



**GIS | SPECIAL COURSES
FOR INCOMINGS**
WINTER SEMESTER 2017/18

GIS | Gutenberg International School

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Welcome at Johannes Gutenberg University!

We are happy to present you the newly established Gutenberg International School's course program for incoming students.

The following courses have been specifically designed for incoming exchange students. The Gutenberg International School aims at developing an attractive course program for exchange students, both for students with no and with little knowledge of the German language. Several of these courses are also open for regular degree-seeking students of Johannes Gutenberg University, as they can also benefit from the "international classroom" atmosphere and the new perspectives exchange students may provide within the classroom and vice versa.

Furthermore, Johannes Gutenberg University offers over 400 courses open to exchange students taught in English, French, Spanish and other languages. You can find a complete list and registration information under www.studying.uni-mainz.de/course-registration-for-exchange-students/

List of Non-German Courses for exchange students:
bit.ly/2xA5sli

General Course Registration für Exchange students:
www.studying.uni-mainz.de/course-registration-for-exchange-students

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**BEYOND CLICHÉS – GERMAN AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN INTERCULTURAL EXCHANGE
(3 ECTS for the Seminar + 2 for the Tutorial)**

Language: English

Aim:

We are keen to welcome students from Mainz and all over the world to participate in this comprehensive intercultural training. Students taking this course will team up in small groups to reflect on their own cultural background, how it is perceived by others, and how they in turn perceive habits shaped by different cultures.

Content:

The course will take place in three block sessions taught by Ellen Rana, a professional intercultural trainer and academic from Koblenz University of Applied Sciences. Students get an insight into the basic concepts and theories of intercultural communication and apply their knowledge to their own intercultural experiences throughout the semester. Students are sensitized to pitfalls lurking when encountering different cultures, are enabled to actively shape their own presence in international contexts and to engage successfully in intercultural situations.

Course work:

Assisted by trained tutors, the course work will consist of unique and practical assignments where international and JGU-students reflect on their intercultural experience in Mainz by keeping a learning journal and choosing from a variety of creative options including: filmed or animated videos, vlogs, photo journals, blogs or infographics.

To register, please write an email to international.fb02@uni-mainz.de providing the following information:

- your first and your last name
 - your matriculation number (if you already have one)
 - your field of study/your subject at your home university
- Additionally please contact your "coordinator" for admission.

Time:

Friday afternoon (within the time-window of 14:00-18:00):
- three lectures from 14:00 to 17:15 (with a break of 15 minutes) at 20th of October, 10th of November, and 1st of December
- tutorial of 90 minutes in the weeks where there is no lecture

Location: GFG, Room 02-607

**THE SOCIAL SCIENTIST'S VIEW OF GERMANY
(5 ECTS for the Seminar + 3 for the Tutorial)**

Language: English

Seminar

Students of the social sciences from all over the world taking part in this seminar will get the opportunity to view Germany from various perspectives within the social sciences. The seminar will provide insights into a wide range of topics related to German society, politics, media and culture.

The lecturers, who are social scientists themselves, will teach and discuss different perspectives on the multiple course topics. Within the seminar's interdisciplinary approach students are encouraged to contribute by actively sharing their views on the topics at hand as the seminar's concept is a highly interactive one. To successfully take part in the seminar (5 ECTS) students will have to fulfill the following requirements:

Oral presentation + written exam + term paper (incl. a draft) + class participation

Time: Wednesdays, 4.15pm - 5.45pm
Location: SB 2, Room 03-436

Tutorial

The seminar will be accompanied by a tutorial (3 ECTS) introducing students from abroad to the techniques of academic work within the German university context. By attending this tutorial students will be able to meet the formal requirements concerning literature research, oral presentations and term papers which are also very useful for other courses they will attend while studying at the JGU Mainz.

Time: Wednesdays, 6:15pm - 7:45 pm
Location: SB 2, Room 02-146

The seminar and tutorial are open for all incoming students.

We recommend taking part in both the seminar and the tutorial.

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- your matriculation number (if you already have one)
- your field of study/your subject at your home university
- if you want to take part in the seminar and the tutorial or just one of them

**VISUAL HISTORY OF GERMANY IN THE 20TH CENTURY
(5 ECTS for the Seminar + 3 for the Tutorial)**

Language: English

This course aims at describing pivotal developments in German politics, economics, culture and society. An excursion to Bonn and to the „Haus der Geschichte“ will supplement the course.

With this course we want to accommodate the heterogeneity of the incoming students specifically in terms of interests as well as language skills and academic level. While the previous courses have been taught in German and were aimed at incoming students from all faculties as well as regular students from the History department (in accordance with the concept of the international classroom), this new course will break new ground with its exclusive focus on the needs of incoming students with no or little knowledge of the German language.

To register send an email to Dr. Pia Nordblom: nordblom@uni-mainz.de

Time: Wednesdays, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Location: SB 2, Room 02-132

**INTRODUCTION TO GERMAN PRIVATE LAW
(4 ECTS)**

Language: English

Private law is one of the three large fields of law (besides public law and criminal law); German private law distinguishes itself with a unique structure, which is a valuable experience of contrast for students from other countries. An additional tutorial will serve as a means to clarify questions. This course is not only interesting for students of law but also for students of economics since the private law offers the legal frame for economic transactions. The course may also be interesting for students from the humanities (philosophy, history) and social sciences (sociology, political science), as the legal system and especially its central codification, always reflects the values and the historic and socio-political constellations in its creation and development.

