Ethics

### Seminar: Economic Ethics

Prof. Dr. Klaus Steigleder

Monday, 14.15-15.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration via Email: eelp@rub.de

Start: 12/04/2021

The seminar is offered in the Master's programme „European Culture and Economy“ (ECUE), as well as in MA EELP.

*Content:* The seminar will start with an introduction to economic ethics and will then study problem areas and problems of economic ethics and focus on selected topics of the current debate. We will work with essays representing different and controversial viewpoints on the topics of the seminar. At the beginning of the seminar, these essays will be provided as a download.

030105

### Seminar: Corporate Responsibility

Dr. Johannes Graf Keyserlingk

Monday, 16.15-17.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus

Start: 12/04/2021

*Content:* In a globalized economy, global governance problems have become increasingly important. One of the central moral problems that arises in this context concerns the protection of human rights and compliance with environmental standards across international supply chains. In many parts of the global marketplace, there prevail certain standard threats to human rights, like forced labor, child labor, unhealthy working conditions etc. And although such threats are well understood both by governments and by the most powerful actors in the supply chain – such as multinational companies – it remains controversial what such companies ought to do to improve the protection of human rights and in this way fill existing governance gaps. It is against this backdrop that we will read seminal texts of the ongoing business ethical debate on the type and scope of corporate responsibility and apply them critically to current business practices in the global marketplace.

*Literature*



Boatright, J. R. (2009) *Ethics and the Conduct of Business*, Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Prentice Hall, 6th edition.

Donaldson, T. & T.W. Dunfee (1999) *Ties that Bind: A Social Contracts Approach to Business Ethics*, Cambridge, MA: Harvard Business Press.

French, Peter (1995) *Corporate Ethics*, Fort Worth, TX: Harcourt Brace.

Friedman, M., (1970) "The Social Responsibility of Business is to Increase its Profits", *New York Times Magazine* (September 13): 32–33, 122–124.

Hsieh, N. (2004) "The Obligations of Transnational Corporations: Rawlsian Justice and the Duty of Assistance", *Business Ethics Quarterly*, 14(4): 643–661.

Ruggie, J.G. (2013) *Just Business: Multinational Corporations and Human Rights*, New York: W.W. Norton & Company.

Scherer, A.G. & G. Palazzo (2011) "The New Political Role of Business in a Globalized World: A Review of a New Perspective on CSR and its Implications for the Firm, Governance, and Democracy", *Journal of Management Studies*, 48(4): 899–931.

030106

**Seminar: Ethics of Migration**

Dr. Johannes Graf Keyserlingk

Wednesday, 16.15-17.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus

Start: 14/04/2021

*Content:* There can be no doubt that (forced) migration presents one of the most urgent political questions in today's globalized world. In several European countries where right-wing political movements are on the rise, the issue of immigration is regularly found at the forefront of the political arena, with populists united among themselves on that issue. Meanwhile, the number of civil wars and armed conflicts is on the rise, climate change increasingly threatens the livelihoods of people in the global south, and the gap between rich and poor is widening, especially after the Covid-19 pandemic. As a consequence, there are currently more people on the move than ever before in the period after the Second World War. In this context, civil society, states as well as supranational and global political institutions must find appropriate, just and ethically responsible ways of dealing with migration in the 21st Century. This seminar is concerned with the morally-normative considerations that should guide this quest for political solutions.

*Literature*

Carens, J. (1988) Immigration and the welfare state, in Gutman, Amy (ed.) *Democracy and the Welfare State*, pp. 207–230, Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Miller, D. (2016) *Strangers in Our Midst: The Political Philosophy of Immigration*, Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

Moore, M. (2015) *A Political Theory of Territory*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Pevnick, R. (2011) *Immigration and the Constraints of Justice: Between Open Borders and Absolute Sovereignty*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

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## **EELP IVa: Economics**

075005

### **Lecture: Labor Economics**

Prof. Dr. Thomas K. Bauer

online without weekly schedule

Start: 12/04/2021

Study achievement: written in-class exam; 5 credits

075006

Tutorial: online

*Prerequisites: knowledge of microeconomics and basic knowledge of empirical economic research is required.*

*Content:* The labor market affects the daily lives and the welfare of every individual directly. Hence, the analysis of labor markets is of importance and interest not only to economists but to the population at large. Labor economics is a very challenging and a stimulating area in economics due to the special characteristics of the labor market. For example, different to capital workers are not commodities with fixed characteristics and make decisions about the nature of their participation in the labor market. Institutions affect the labor market much more than any other market.

The aim of this lecture is to give an understanding of the distinctive features of labor markets and the ways in which they operate. Among other things, we will analyze labor supply, labor demand, human capital, and the role of different labor market institutions and labor market policies for wages and employment.

Throughout the module, we attempt to integrate theoretical issues and empirical evidence, and to address questions of policy. The latter will concentrate on European issues.

