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Academic Schedule

Fall Semester 2002-2003

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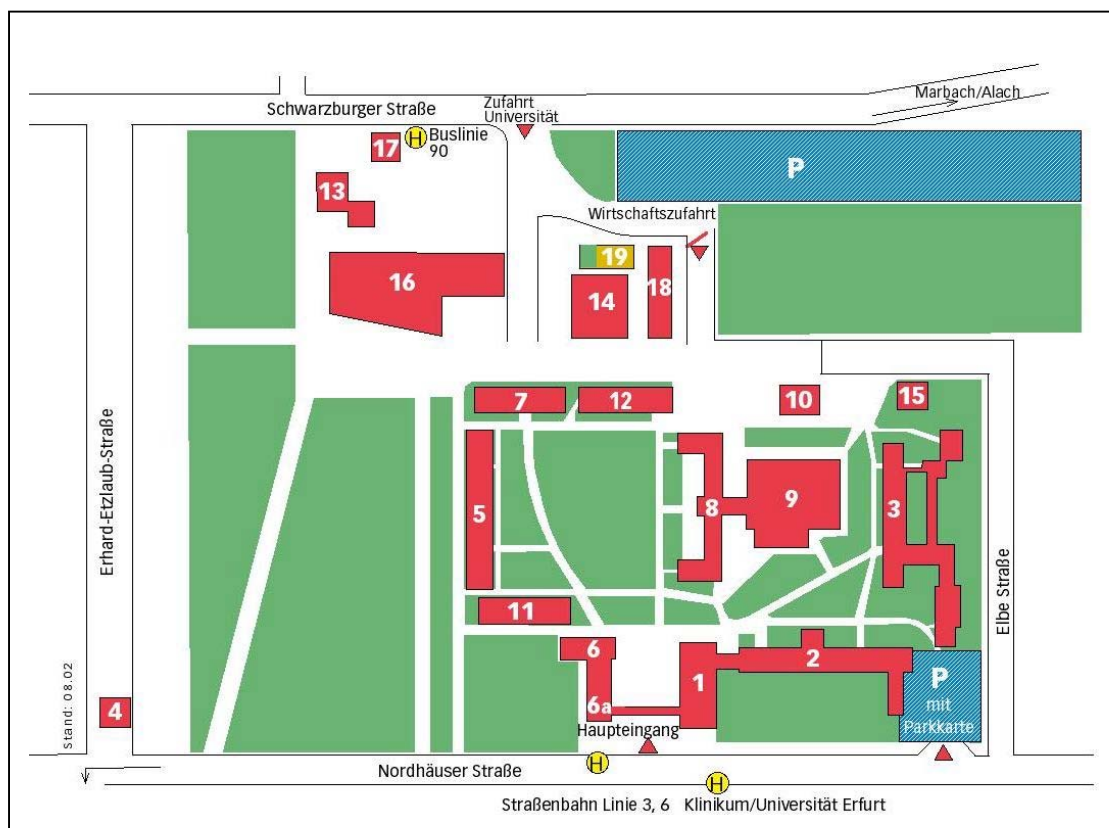
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Important Dates

Fall Term 2002/03

October 1, 2002	Fall semester starts
October 10-18, 2002	University Orientation Seminar
October 14-18, 2002	MPP: Introduction week
October 21, 2002	Classes begin
December 23, 2002 – January 5, 2003	Winter recess
February 3-14, 2003	Examination period
February 15, 2003	Classes end
March 31, 2003	Semester Ends

Summer Term 2003

April 1, 2003	Spring Semester starts
April 14, 2003	Classes begin
July 7-18, 2003	Examination Period
July 19, 2003	Classes end
September 30, 2003	Semester Ends

Degree Program: Master of Public Policy

Program Structure and Requirements

The MPP program prepares students through an academically-grounded, practical education for a leadership position in the public sector: in politics, administration, international organizations, business organizations and enterprises, consulting firms, unions, and NGOs.

The Erfurt MPP program is both academic as well as practical, has both an international as well as an interdisciplinary orientation, and allows an individual to choose his or her learning path and course concentration through its modular composition.

The MPP program is organized into:

- Policy Analysis module
- Management module
- Competencies module
- Specialization modules
- Basics and Language module
- Practical exercise module
- Graduation module

Students must complete a total of 120 credits within the four semesters (30 per semester). As in all B.A. and M.A. programs at the University of Erfurt, credits are distributed based on the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)

Courses from the policy analysis module are taught during the first semester and include the following compulsory courses: PA 101 Introduction to Public Policy; PA 201 Quantitative Analysis and Empirical Methods, and PA 301 Economic Analysis and Modeling. Furthermore you have to pass one elective chosen from the subject area "Policy Analysis". For the analysis module you will be awarded a total of 24 credit points.

Courses from the management module are taught during the second semester. You have to pass the following compulsory courses: STM 101 Strategic Management in the Public Sector and FIN 101 Financial Management in the Public Sector. You will be awarded a total of 12 credit points.

