The successful student will be familiar with theoretical approaches used in the social sciences to compare different national societies and economies. A focus lies on institutionalist approaches in political science, sociology and economics and in the approaches collectively called "comparative capitalism." Particular care is taken to connect the subnational (the "region") and supra national levels (EU) with relevant "systemic" effects.

Students will be able to describe and analyse European national societies and economies using theoretical approaches of the social sciences. They will be able to relate these with variations on the subnational level and situate them in the supranational, European level.

Students will sharpen their analytical abilities to understand countries as connected, multi-layered systems.

Students will develop an analytical lens for the daily information flow and will be able to recognise and criticise simplistic stereotypes and prejudices about countries.

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