075015

### **Compact Seminar: Empirical Environmental, Resource and Energy Economics**

Prof. Dr. Manuel Frondel

introductory session: 30/04/2021/ 10 am, online

compact seminar: 30/07/2021/ 10 am - 4 pm, RWI Essen

5 credits

*Prerequisites: knowledge in empirical economic research and/or econometrics is recommended*

*Content:* Students enhance their ability to understand and assess scientific literature. They also strengthen their knowledge of econometric methods by examining the methodology employed by relevant peer-reviewed papers. During the seminar, students get to know current issues in environmental, resource and energy economics, learn to write a seminar paper and improve their presentation skill.

The aim of this seminar is to prepare students to critically assess topics in environmental, energy, and resource economics from an empirical perspective. Seminar participants are expected to make a presentation and write a term paper on a topic agreed upon with the instructor. Both the presentation and the paper should draw on publications from the peer-reviewed literature. Beyond summarizing and assessing the literature, particular methodologies should be examined and critiqued, with an eye toward identifying where knowledge gaps exist as well as topics for future research.

075020

### **Lecture: International Trade**

Jun.-Prof. Dr. Sanne Kruse-Becher

Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, online live

Start: 13/04/2021

<http://www.wiwi.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/jpmakro/lehre/index.html.en>

075021

Excercises: International Trade

Jun.-Prof. Dr. Sanne Kruse-Becher

<http://www.wiwi.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/jpmakro/lehre/index.html.en>

075022

**Lecture: Growth and Development Economics**

Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Löwenstein

Monday, 12.15-13.45, online live

Start: 12/04/2021

study achievement: written in-class exam; 5 credits

075023a

Excercises: Christina Seeger, Tuesday, 8.15-9.45, online

or

075023b

Excercises: Dr. Elkhan Sadik-Zada, Thursday, 10.15-11.45, online

*Content:* Models of the Post-Keynesian Growth Theory (Harrod/Domar Model and Two-Gaps Model) and the neoclassical growth model are discussed in detail. In particular, the determinants "savings" and "population growth" are critically assessed as well as the interdependency of growth and capital imports and foreign trade, respectively. Another focus is set on the analysis of "technological progress" as growth determinant. Subsequent to the theoretical models, problem oriented topics are covered, concentrating on development financing, trade, financial crisis, human capital accumulation, HIV/AIDS and technological progress in developing countries.

*Literature*

Acemoglu, D. (2009): Introduction to Modern Economic Growth, Princeton University Press.

Bender, D.; Löwenstein, W. (2005): Two -Gap Models: Post-Keynesian Death and Neoclassical Rebirth.

Feenstra, R./Taylor, A., International Economics, 2008.

Krugman, P./Obstfeld, M., International Economics, 7. Auflage, 2006.

Weil, David N. (2009): Economic Growth, 2. Auflage, Pearson Addison-Weasly, Boston.

075071

**Lecture: Public Economics**

Dr. Bodo Knoll

13/04/2021, 14.15-15.45 introduction session, rest of semester online without weekly schedule

Start: 13/04/2021

*Prerequisites: good knowledge of microeconomics and econometrics as well as an interest in combining microeconomic theory with empirical research*

Study achievement: written in-class exam; 5 credits

075071

Excercises: Dr. Bodo Knoll, online without weekly schedule

*Content:* The course provides an overview over advanced theoretical models and empirical results of the modern public economics literature. Topics covered are taxation (efficiency, incidence and optimal taxation), public debt (normative justifications for public debt, political economy considerations, the European debt crisis), the role of government institutions, public good provision, externalities, social insurance (adverse selection and moral hazard), redistribution and social welfare as well as international aspects of public economics (international tax and systems competition). The course also provides a brief introduction to micro-econometric methods used in modern empirical public economics. The module thus enables students to understand and critically assess theoretical and empirical work in the modern public economics literature. Students are familiar with basic theoretical and empirical concepts of the modern public economics literature. They are in the position to understand and critically assess modern theoretical and empirical work in this field. They are furthermore familiar with empirical policy evaluation methods and can implement them in Stata.

075125

**Seminar: Advanced Energy Economics, Policy and Technology**

Prof. Dr. Graham Weale

online without weekly schedule

Start: 12/04/2021

*Prerequisites: knowledge from the lecture "Advanced Environmental, Energy and Resource Economics" is beneficial*

Study achievement: presentation/ 45 minutes = 20%; term paper/ 10-15 pages = 80%; 5 credits

*Content:* Understanding of the economic structure of environmental, energy and resource problems. Ability to deal with environmental policy issues scientifically and to discuss economic instruments. Understanding how are energy and resource markets working. Identifying sub-optimal use of resource in market economy and areas of policy failure

075225

**Lecture: Microeconomics II**

Prof. Dr. Julio R. Robledo

digital lecture

Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, FAQ sessions, online live

Start: 13/04/2021

*Prerequisites: good knowledge of microeconomics and mathematics*

075226

Exercises: online, screencasts

This module is an introduction to modern industrial organization (IO) and its applications to applied economic policy. Students learn the standard modelling techniques. After attending this module, students should be able to read and understand IO oriented scientific literature.

