

A world map in teal and orange tones is positioned in the background. In the top right corner, there is a white owl icon with large eyes, enclosed in a speech bubble shape.

# European Studies in Global Perspectives

## Course Overview

Summer Term 2020

### 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

sow261 – International Relations	6 ECTS
sow927 – Labour Market and Social Inequality	6 ECTS
wir821 – International Trade, Production and Change	6 ECTS
wir879 – Transnational Intellectual Property Law	6 ECTS
wir911 – Advanced Topics in Sustainability Economics	6 ECTS

lan510 – Language 1 and Culture (first semester)			
3.02.998	Seminar: Multiple Imaginations: Germany's Pasts and Presents	Tobias Linnemann, Sunday Omwenyeye	Fri., 3 Jul.: 16:00–20:00, Sat., 4 Jul., and Sun., 5 Jul.: 10:00–19:00 A01 0-010 a 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)			
###	Exercise: Language Courses (A1.2 - B2.2)	Language Center	date, time: tba room: tba ECTS: 9 CP

**sow261 – International Relations**

1.07.084	Seminar: Arab Winter – Politics in the Middle East	Dr. rer. pol. Berna Öney	Wed.: 14:00–16:00 A14 1-113 ECTS: 3 CP
<p><b>Contents:</b></p> <p>Recent political unrest in the Arab world led to the fall of robust and powerful regimes. Calls for freedom, democracy, and political reforms engulfed the region in a sea of protests that forced Tunisia’s President Zine Eddine Ben Ali to flee, toppled the regime of Hosni Mubarak in Egypt, and led to the death of Moammar Gadhafi in Libya. Demands for change led to both peaceful protests and armed confrontations in Libya, Yemen, Syria, Egypt, Tunisia, Bahrain and across the Arab world. Social movements are often caused by the convergence of social, economic and political oppression and hardship. Indeed, this has been the case in the Arab world, where government corruption, elite self-interest, and economic inequalities are evident.</p> <p>In this class, we examine the uprisings in the Middle East generally and review cases through interactive discussions and course assignments. Analyzing the cases individually provides a context for understanding the conditions that led to civil unrest and exploring the new power structure in the Arab world.</p> <p>The cases of the Arab Spring vary widely, and the students will consider common questions to create a usable frame of reference: Why have people organized? How have people organized into new political groups and organizations or joined existing ones? What is the outcome in each case? And, what will the future bring in each country? By the conclusion of the course, students will have a strong grasp of the social and political conditions that led to the Arab Spring, current dynamics, and possible outcomes.</p> <p>This course can be regarded as an introductory class.</p>			

# Elective Modules - Cluster 1

sow927 – Labour Market and Social Inequality			
1.07.211	Lecture: Income and Labour Market Inequalities in a Comparative Perspective	Prof. Dr. Martin Heidenreich	Mon.: 12:00–14:00 A06 4-411 ECTS: 6 CP
	Contents: In industrialized societies, participation in social life is closely linked to income from work and thus access to the labor market. The Master module „Labor Market and Inequality“ starts with the question which occupational structures characterize the German and European labor market and where dividing lines between „outsiders“ and „insiders“ on the labor market run. This is particularly relevant for the egalitarian employment regimes of Europe. In the first part of the seminar, the focus will be on approaches to and empirical research on the „inequality of income opportunities“. Afterwards, interrelations between selected social groups (long-term unemployed, young people, migrants and women) and relevant institutional conditions (social security systems and activation policies, education systems and protection clauses, family policies, technological developments and social redistribution policies) are discussed (Part 2). In the complementary workshop (Monday 2-4 p.m., room A06 3-313), selected topics of the seminar will be expanded. Students will familiarize themselves with relevant data sets and carry out their own empirical analyses using the EU-SILC or other comparative datasets.		
1.07.212	Exercise: Income and Labour Market Inequalities in a Comparative Perspective	tba	Tue.: 16:00–18:00 A04 1-139 ECTS:

**wir821 – International Trade, Production and Change**

2.02.821	Lecture: International Trade and Transnational Production (MA Level)	Prof. Dr. Hans-Michael Trautwein, Dr. rer. pol. Philipp Poppitz	Tue.: 12:00–14:00 A05 1-159 ECTS: 3 CP
2.02.822	Seminar: Economic Transformation and Integration (MA Level)	Prof. Dr. Hans-Michael Trautwein; Philipp Poppitz	Wed., 22 Apr.: 18:00–20:00 A14 0-031  Thu., 9 Jul.: 9:00–18:00 V03 0-D003  Fri., 17 Jul.: 9:00–18:00 A14 1-112  ECTS: 3 CP

**wir879 – Transnational Intellectual Property Law**

2.03.009	Lecture: Knowledge Transfer Regimes in International Relation (MA Level)	Prof. Dr. Christine Godt	Thu.: 12:00–14:00 A05 1-159 ECTS: 3 CP
2.03.010	Seminar: Intellectual Property (MA Level)	Prof. Dr. Christine Godt	Thu.: 10:00–12:00 A04 4-414 ECTS: 3 CP

**wir911 - Advanced Topics in Sustainability Economics**

2.12.092	Lecture: Digital Transformation: Strategies and Sustainability	Prof. Dr. Jörn Hoppmann	Wed.: 12:00–16:00 A01 0-005 ECTS: 6 CP
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