Course Catalogue

Summer Term 2017

MA „Global Studies with a special emphasis on Peace and Security in Africa“
A Word of Welcome

On behalf of the Global and European Studies Institute (GESI) I would like to welcome all of you joining us for the academic summer term 2017 at the University of Leipzig. We are happy to host you for your second term of the Master’s programme “Global Studies: Peace and Security in Africa”, your next step towards graduation. You are the fourth cohort of the Master’s programme, which was launched in September 2012, jointly with our partner, the Institute for Peace and Security Studies (IPSS).

Our institute hosts the MA “Global Studies – A European Perspective” and the MA “European Studies. It will be interesting and valuable to exchange thoughts and experiences with the students from those programmes during the courses and your leisure time.

This brochure provides information about the courses taught in your programme in the coming summer term. You will discover that some courses are designed for the specific requirements of studying peace and security in Africa. Some courses, however, are offered to students from all three programmes and are broader in context, which allow for academic exchange and a cross-fertilization of perspectives.

We scheduled two modules for you in which you have to attend two seminars. One seminar of each module is mandatory, but you can choose one of the remaining two. Please register for the elective ones as soon as possible (anne.fahlbusch@uni-leipzig.de), since there are limited spots. First come, first served! Besides the mandatory curriculum, you are free to explore the academic landscape of our institute and the University of Leipzig.

Most courses are supported by the online learning platform moodle: https://moodle2.uni-leipzig.de/. Links and passwords to the respective courses will be communicated to you by your lecturers.

We are preparing a range of welcome and leisure time activities to make your stay in Leipzig a great experience. We encourage you to network and connect with students from the other two programmes.

I wish all of you an excellent start into this summer term,

Yours

Prof. Dr. Ulf Engel
Programme Director Leipzig
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Timeline – Summer Term 2017

Academic Term 01.04.2017 – 30.09.2017
Lecture Time 03.04.2017 – 08.07.2017

Holidays:
Karfreitag / Good Friday 14.04.2017
Ostermontag / Easter Monday 17.04.2017
1. Mai 01.05.2017
Himmelfahrt / Ascension Day 25.05.2017
Pfingstmontag / Whit Monday 05.06.2017

Deadlines:
Submission Essays 31.08.2017

List of Abbreviations

BS Block Seminar
C Consultations
CAS Centre for Area Studies (Thomaskirchhof 20, 04109 Leipzig)
Co Colloquium
GESI Global and European Studies Institute (Emil-Fuchs-Straße 1, 04105 Leipzig)
GWZ Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum (Beethovenstraße 15, 04107 Leipzig)
GWZO Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas (Specks Hof, Eingang A, Reichsstr. 4-6, 04109 Leipzig)
HSG Hörsaalgebäude (Universitätsstraße 7, 04109 Leipzig)
L Lecture
LC Language Course
NSG Neues Seminargebäude (Universitätsstraße 5, 04109 Leipzig)
S Seminar
City map (highlighted are the main buildings of the University of Leipzig and places, which are relevant for the first week)

1 Emil-Fuchs-Straße 1, Global and European Studies Institute (GESI) – administrative headquarter of our programme
2 Thomaskirchhof 20, Centre for Area Studies (CAS)
3 Markgrafenstraße 3, Bürgeramt / Civil Office
4 Beethovenstraße 6 + 15, Biblioteca Albertina & Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum (GWZ)
5 Specks Hof, Geisteswissenschaftliches Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas (GWZO)
6 Universitätsstraße 1-3, Neues Seminargebäude (NSG), Hörsaalgebäude (HSG), Campus Library, Mensa
7 Universitätsstraße 9, Moritzbastei, Welcome Party
8 Goethestraße 6, International office / Studentensekretariat (SSZ)
Mandatory Courses

2 x Seminar Module GS-0810
2 x Seminar Module GS-0840

Courses Summer Term 2017

GS-0810 Regions in Globalisation Processes: Africa and the Near East I

S  Ulf Engel: Respacing Africa: Regionalism
S  Ulf Engel/Manfred Ohm: Recent trends in peace and governance in Africa: APSA & AGA progressing?
S  Dmitri van den Bersselaar: Debates on African History

GS-0840 Regions in Globalisation Processes: Europe I

S  Alexandra Athanasopoulou-Köpping: The EU: a global power in crisis?
S  Wolfram von Schelihua: Transitional Justice
S  Claudia Baumann: Transregional Perspectives on African and European Universities

Additional (elective)