The module covers standard IO topics at master level: monopoly, oligopoly, product differentiation, pricing strategies, mergers.

075242

**Lecture: Macroeconomics I**

Dr. Paola D'Orazio

Lecture's recordings within Moodle Course

*Prerequisites: good knowledge of mathematics for economists; knowledge of foundations of macroeconomics is expected*

*study achievement:* written in-class exam; 5 credits

075243

**Tutorial: Macroeconomics I**

Wednesday, 16.15-17.45, online live

*Content:* This module is an introduction to modern macroeconomics and important current topics of macroeconomic policy. Students learn standard modeling techniques. We also discuss major controversies and the limits of these models. The module stimulates critical thinking and trains the skills required to solve and analyze formal models. Students also get an overview of important policy discussions.

This module is necessary for further studies of macroeconomics at an advanced level. It prepares students for PhD programs or work in research institutions. This module covers advanced theoretical models on business cycle fluctuations, inflation, unemployment, and economic growth. It provides an overview over the most important macroeconomic topics and introduces students to theories in macroeconomics. The theories are applied to relevant macroeconomic policy issues such as how to deal with financial crisis or the European debt crisis

075250

**Macroeconomics and Sustainability**

Prof. Dr. Michael Roos

Thursday, 14.15-15.45, online live

Start: 15/04/2021

*Prerequisites: "Macroeconomics I" and "Macroeconomics II" is required. "Complexity Economics and Agent-based Modeling" or "Macroeconomics and Sustainability" recommended.*

*Content* In this module, students learn how to apply research methods to macroeconomic questions. They work on the own research project that may lead directly into the MSc thesis.

This module allows students to answer a self-developed research question in macroeconomics, especially in the research field of the chair. This process is combined with an individual support by the chair of macroeconomics. The chair of macroeconomics provides individual teaching in tutorials on specific methods. Students regularly present their current status on answering their research question. They get a critical assessment and valuable feedback on their work and also provide both for the other students. This module provides an

excellent starting point for writing the final Master's dissertation in the topics macroeconomics, experimental economics and agent-based-modeling.

075275

**Seminar: Current Topics in Health Economics**

Prof. Dr. Ansgar Wübker

TBA, RWI Essen

*Prerequisites: sound knowledge of microeconomics and of microeconometrics and econometrics in order to be able to read and understand the current international theoretical or empirical literature is strongly recommended.*

*The seminar is restricted to a maximum of 20 students.*

*Content* In this seminar, students will explore a variety of current topics in health economics. The topics will cover both empirical and theoretical contributions. Students will have the possibility to acquire the necessary knowledge and methodological skills for the successful completion of a master thesis in health economics and related fields. To this aim students will prepare a term paper based on current themes in the field of health economics. Students will prepare their seminar papers in the first half of the semester and present their papers in the second half of the semester. Further course details will be given at the introductory meeting.

075305

**Lecture: Structural Change and Global Value Chains**

Prof. Dr. Marianne Saam

online without weekly schedule

<http://www.wiwi.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/inno/lehre/ss21.html.en>

*Prerequisites: sound knowledge of macroeconomics, econometrics or good/very good quantitative skills demonstrated in maths and statistics is required; knowledge of growth and development economics is helpful.*

075306

Tutorial: Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, online live

*Content* In the process of economic growth, the structure of an economy changes drastically. Usually, manufacturing first becomes more important than agriculture and eventually both activities are taken over by services. At the same time, the relation between industries, or, in other words, the value chains of production change. This evolution has both a domestic and an international dimension. Is value creation in high-tech products moving more and more to emerging economies? Will manufacturing move back to advanced countries with progress in automation? At which stages of the product value chains do productivity increases occur? These and other policy-relevant questions can be discussed based on recent articles from scientific journals.

The lecture introduces to main recent macroeconomic models and empirical approaches to understand the mechanisms governing structural change and value chains. In the tutorial exercises will serve to practice the use of theoretical approaches and to support own literature study.

075310

**Lecture and seminar in German: Ökonomische Politikberatung in der Praxis**

Prof. Dr. Marianne Saam

Lecture: online without weekly schedule

075313

Seminar: Wednesday, 8.30-10.00, online live

075314

Exercises: Wednesday, 8.30-10.00, online live

Start: 14/04/2021

<http://www.wiwi.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/inno/lehre/ss21.html.en>

*Kenntnisse in Mikro- und Makroökonomie sowie passive Grundkenntnisse der Ökonometrie werden vorausgesetzt. Die vorherige Absolvierung mindestens eines Moduls mit wirtschaftspolitischem Bezug wird empfohlen.*