Courses from the Competencies module are taught during the third semester. You have to pass the following compulsory courses: COM 101 Political Leadership and Advocacy and ETH 101 Ethical Questions in the Public Sector. You will be awarded a total of 12 credit points.

Specialization modules are taught during the second and third semester. You need to pass to specialization modules consisting of two courses each. You will be awarded a total of 18 credit points.

From the basics and language module you have to obtain a total of 9 credit points.

The practical exercise module consists of an internship (lasting minimum of four weeks) and a project seminar. You will be awarded a total of 15 credit points.

In the graduation module you are required to write your master thesis for which you will obtain 30 credit points.

Mentors

Academic Mentor

At the beginning of their studies at ESPP each student will be assigned a professor or lecturer as individual academic mentor. The mentor should be consulted at least once a semester. Students may choose their mentor, but the choice of mentor should take into consideration or be adapted to guaranteeing the academic supervision of the student's master thesis.

Professional Mentor

At the beginning of the second academic year, each student will be assigned a second mentor. This professional mentor, preferably coming from the public policy institution at which the student is completing their four-week internship (civil service office, think tank, political consulting firm, etc.); will offer careers advise in terms of suggesting appropriate career options, practice-oriented thesis topics and promote relevant contacts in the chosen public policy area.

Multimedia

New media – most notably the internet – offer new opportunities for teaching and instruction at universities. ESPP integrates multimedia applications into the MPP curriculum at the University of Erfurt e.g. by offering online self-study units as well using an internet platform for ESPP communication, group learning etc.

The ESPP Multimedia project has been launched in the context of the German government's Investment in the Future program and the University of Erfurt is cooperating with the German University of Administrative Sciences at Speyer and the European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder). An introduction to the e-learning platform will be part of orientation week.

Please note

The Complete Examination Rules (in German and English) and a detailed Student Manual for the MPP program will be handed out during the orientation week.

Instructors (Fall term 2002/03)

(in alphabetical order)

Eckhart Arnold

Lecturer



Eckhart Arnold has studied Political Science, Philosophy and Public Law in Bonn. His research interests are in political theory and analytic philosophy. He will be teaching a course on the mathematical foundations of policy analysis.

Martin Borowsky

Lecturer



Martin Borowsky is currently judge at the Thuringia State Court in Erfurt. He holds a PhD in Law and is currently working on a project dealing with the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights for the Staatskanzlei of Thuringia.

Heike Grimm

Associate Professor, Research Lectureship for Public Policy



Heike Grimm holds the Research Lectureship for Public Policy at the University of Erfurt. She studied Political Science, Economics, History of Economics and Arabic at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University in Munich and at the London School of Oriental and African Studies. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of Munich.

Before taking up her appointment at Erfurt, Dr. Grimm worked as Senior Fellow at the German-American Center for Visiting Scholars in Washington D.C., led a research project on business development at the Research Institute of Public Administration of the German University of Administrative Sciences Speyer, and worked as consultant and business analyst in Brussels, Belgium.

Dietmar Herz

Professor, Director of the Erfurt School of Public and Vice-President for Studies and Teaching



Dietmar Herz holds the Chair for Comparative Government at the University of Erfurt. He holds an MPA degree from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, where he studied Political Science and Public Administration. He also studied Political Science, Law, Philosophy and History at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University in Munich and the London School of Economics. He holds an M.A. and

Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Munich, where he also passed the State Exams for Lawyers.

Before taking up his current position, he served as Professor for Political Science at the University of Bonn, Distinguished Visiting Fulbright Professor for German and European Studies at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, lecturer for Political Science at Ernst-Moritz-Arndt-University, Greifswald, and Visiting Professor at the Helmut Kohl Institute for European Studies of the Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

Ulla Kalbfleisch-Kottsieper

Lecturer

Ulla Kalbfleisch Kottsieper is Ministerialdirigentin at the Staatskanzlei of Thuringia. She studied Sociology, Economics and Law at the University of Frankfurt and passed the Second State Exam in Law. Her past positions include head of the International Relations and European Department at the Ministry of Law and European Affairs in Thuringia as well as lectureships at the University of Jena, Freie Universität Berlin and Humboldt University of Berlin.

Christian Oberländer

Visiting Professor

Christian Oberländer is Visiting Professor for Public Policy and American History. He studied Public Administration at Harvard University and holds an MPA from the Kennedy School of Government. He also holds an M.A. as well as a Ph.D. in Japanese Studies from the University of Bonn. At the University of Bonn he also studied the History of Medicine as well as Medicine and is a certified physician. In the past, Prof. Oberländer has taught at the University of Bonn, the University Halle-Wittenberg and the University of Tokyo.

Marc Schattenmann

Lecturer, Associate Director of the Erfurt School of Public Policy



Marc Schattenmann studied Political Science, Constitutional Law, Philosophy and Political Economy at the University of Munich and at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques in Paris and spent a year as Visiting and Teaching Fellow at the Department of Philosophy at Harvard University. His research interests lie at the intersection of liberal political philosophy, international relations and public policy.

