

Module 10	Social Participation and Democracy				
	<i>Soziale Teilhabe und Demokratie</i>				
	Module type		Elective		
	Module ID number		107501000		
	Credit points (LP)		10 LP		
	Semester hours per week (SWS)		4 SWS		
	Semester	3rd/4th semester	Workload (total)		300 h
	Term	Fall semester <i>Focus: political science</i> Spring semester <i>Focus: sociology</i>	of which	Classroom hours	60 h
	Duration	Two semesters		Self-study	240 h
Qualification objective		<p><i>Students can freely choose any three of the four advanced modules. Each module extends over two semesters.</i></p> <p>Advanced Module 1 focuses on analytical approaches to political culture in political science (in the first semester), and on deepening students' understanding of cultural sociology, historical and political sociology (in the second semester). To this end, students analyze social and political change both in terms of discursive and social structural shifts in political culture in the narrow sense, and in the broader social foundations of social order. In parallel with their teaching research activities, students thereby expand their social analytical skills and relate the discursive negotiation of cultural symbols to material relations. They can name and classify relevant theoretical and empirical findings, illustrate them with examples, and contextualize their own teaching research empiricism with them.</p>			
Expertise		<p>Students will become familiar with central concepts, theories, and findings of cultural sociology as well as historical and political sociology, on the one hand, and political science on the other. They will deepen their ability to adopt sociological or political science approaches and to represent them in interdisciplinary contexts. In so doing, they will expand their ability to develop further questions and scenarios based on the current state of research and can discuss broad questions of the change of symbolic orders in a differentiated manner on the basis of cultural phenomena depicted in empirical studies. Students will be able to distinguish between normative positioning and sociological representation.</p>			
Methodological competence		<p>Students will expand their abilities to present and discuss the above-mentioned problems in written and verbal form. They will learn to differentiate between sociological analysis, political science issues and public discourse and can position their own issues in relation to these.</p>			
Social and interpersonal skills		<p>Students will strengthen both their competence in independent learning and their ability to introduce and represent their own perspectives in groups. They will learn to critically classify the variety of interpretations offered by political science, journalistic, and contemporary sociological discourses, which will help them develop their own social scientific perspective on issues of social change in parallel to their course research experience.</p>			

Continuation of Module 10:

Course and study formats	Lecture, seminar discussion, small group discussion, presentations, portfolio
Module coordinator	Prof. Dr. Monika Eig Müller Prof. Dr. Torben Lütjen
Prerequisites	None
Teaching language	German/English
Applicable degree program	B.A. Social Sciences: Social and Political Change / Required elective area 'Challenges of Social Change') B.A. European Cultures and Society / Credits for module TD S3/TD S5