*Inhalt:* Eines der Kernziele der Volkswirtschaftslehre als Disziplin ist es, wirtschaftspolitische Problemstellungen theoretisch zu durchdringen und auf Grundlage von empirischer Überprüfung von Hypothesen zu Aussagen zu gelangen, die politische Entscheidungsträger/innen bei der Gestaltung von Maßnahmen zu unterstützen. Bei angewandter Forschung, die unmittelbar der Unterstützung von Wirtschaftspolitik dient

und nicht selten im Auftrag von politischen Institutionen und Verbänden geschieht, spricht man auch von „ökonomischer Politikberatung“. Aber was genau macht man eigentlich, wenn man Entscheidungsträger/innen ökonomisch berät? Und wie beeinflusst dabei der Rat die getroffenen Maßnahmen? Im Mittelpunkt dieses Moduls stehen der Prozess und die Praktiken der Wirtschaftspolitik und der Politikberatung. Da Politikberatung viel mit öffentlichen Diskursen zu tun hat, wird dabei ein besonderes Augenmerk auf die gegenseitige Beeinflussung von öffentlichem Diskurs und Akteuren der Politikberatung gerichtet. Damit verbunden ist auch die Frage, was als belastbare statistische oder ökonometrische Evidenz für bestimmte Thesen („Der Mindestlohn zerstört viele Arbeitsplätze“, „Wenn wir unsere Wirtschaftsweise nicht ändern, werden wir die Erwärmung des Erdklimas um mindestens 2 Grad nicht verhindern.“, „Eine steuerliche Förderung von F&E würde das Produktivitätswachstum in Deutschland erhöhen.“) anerkannt wird und wie verschiedene Akteure (Wissenschaftler/innen, politische Institutionen, Medien) empirische Evidenz interpretieren. In den ersten 6 Wochen der Veranstaltung führt die Vorlesung in die Thematik ein und in der Übung wird die selbständige Analyse von Studien und Abläufen aus dem Bereich der Politikberatung geübt. Die in der Vorlesung erworbenen Grundkenntnisse werden in einem Lernportfolio vertieft. Die zweite Hälfte des Moduls ist der selbständigen Ausarbeitung einer Analyse einer konkreten Politikberatungssituation gewidmet. Die Ausarbeitungen finden in Gruppen mit Unterstützung einer Lehrkraft statt und werden in einem Seminar am Ende des Semesters präsentiert.

## **EELP IVb: Law**

**Important: Please inform Mr. Sebastian Mogk, academic assistant at the *Qualifikationszentrum Recht* ([sebastian.mogk@rub.de](mailto:sebastian.mogk@rub.de)) until Monday, 12/03/2021, which course(s) you would like to attend.**

*Empfohlen für die Themenschwerpunkte „Verwaltung und Verantwortung“, „Wohlfahrt und Würde“, „Markt und Moral“.*

060080

### **Lecture in German: Staatsrecht I (Grundrechte)**

Prof. Dr. Stefan Magen

Monday, 11.30-13.00 and Tuesday, 14.00-15.30, online

Start: 19/04/2021

5 credits

Das GG enthält in Art. 1-19 GG einen umfangreichen Grundrechtskatalog. Grundrechte bestimmen, wie das Verhältnis des Staates zu seinen Bürgern beschaffen sein soll. Auch deshalb entzündeten sich an ihnen immer wieder politische und gesellschaftliche Konflikte. Stoff der Vorlesung ist die Vermittlung der dogmatischen Grundstruktur und der inhaltlichen Gewährleistungen der Grundrechte.

*Empfohlen für den Themenschwerpunkt „Verwaltung und Verantwortung“*

060083

### **Lecture in German: Staatsrecht II (Staatsorganisationsrecht)**

Prof. Dr. Julian Krüper

Tuesday, 16.15-17.45 and Wednesday 8.15-19.45, online

Start: 13/04/2021

5 credits

Das Staatsorganisationsrecht, als zweite Säule des Staatsrechts, befasst sich mit der organisatorischen Struktur und inhaltlichen Verfasstheit des Staates. Ausbildungsschwerpunkte sind der Rechtsstaat (als Zentralbegriff des Staatsrechts), die demokratische Ordnung, das Prinzip der Bundesstaatlichkeit sowie die wichtigsten Staatsorgane.

*Empfohlen für den Themenschwerpunkt „Wohlfahrt und Würde“*

060096

### **Lecture in German: Gesundheitsrecht/ Beruferecht der Heilberufe**

Prof. Dr. Dorothea Prütting

Tuesday, 8.15-9.45, 5 credits

Start: 13/04/2021

*Empfohlen für alle Themenschwerpunkte*  
060002

**Lecture in German: Allgemeine Staatslehre**

Prof. Dr. Jörg Ennuschat  
Monday, 16.15-17.45, online  
5 credits  
Start: 19/04/2021

*Recommended for all main topics*  
060006

**Lecture: Normative Legal Philosophy**

Prof. Dr. Stefan Magen  
Monday, 8.15-9.45, 5 credits  
Start: 12/04/2021

Normative legal philosophy is concerned with the normative reasons that explain and justify the existence of legal orders and legal institutions like criminal law, contracts, torts, public goods, democracy, human rights, and anti-discrimination law. The lecture provides an introduction into basic approaches to ethics and draws on cases to discuss common theories put forward to justify or criticize different legal institutions.