To register send an email to the Law Department's International Office: erasmus-jura@uni-mainz.de

Time: TBA
Location: TBA

LIFE AND DEATH IN THE RHINE-MAIN-AREA, FROM THE CELTIC AGE UNTIL THE TIME OF CHARLE MAGNE (8 ECTS)

Language: bilingual, German and English

The modern Rhine-Main area looks onto a rich history characterized by a multitude of diverse cultures. Its location in the heart of Europe allows us to regard it as a true cultural hub. This interdisciplinary and primarily archaeological course aims at introducing students of all disciplines to a selection of sites and finds throughout the above mentioned timeline -focusing only on significant historic events- and to the currently main applied methods. It is open to all exchange students and all students of the JGU and consists of a seminar (2 hrs) and an obligatory tutorial (2 hrs). A field trip to some prominent sites in Mainz will be offered towards the end of the course. The students will undertake 2 exams (they have the choice between a German and an English version) which they will have to pass with at least 50% each to receive their credit points (8 ECTS in total). Apart from that, they are free to additionally hand in a seminar paper (in German or English), should it be required.

Registration:

Please send an email to gupte@uni-mainz.de, jreissma@uni-mainz.de providing the following information:

- your first and your last name
- your matriculation number (if you already have one)
- your field of study/subject, semester and your home university's name

Time: Mondays 9:00 am -10:30 am and Fridays, 10:15 am - 11:45 am

Location: SB II, 03-152

LEKTÜREÜBUNG FÜR AUSTAUSCHSTUDIERENDE: E.T.A HOFFMANN, ERZÄHLUNGEN (4 ECTS)

Sprache: Deutsch

Die Übung wird im Wesentlichen aus einer auf das sprachliche und sachliche Verständnis des Werkes abzielenden gemeinsamen Textlektüre und -besprechungen bestehen. Die Veranstaltung zielt darauf ab, auf einem den Sprachkenntnissen der Austauschstudierenden angemessenen Niveau Textverständnis und Sprachfähigkeit zu verbessern. Am Ende des Semesters kann durch das Absolvieren einer mündlichen Prüfung eine qualifizierte Note erworben werden.

Die **Anmeldung** wird individuell an einem Anmeldetermin beim Dozierenden oder am ersten Sitzungstermin des Semesters stattfinden, bei dem gleichzeitig die sprachlichen Voraussetzungen der Studierenden überprüft werden.

Zeit: Mittwochs, 18:15 - 19:45 Uhr

Ort: Philosophicum, Übungsraum 01-471

LEKTÜREÜBUNG FÜR AUSTAUSCHSTUDIERENDE: BERTOLT BRECHT, "LEBEN DES GALILEI" (4 ECTS)

Sprache: Deutsch

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Zeit: Dienstags, 10:15 - 11:45 Uhr

Ort: SB II, Raum 03-153

EINE GESCHICHTE DER STADT MAINZ IM SPIEGEL IHRER KULTURINSTITUTIONEN (5 ECTS for the Seminar + 3 for the Tutorial)

Sprache: Deutsch

Museen, Theater, Bibliotheken, Denkmäler in Mainz – inwiefern sind sie Zeugnisse von Kultur, Kunst oder Politik? Was vermitteln sie uns über das Kulturverständnis und die Weltansicht derer, die sie gegründet oder erbaut haben, die sie bis heute besuchen oder die sie vielleicht eher meiden? Was ist an ihnen regionalspezifisch und wo vermitteln sie zeittypische Positionen? Der Kurs will Mainzer Stadtgeschichte in ihren lokalen, regionalen und überregionalen Bezügen vom 19. Jahrhundert bis zur Gegenwart anschaulich vermitteln. Besichtigungen vor Ort und Textarbeit im Seminar, praktische Erfahrungen und theoretische Auseinandersetzung sollen eng miteinander verwoben werden.

Der Kurs (2 SWS) wird in einer gemischten Lerngruppe angeboten: Incoming aller Fächer und Studierende des Faches Geschichte arbeiten in Teams. Für Incoming wird ein begleitendes Tutorium (2 SWS) angeboten. Incoming können 8 ECTS erwerben.

Anmeldung über Dr. Pia Nordblom: nordblom@uni-mainz.de

Zeit: Montags, 14:00 - 16:00 Uhr

Ort: SB II, Raum 03-153

SECOND-LANGUAGE EMERGENCE: COURSE DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION IN THEORY AND PRACTICE (6 ECTS)

Language: English

Only for students at the department of Language, Culture and Translation in GERMERSHEIM

This will be a highly practical course in how to teach a foreign language using the Scaffolded Language Emergence approach developed at the FTSC over the past decade. The course will comprise two components:

- 1) a 25-hour elementary course in the Hindi language, which will take place from every morning from 9-13 October (during the week prior to the first week of classes in the WS). The idea behind this course is to provide potential SLE teachers with an SLE learning experience in preparation for designing and running their own SLE courses. and
- 2) the creation and running of an introductory workshop in languages of the students' choice. Students will be expected to work in small teams of 2-3 to create and run these workshops. The exact meeting times for the preparation sessions and for the actual workshops will be determined in consultation with the class participants prior to the beginning of the semester.

The course instructor and another trained SLE teacher will be available to provide significant tutoring for each team of workshop developers and leaders.

Please note that this course is specifically open to ERASMUS students from any country! Preparatory theoretical work will be done in English and no knowledge of German will be required. Ideally, the workshops in the various languages will be designed and run by native speakers (or at least very competent (C1-level) speakers of those languages. Workshops can also be run in German or English if you wish. The course is also specifically open to Cross Borders teachers who would like to try a naturalistic and pedagogically well-founded approach upon which to base their Cross Borders class sessions.

The actual workshops will be run late in the semester with the participation of interested FTSC students.

The objective of the course is to enable untrained language teachers to initiate, create, develop and run elementary courses in their native language or any foreign language they master by the end of the semester.

Time: Monday, October 9th - Friday, October 13th, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Location: FAS Lecture Building, Room 02-369 (Campus GERMERSHEIM)