B.A. European Cultures and Society												
Modultitel	Vertiefung Forschungsmethoden											
englischer Modultitel	Intermediate Research Methods											
Modul DE 5 Pflichtmodul	Leistungs- punkte	Lehrangebot	Workload	davon Präsenz- zeit	davon Selbst- stud.	Dauer	Turnus	Studien- abschnitt				
680105000	10	4 hrs/week	300 h	60 h	240 h	1 Sem.	jedes SoSe	4. Sem.				

The successful student is able to plan, design and perform empirical work appropriate to the courses taken. Especially, s/he is able to match scientific problems to the appropriate method, plan and perform the necessary data generating procedures, analyse and interpret the data and relate them to a wider theoretical context.

Building on the introductory modules DE 2 and DE 3 the student can choose 2 out of 3 courses in intermediate research methods. The choice should be made according to the student's preferences and chosen focus. In the course on hermeneutics and alternatives (2.), the student will deepen his or her understanding of textual and discourse analysis. This course is recommended for students focusing on cultural issues. In the course on statistics (3.), quantitative methods including an introduction to statistics are addressed and applied. This course is recommended for students focusing on the analysis of European society. The course on Comparative Analysis in the Social Sciences (1.) focusses on quantitative comparative and related methods mainly using databases of various countries. This course may be appropriate for students of both foci. All courses put the respective methods in a wider context.

The student will deepen his or her ability to evaluate the appropriateness, strengths and weaknesses of different research methods. Where necessary, s/he will acquire additional computer based skills.

The student will begin to be able to assess the time, effort and financial resources necessary to perform a certain research project. S/he will train his or her abilities to cooperate with others on a project.

Methods of instruction include, but are not limited to, ex-cathedra teaching, classroom discussions, student presentations and different forms of student group work and self-study. The latter will take up a considerable share of course time.

Teilmodule						
	Titel					
	680105100 Comparative Analysis in Social Sciences					
	680105200					

	2,	Philosophy of science, hermeneutics and alternative approaches	
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	3,	Intermediate quantitative methods	l
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