*Empfohlen für alle Themenschwerpunkte*  
060101

**Lecture in German: Umwelt- und Klimaschutzrecht**

Prof. Dr. Tobias Leidinger  
Friday, 10.15-11.45  
5 credits  
Start: 16/04/2021

**EELP IVc: Political Science**

080364

**Seminar: Interests and Ideas in the Foreign Policy of EU Member States**

Prof. Dr. Stefan Schirm  
Thursday, 10.15-11.45, online  
Start: 14/04/2021

*Requirements:* Attendance of the Lecture „Einführung in die Internationalen Beziehungen“, registration per CampusOffice from 01.03.2020, summaries of the required readings (see below) of one page per article (total 6 pages) to be submitted in the 3rd and 4th sessions. Attendance of the IR-Lecture can be substituted by summaries of the lecture's required readings.

*Study achievement/ graded exam:* summaries of the required readings (see below) of one page per article (total 6 pages) to be submitted in the 3rd and 4th sessions, presentation with discussion paper + power point/ term paper or oral exam

A lot of research has been done on the political and conceptual problems of achieving a common foreign policy of the European Union. Until today, the individual EU member states remain by far the central and sovereign actors of foreign policy. A supranationalization of foreign policy has not taken place essentially because the material interests and ideational predispositions of member states' societies considerably diverge in cross-country comparison. The variety and diversity of member states societies seems to oppose a supranationalization desired by EU-level actors. At the same time, EU member state societies also show an internal plurality of values as well as of cost-benefit calculations. This seminar will analyse in cross-country comparison the domestic interests and ideas as driving forces for governmental preferences on selected foreign policy issues. The aim is to show if, why and how ideational and/or material factors differ/converge. The analysis will be conducted in light of theories of domestic politics focussing on societal ideas and interests. The foreign policy areas to be examined in cross-country comparison are, for instance, trade imbalances, energy policy, migration, Mercosur FTA, Eurozone crisis, security policy. The EU member states to be compared are, for example, France, Germany, Italy, Denmark, Netherlands, Poland.

### Literature

- Lake David A (2013) Theory is dead, long live theory: The end of the great debates and the rise of eclecticism in international relations. *European Journal of International Relations* 19(3): 567–587.
- Dür Andreas and de Bièvre D (2007) The question of interest group influence. *Journal of Public Policy* 27(1): 1–12.
- Hadfield, A./Manners, I./Whitman, R. (2017) Introduction: Conceptualising the foreign policies of EU Member States, in: Hadfield, A./Manners, I./Whitman, R. (eds) *The foreign policy of EU member states*, New York: Routledge, 1-20.
- Kaarbo, Juliet (2015) A Foreign Policy Analysis Perspective on the Domestic Politics Turn in IR Theory. *International Studies Review* 17(2), 189–216.
- Moravcsik Andrew (1997) Taking preferences seriously: A liberal theory of international politics. *International Organization* 51(4), 513–553.
- Schirm, Stefan A (2020) Refining domestic politics theories of IPE: a societal approach to governmental preferences. *Politics* 40(4), 396-412.

080366

### **Seminar: Theory and Practice of Global Economic Governance**

Dr. Aukje van Loon

Thursday, 14.15-15.45, online

Start: 14/04/2021

*Requirements:* Attendance of the Lecture „Einführung in die Internationalen Beziehungen“, registration per CampusOffice from 01.03.2020, summaries of the required readings (see below) of one page per article (total 6 pages) to be submitted in the 3rd and 4th sessions. Attendance of the IR-Lecture can be substituted by summaries of the lecture's required readings.

*Study achievement/ graded exam:* summaries of the required readings (see below) of one page per article (total 6 pages) to be submitted in the 3rd and 4th sessions, presentation with discussion paper + power point/ term paper or oral exam

The post-World War II period has revealed an accumulation of international institutions and fora (i.e. IMF, WTO, G20) which have been created in order to govern the global economy. This institutional structure however, has increasingly attracted critique regarding its legitimacy and efficiency. Several financial crises in the 1990s (for example in Argentina, Mexico, Asia) and the 2008 global financial and economic crisis suggest the need for an improved political management of the world economy as existing mechanisms seem not to perform adequately. Besides financial markets, world trade is a second focus because liberalisation through the WTO has become more complex and controversial. In this seminar the analysis focuses on the rise of global economic cooperation and on the reform of existing governance structures. New challenges and opportunities are also faced by both institutions and actors (for example EU, US) in the light of newly industrialised and emerging economies (i.e. BRICS). Theories of international political economy (IPE) and International Relations (IR) will be used to examine these questions and developments by students' investigations of selected case studies.