Co  Konstanze Loeke: Global Studies Career Perspectives
LC  German Classes
GS-0810 Regions in Globalisation Processes: Africa and the Near East I

Respacing Africa: Regionalisms

Seminar
Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Ulf Engel (Institute for African Studies)
Time: Tuesday, 11.15am – 2.45pm (4 academic hours each session), from 25 April until 13 June 2017
Place: GESI, Room 3.16
Participation: Mandatory
Examination: Essay

Description:
This seminar is addressing current processes of respatialization on the African continent. Drawing on a spatial turn perspective, we will analyse how different spatial formats are negotiated, resulting in new spatial orders that reflect the power balance of various actors. Among others, we will scrutinize the debate about “new regionalism”, changing urban spaces, large-scale land acquisitions, the containment of violent spaces, refugees and migration as well the dynamics of borderlands.

Introductory literature:

Recent Trends in peace and Governance in Africa: APSA & AGA progressing?

Seminar
Lecturer: Prof. Dr Ulf Engel (Institute for African Studies) and Dr. Manfred Ohm (Friedrich-Ebert Foundation Berlin)
Time: Friday, 9.15am – 12.45pm, (4 academic hours each session), from 28 April until 16 June 2017
Place: GESI, Room 3.16
Participation: Elective
Examination: Essay
Slots available: 8 (Please register as soon as possible: anne.fahlbusch@uni-leipzig.de)

Description:
This seminar is taking stoke of the state of peace and governance in Africa. It is addressing the current dynamics of implementing the African Peace and Security Architecture (APSA) as well as the African Governance Architecture (AGA). We will make extensive use of primary resources and analyse current controversial debates around issues such as peace-keeping, the ICC, third-term debates, financial dependency, etc.

Introductory literature:

Debates on African History

Seminar
Lecturer: Dr. Dmitri Van Den Bersselaar (Institute for African Studies)
Time: Thursday, 9.15 – 10.45 am
Place: GWZ, 2.216
Participation: Elective
Examination: Essay

Description:
Our knowledge of Africa’s past is shaped by ideas which are fiercely debated in academic circles. The seminar will explore a range of recent discussions which may include a selection from the following: Afrocentrism; the impact of the Atlantic slave trade on African politics; the history of begging; gender and power; the Mfecane; the political economy of the Kalahari Desert; reasons for Africa’s “underdevelopment”; the modernity of witchcraft; explanations for corruption; sexual identities; human sacrifice; and the postcolonial state.
GS-0840 Regions in Globalisation Processes: Europe I

The EU: a global power in crisis?

Lecture
Lecturer: Alexandra Athanasopoulou-Köpping
Time: Tuesday and Thursday, 9.15 – 10.45 am, only from 4 April 2017 until 25 May 2017
Place: Tuesday: NSG, Room 305; Thursday: NSG, Room 324
Participation: Elective
Examination: Portfolio

Description:
After the end of the Cold War the EU emerged as the success story of West European regional integration. It extended its border to the East and at the same time created institutions to deal with the new international order that emerged. By 2005, a body of academic literature presented the EU as a normative power in the world and it culminated with the 2012 Nobel Peace Prize. However, in the last couple of years the EU appears to be in crisis. Between the challenges of Brexit, the management of the migration crisis, the uncertain future that the new American administration has brought to the USA-Europe relations and the rise of populists and Eurosceptic parties all over Europe, the EU is confronted with an existential crisis. The seminar will introduce the historical developments that have caused this crisis.

Transregional Perspectives on African and European Universities

Seminar
Lecturer: Dr. Claudia Baumann
Time: Monday, 1.15 – 2.45 pm
Place: GESI, Room 3.15
Participation: Mandatory
Examination: Essay

Description:
Higher education has gained considerable importance on a global scale. This is partly due to an increase of newly established universities in Asia and Africa and a continuously growing number of students worldwide combined with the firm belief that societies have moved towards a so-called knowledge age in a globalizing world. Well-educated people are believed to drive innovation, increase economic growth, and help nations to gain influence globally. Rather than taking it for granted that universities can produce this practice oriented knowledge that policy makers hope for, this seminar seeks to bring together diverging understandings of what a university is and what it can or should do. Key topics in African and European higher education policy help to structure the debate. This includes higher education models and academic cultures from 18th and 19th century Europe, financial restructuring and privatization in the 1980s, the role of science and technology, academic mobility and internationalization, as well as continental integration and regional development. This seminar encourages debates beyond conventional colonial legacies and capacity building, and invites students to sharpen senses for comparability and transregional connectedness between Africa and Europe.