Courses of Instruction

Mandatory Courses

291 0 001

Seminar

PA-101: Introduction to Public Policy

Instructor: Dietmar Herz; Marc Schattenmann

Weekly, TUESDAY 10-12

LG 4/ Room D 05

Description:

This course is an introduction to the theory and practice of policy making. It aims to introduce students to the various frameworks and approaches which may be employed to analyze policy problems and policy processes. It will consider how problems are defined, agendas set, policies formulated, decisions made and policies implemented and evaluated.

Literature:

DEBORAH STONE: Policy Paradox. The Art of Political Decision Making (New York: Norton, rev. ed., 2001)
WAYNE PARSONS: Public Policy. An Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Policy Analysis (Cheltenham, UK - Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar, 1999)

291 0 002

Seminar

PA-201: Quantitative Analysis and Empirical Methods

Instructor: Heike Grimm

Weekly, WEDNESDAY 10-12

LG 2/ Room 123

Description:

This course provides a comprehensive introduction to quantitative and other empirical approaches to policy analysis. It shows how social research is carried out and how it can form the basis of policy decisions and policy evaluation. All the major research methods and designs are covered; quantitative methods are explored in depth. The course covers topics such as descriptive statistics, probabilities, inferential statistics, and regression analysis.

Literature:

EVAN BERMAN: Essential Statistics for Public Managers and Policy Analysts (Washington, D.C.: CQ Press, 2002); SUSAN WELCH / JOHN COMER: Quantitative Methods for Public Administration: Techniques and Applications (Harcourt College Publishers, 2001)

291 0 003

Seminar

PA-301: Economic Analysis and Modeling

Instructor: Christian Oberländer

Weekly, WEDNESDAY 14-16

LG 2/ Room 200

Description:

This course introduces students to approaches and methods of policy analysis informed by economic theory. Topics covered include micro- and macro-economic approaches, game theory, theories of individual and collective decision-making.

Literature:

RICHARD ZECKHAUSER / ELISABETH STOKEY: A Primer for Policy Analysis (New York: Norton, 1978);
HOWARD RAIFFA: Decision Analysis (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1997); AVINASH DIXIT / SUSAN SKEATH:
Games of Strategy (New York: Norton, 1999)

291 0 00x

Seminar

PA: Issues in Policy Analysis

Instructor: N.N.

Intensive Seminar (Jan. or Feb. 2003)

Electives

291 0 004

Seminar

GL-EU-02: The EU Charter of Fundamental Rights – A Framework for European Public Policy?

Instructor: Martin Borowsky

by arrangement with instructor

to be announced

Description:

This course deals with the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, the *Ius Commune Europaeum* of human rights protection. It examines the numerous legal, political and ethical issues raised by the Charter. A thorough analysis should shed some light on the potential significance of the Charter for the future development of the European Union.

Literature:

Charter of Fundamental Rights

(http://europa.eu.int/comm/justice_home/unit/charte/index_en.html)

291 0 004

Seminar

GL-EU-01: European Governance – The Role of Executive Administration in a Multi-Level Federal System

Instructor: Ulla Kalbfleisch-Kottsieper

by arrangement with instructor

to be announced

Description:

[not yet filled out by instructor]

Literature:

NEIL NUGENT: The Government and Politics of the European Union, 4th edition, Macmillan, 1999.**Tutorials & Self-study units****Tutorial for PA-201: Quantitative Analysis and Empirical Methods (Internet-based Course)**

Instructors: Heike Grimm / Lutz Krebs

Posted online weekly

Description:

Weekly assignments on the topics of descriptive statistics, probabilities, inferential statistics, regression analysis.

Tutorial: Mathematical Foundations of Public Policy

Instructors: Eckhart Arnold

Weekly, Thursday 10-12

to be announced

Description:

Many aspects of public policy analysis require the use of mathematical methods. The Mathematical foundations course allows students to refresh their knowledge of mathematics and to acquire the basic mathematical skills needed for the analysis of policy problems on a more formal level. Fields covered include theory of sets, linear algebra and calculus. The course will be an internet-based course accompanied by a weekly tutorial.

Self-study Unit: „Menschliches Entscheidungsverhalten in komplexen Realitätsbereichen“ (Internet-based Course)

Instructors: Cornelius Buerschaper / Frank Detje

Posted online; plus 3 meetings upon arrangement with instructors

To be announced

Description:

The course on „Menschliches Entscheidungsverhalten in komplexen Realitätsbereichen“ (course language: German) teaches students the psychology of decision making. The course pinpoints the typical mistakes humans make when confronted with complex problem solving tasks. With the help of computer simulations students will find out why humans typically fail when dealing with complex problems and how to avoid such failures.

Language Courses

A listing of all language courses offered by the University of Erfurt is available online. Detailed information on courses open to ESPP students in Fall Semester 2002 will be available during orientation week.

Additional Courses

Students have the possibility to enroll in selected classes offered by other departments at the University of Erfurt, provided that space is available in these courses. Whether and how many credit points are awarded is subject to approval. Detailed information on courses open to ESPP students in Fall Semester 2002 will be available during orientation week.