### Literature

- Baumann, R., Rittberger, V. and Wagner, W. (2001) Neorealist Foreign Policy Theory. Rittberger, V. (ed.) *German Foreign Policy since Unification: Theories and Case Studies*. Manchester: Manchester University Press, 37-67.
- Karns, M.P., Mingst, K.A. and Stiles, K.W. (2015) *The Challenges of Global Governance*. Karns, M. P., Mingst, K.A. and Stiles, K.W. (eds.) *International Organizations. The Politics and Processes of Global Governance* (3rd ed.), Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 1-41.
- Keohane, R.O. (1988) *International Institutions: Two Approaches*. *International Studies Quarterly* 32 (4), 379-396.
- Moravcsik, A. (1997). *Taking Preferences Seriously. A Liberal Theory of International Politics*. *International Organization* 51 (4), 515-553.
- Nölke, A., Ten Brink, T., Claar, S. and May, C. (2015) Domestic structures, foreign economic policies and global economic order: Implications from the rise of large emerging economies. *European Journal of International Relations* 21 (3), 538-567.
- Schirm, Stefan A (2020). *Refining domestic politics theories of IPE: a societal approach to governmental preferences*. *Politics* 40(4), 396-412.



090350

**Seminar: The Political Economy of Internet Finance in People's Republic of China**

Prof. Dr. Jörn Carsten Gottwald

Friday, 10.15-11.45, online

Start: 16/04/2021

The People's Republic of China is turning into a leading global power in technology and innovation. This includes the areas of internet based services (e-commerce) and financial services (fintech; internet finance). The dynamic of these developments has caught wide-spread attention. China's Socialist Market Economy has created global internet giants such as Alibaba with its Ant Group, Tencent (Tengxun), or JD Digits. Their relationship with key stakeholders in China's political economy, however, remains difficult. While the Chinese leadership generously supports the rise of patriotic global players, the party-state is quite anxious about challenges to the stability of its financial system and the growing influence of these newcomers in the Chinese economy and society.

Following theoretical perspectives of Comparative Political Economy (CPE), this seminar seeks to analyse the innovation policies in the PRC, the specific institutional settings for financial services within the framework of the Socialist Market Economy, the conflicting objectives and interests of the party-state with regard to internet based innovation, and the significance of China's domestic modernisation in a global context.

*Literature*

Preparatory readings: Barry Naughton (2018), *The Chinese Economy. Adaptation and Growth*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

090353

**Seminar: New EU-China Security Relations** (*Neue EU-China Sicherheitsbeziehungen*)

Prof. Dr. Sebastian Bersick

Thursday, 8.30-10.00, online

Start: 15/04/2021

This course will focus on the role of security issues in the international political economy of EU-China relations. Over the past decade, the EU and China have expanded their relations from a dominant focus on economic and trade issues to the sphere of politics. As their shared interests and aims have grown over this time, issues of joint security concerns have become more prominent in their relationship, albeit more in the area of non-traditional security issues than traditional (military) ones and at the bilateral rather than at the global (e.g., United Nations) level. The aim of the seminar is to explore the extent to which perceptions and practices of security have converged between the EU and China, and the degree to which any convergence has led to cooperation between the two powers. In particular, the seminar seeks to explore a range of key themes in the field of EU China security cooperation such: economic security, military security, regional conflicts and relations with the neighborhood, nuclear proliferation, terrorism and organized crime, energy security and climate change, human security, civil protection, cybersecurity, and the security dimension of migration.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic this course is planned to be taught completely online. Please make sure to register on time and make sure to check for updates regularly in the week leading up to the beginning of the class.

*Literature*

Bersick, Sebastian (2015), „The EU's Bilateral Relations with China“, in: Joergensen , Knud Erik et al. (eds.), *Handbook of European Foreign Policy*, Sage Publications, p p. 615-633.

Kirchner, Emil et al. (eds.) (2016), *Security Relations between the European Union and China: From Convergence to Cooperation?*, Cambridge University Press.

080355

**Seminar: Interest Groups in Europe**

Prof. Dr. Rainer Eising

Tuesday, 14.15-15.45, online

*Sound knowledge of the system of the EU, EU policy, and comparative political science is required.*

*Study achievement: oral and written presentation, participation in working groups, knowledge of required readings; exam: in addition to the requirements for the study achievement, submission of a term paper*

Major theories on European integration attribute an important role to interest groups because political parties structure EU politics to a lesser degree than is common in national representative democracies. Accord-

ing to neofunctionalism, EU level groups drive integration at the European level, while, according to Liberal Intergovernmentalism, domestic groups shape member states' preferences. According to multilevel governance, there is greater interaction between national and EU levels. In this seminar, we will study empirical analyses of interest groups in the European Union, drawing mostly on comparative politics approaches. Students will get acquainted with major theories and concepts in interest group research regarding types, strategies and success of interest groups as well as their political exchanges with national and EU institutions. Students will also obtain insights into important methodological aspects of interest group research. Finally, they will get to know major data sources on interest groups in the EU such as the transparency register and the consultations website (Your Voice in Europe) of the European Commission.

#### *Literature*

J. Beyers, R. Eising, W. Maloney: Researching Interest Group Politics in Europe and Elsewhere: Much We Study, Little We Know. *West European Politics* 31 (6), 2008: 1103–1128.