Introductory Literature:
Transitional Justice

Seminar
Lecturer: Dr. Wolfram von Scheliha
Time: Thursday, 5.15 – 6.45 pm
Place: NSG, Room 304
Participation: Elective
Examination: Essay

Description:
With the Nuremberg Trials after WWII a process began which, after the end of the cold war, became more dynamic and which is usually summarized under the term Transitional Justice. The launch of a universal human rights agenda led to the need for the international community to enforce these principles in some cases of severe violations, to punish the perpetrators, and to do justice to the victims. The today commonly used term Transitional Justice was not coined until the mid-1990s. At the same time, the international community started to develop instruments for implementing transitional justice measures in post-conflict societies and eventually established the International Criminal Court as a permanent institution for dealing with major war crimes and crimes against humanity. However, states, societies and international actors had been confronted with these problems already for centuries. The seminar explores how the experience of violence was addressed traditionally and how this approach was gradually altered, starting at the end for the First World War. We will also look at ideology driven attempts to execute transitional justice that actually led to new crimes and injustice. The regional focus of the seminar is on Central and Eastern Europe. Part of the seminar is a one-day excursion to the Buchenwald Memorial in Weimar where we study the histories of the Buchenwald Concentration Camp (1937-1945) and the Soviet Special Camp no. 2 (1945-1950) as well as their memorialization in the GDR and in united Germany.

Introductory literature:

Optional

Global Studies Career Perspectives
Colloquium
Lecturers: Dr. Anne Cornelia Kenneweg, Konstanze Loeke, Gabi Struck and guest speakers
Time/Place: diverse Thursdays, from 1-3 pm (concrete dates to be announced); NSG, Room 3.05
Workshops: 21.04 AND 28.04. (each from 11 am to 6 pm), Room: GESI
Application training: 16 June (10 am – 4 pm), Room tba
Roundtable with PhD-students (voluntary): tba
Participation: Elective
Examination: Group work, motivation letter, CV, active participation

Description:
What to do after having successfully completed the Master’s course in Global Studies? For sure a question each student has asked her- or himself at least once. Although this question will need to be answered by each graduate individually, the Global Studies Colloquium aims at familiarizing you with a range of different career outlooks. Guest speakers will introduce you to different opportunities and inform you about requirements needed for a certain position and the duties and (daily) work related to it. In this regard the colloquium should help you to sensitize you for prospective professional paths after graduation. It will however not be limited to the dissemination of information; you will also have the chance to further develop skills demanded on the labor market with the help of a two days workshop. This workshop will acquaint you with techniques on how to organize knowledge/information for specific purposes. You may choose between two different workshops. The first workshop will make you familiar with project management techniques. It will focus on methods used within development cooperation and you will be introduced on how to set objectives and achieve them. The second workshop will be related to knowledge management and transfer. You will learn about different concepts and forms of knowledge and organizational learning. The workshop also gives an introduction to knowledge management tools used to organize and present knowledge for different purposes and audiences. Both workshops will take place on April 21st and April 28th. You will be provided with further information on the workshops via email and you will need to register online for one of the two offers. You have additionally the possibility to attend a one day application training. This training aims at introducing you to all fields related to the application process (from where to look for a job to legal aspects of employment) in Germany. Furthermore there is the possibility to organize a roundtable with PhD-students in order to get to know about their personal experiences on what it means to conduct a PhD. The Colloquium will not be graded you will however need to pass it successfully by active participation.

**German Classes**

The courses will start in the 2nd week of April (April 10th to 16th) and will take place ones a week during the following times at the NSG (= Neues Seminargebäude, at the Campus Augustusplatz in Universitätsstraße)

The courses are free of costs for you. However you will be charged 5 Euro for course material for the entire term. Therefore please do not forget to take for the first session 5 Euro in cash with you.

**Beginners**

Instructor: tba
Time: Monday, 11.15 am – 12.45 pm from 10th April 2017
Place: NSG, Room 427

**Projects and Events**

As we have started in January 2016 a major research project, the Collaborative Research Group 1199 "Spatializations under the Global Condition" ([http://research.uni-leipzig.de/~sfb1199/events/](http://research.uni-leipzig.de/~sfb1199/events/)) you can also expect even more guest speakers and researchers to visit. This is an opportunity for you to engage with cutting edge research on space and globalization projects.

At the end of your term in Leipzig we are organizing a summer party together with all Global Studies and European Studies students to celebrate the summer, a successful summer term and the experiences so far. It will take place at in the garden of the GESI and you are more than welcome to contribute with traditions from your home country.