J. Greenwood: Interest representation in the European Union. London: Palgrave 2017, 4th ed.

080325

### **Compact seminar: Capitalism, Digitalization and Intersectional Inequalities**

Prof. Dr. Sabrina Zajak

Compact seminar/ dates:

06/04/2021 13.00-15.00 (online; introduction)

23/ and 24/04/2021 (full day at campus if possible)

07/05/2021 (online 13.30-16.00)

18/-19/06/2021 (full day at campus if possible)

16/07/2021 (online, final presentations)

Start: 06/04/2021

*Study achievement (ungraded):* (1) active participation in the webinars, reading the seminar literature, submitting the work tasks in moodle, (2) completing a mini case study on the basis of online research, (3) presenting findings in a mini-podcast of roughly 5min.

*Exam (graded):* additionally to „study achievement “ (4) writing down the mini case study (10-15 pages per person)

*Mini case study:* All participants complete a small empirical case study within the themes of the seminar. In doing so, developed concepts and questions of the seminar will be applied in an empirical example. Related research can be completed online. The participation in relevant online events is recommended.

*Content:* Work comes in many different forms and the way people work has changed tremendously throughout history. The role of technological innovation is particularly ambiguous: While it could potentially increase overall wealth and/or decrease the societal need for long working hours, technological change and automation can at the same time threaten parts of the working population with displacement. Current public debates about automation, artificial intelligence and digitalization have precipitated a resurgence of fears of unemployment and displacement among some, while others predict a future without scarcity.

This course introduces students into the study of digitalization and work in a globalized context. Digitalization has become an increasingly important umbrella concept for recent economic developments such as automation, the gig economy, platform capitalism, crowdwork around the globe. While some hope for a future utopia where machines will do all menial tasks, others fear human alienation and new forms of inequality. Departing from the assumption that “technology is neither good nor bad nor neutral” (Melvin Kranzberg), this class will teach students about the impact of recent innovations in information and communication technology on working conditions, worker collective action, but also on diversity, discrimination and racism in the global political economy at large. The specific effects of the Corona crisis will also be discussed.

This seminar will be a “blocked” seminar which will include own empirical research on a specific topic on the effects of digitalization for work, workers and worker collective action. The seminar will also provide opportunities to participate online in international, state of the art academic debates. As an outcome an own short blog entry as well as a self-produced short video clip is expected.

#### *Literature*

Raj-Reichert G, Zajak S and Helmerich N (2020) Introduction to special issue on digitalization, labour and global production. *Competition & Change*, 1-9.

Spencer, D. A. (2018). Fear and hope in an age of mass automation: debating the future of work. *New technology, work and employment* 33(1), 1-12.

Srnicek, N. (2016): Platform capitalism. Polity Press.

## **EELP Va: Research Module**

**Philosophy** (details see pages 7 – 8)

030091

### **Seminar: Basic Problems of Morality**

Prof. Dr. Christoph Bambauer

Tuesday, 12.15-13.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus

Start: 13/04/2021

030083

### **Seminar: Intersectional Injustices**

Dr. Reza Mosayebi

Wednesday, 14.15-15.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus or via Email: eelp@rub.de

Start: 14/04/2021

### **Seminar: Social Suffering**

Prof. Dr. Alessandro Pinzani

Wednesday, 10.15-11.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus or via Email: eelp@rub.de

Start: 14/04/2021

### **Seminar: Faces of Injustice**

Prof. Dr. Alessandro Pinzani

Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus or via Email: eelp@rub.de

Start: 13/04/2021

030105

### **Seminar: Corporate Responsibility**

Dr. Johannes Graf Keyserlingk

Monday, 16.15-17.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus

Start: 12/04/2021

030106

### **Seminar: Ethics of Migration**

Dr. Johannes Graf Keyserlingk

Wednesday, 16.15-17.45, online

4 or 6 credits; registration through eCampus

Start: 14/04/2021

030132

### **Forschungskolloquium: Aktuelle Themen der Praktischen Philosophie (in German)**

Prof. Dr. Corinna Mieth; Dr. Reza Mosayebi

Thursday, 16.15-14.45, online

start: 15/04/2021

Im Kolloquium werden aktuelle Forschungsthemen mit externen Gästen diskutiert. Ferner erhalten Exams- und Promotionskandidat:innen die Gelegenheit, ihre Arbeiten vorzustellen. Die einzelnen Termine werden zu Beginn der Veranstaltung bekanntgegeben und finden sowohl an der Ruhr-Universität als auch an der TU Dortmund statt.

**Economics** (details see pages 9 – 13)

075005

**Lecture: Labor Economics**

Prof. Dr. Thomas K. Bauer

online without weekly schedule

Study achievement: written in-class exam; 5 credits

075006

Tutorial: online

Start: 12/04/2021

075015

**Compact Seminar: Empirical Environmental, Resource and Energy Economics**

Prof. Dr. Manuel Frondel

introductory session: 30/04/2021/ 10 am, online

compact seminar: 30/07/2021/ 10 am - 4 pm, RWI Essen

5 credits

075020

**Lecture: International Trade in International Economics**

Jun.-Prof. Dr. Sanne Kruse-Becher

Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, online live

Start: 13/04/2021

075022

**Lecture: Growth and Development Economics**

Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Löwenstein

Monday, 12.15-13.45, online live

Start: 12/04/2021

study achievement: written in-class exam; 5 credits

075023a

Excercises: Christina Seeger, Tuesday, 8.15-9.45, online

or

075023b

Excercises: Dr. Elkhan Sadik-Zada, Thursday, 10.15-11.45, online

075070

**Lecture: Public Economics**

Dr. Bodo Knoll

13/04/2021, 14.15-15.45 introduction session

rest of semester online without weekly schedule

075071

**Excercises: Public Economics**

online without weekly schedule

075125

**Seminar: Advanced Energy Economics, Policy and Technology**

Prof. Dr. Graham Weale

online without weekly schedule

Start: 12/04/2021

075225

**Lecture: Microeconomics II**

Prof. Dr. Julio R. Robledo

digital lecture

Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, FAQ sessions, online live

075226

Exercises: online, screencasts

Start: 13/04/2021

075242

**Lecture: Macroeconomics I**

Dr. Paola D'Orazio

Lecture's recordings within Moodle Course

075243

**Tutorial: Macroeconomics I**

Wednesday, 16.15-17.45, online live

075250

**Macroeconomics and Sustainability**

Prof. Dr. Michael Roos

Thursday, 14.15-15.45, online live

Start: 15/04/2021

075275

**Seminar: Current Topics in Health Economics**

Prof. Dr. Ansgar Wübker

TBA, RWI Essen

**Lecture: Structural Change and Global Value Chains**

Prof. Dr. Marianne Saam

online without weekly schedule

075306

Tutorial: Tuesday, 10.15-11.45, online live

075310

**Lecture and seminar in German: Ökonomische Politikberatung in der Praxis**

Prof. Dr. Marianne Saam

Lecture: online without weekly schedule

075313

Seminar: Wednesday, 8.30-10.00, online live

075314

Exercises: Wednesday, 8.30-10.00, online live

Start: 14/04/2021

**Law** (details see pages 14-15)

060080

**Lecture in German: Staatsrecht I (Grundrechte)**

Prof. Dr. Stefan Magen

Monday, 11.30-13.00 and Tuesday, 14.00-15.30, online

5 credits

Start: 19/04/2021

060083

**Lecture in German: Staatsrecht II (Staatsorganisationsrecht)**

Prof. Dr. Julian Krüper

Tuesday, 16.15-17.45 and Wednesday 8.15-19.45, online

5 credits

Start: 13/04/2021

060096

**Lecture in German: Gesundheitsrecht/ Beruferecht der Heilberufe**

Prof. Dr. Dorothea Prütting

Tuesday, 8.15-9.45

5 credits

Start: 13/04/2021

060002

**Lecture in German: Allgemeine Staatslehre**

Prof. Dr. Jörg Ennuschat

Monday, 16.15-17.45, online

5 credits

Start: 19/04/2021

060006

**Lecture: Normative Legal Philosophy**

Prof. Dr. Stefan Magen

Monday, 8.15-9.45, online

5 credits

Start: 12/04/2021

060101

**Lecture in German: Umwelt- und Klimaschutzrecht**

Prof. Dr. Tobias Leidinger

Friday, 10.15-11.45

5 credits

Start: 16/04/2021

**Political Science** (details see pages 15 – 19)

080364

**Seminar: Interests and Ideas in the Foreign Policy of EU Member States**

Prof. Dr. Stefan Schirm

Thursday, 10.15-11.45, online

Start: 14/04/2021

080366

**Seminar: Theory and Practice of Global Economic Governance**

Dr. Aukje van Loon

Thursday, 14.15-15.45, online

Start: 14/04/2021

090350

**Seminar: The Political Economy of Internet Finance in People's Republic of China**

Prof. Dr. Jörn Carsten Gottwald

Friday, 10.15-11.45, online

Start: 16/04/2021

090353

**Seminar: New EU-China Security Relations** (*Neue EU-China Sicherheitsbeziehungen*)

Prof. Dr. Sebastian Bersick

Thursday, 8.30-10.00, online

Start: 15/04/2021

080355

**Seminar: Interest Groups in Europe**

Prof. Dr. Rainer Eising

Tuesday, 14.15-15.45, online

080325

**Compact seminar: Capitalism, Digitalization and Intersectional Inequalities**

Prof. Dr. Sabrina Zajak

Compact seminar/ dates:

06/04/2021 13.00-15.00 (online; introduction)

23/ and 24/04/2021 (full day at campus if possible)

07/05/2021 (online 13.30-16.00)

18/-19/06/2021 (full day at campus if possible)

16/07/2021 (online, final presentations)

Start: 06/04/2021