

<b>BW37: Economics seminar</b>				<b>Study Programme:</b>	B
<b>Module type:</b>	<b>ECTS-Points:</b>	<b>Workload:</b>	<b>Semester:</b>	<b>Module Duration</b>	
Optional Compulsory	12	360	4. to 6.	One or two semesters	
<b>Courses:</b>			<b>Contact hours:</b>	<b>Independent study:</b>	<b>Planned Group Size</b>
Course 1: Homework with colloquium 1 (3 HPW <sup>1</sup> )			60h	180h	20
Course 2: Homework with colloquium 2 (3 HPW)			60h	180h	20
<b>Intended learning outcomes and competences</b>					
<p>Students prepare a written homework assignment, which is presented and discussed in a colloquium. The aim of this course work is to demonstrate that the students are able to independently review a topic, to outline their findings in a structured manner, as well as to critically evaluate the literature. The colloquium provides participants with an opportunity to develop their presentation skills in an academic context by preparing an oral presentation of their work and creating the appropriate presentation materials.</p> <p>Upon completing the module, students are able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- independently research an academic topic in a short span of time,</li> <li>- prepare written or oral presentations of their literature review,</li> <li>- understand and apply the rules of scientific writing,</li> <li>- outline the steps in the process of preparing an academic paper,</li> <li>- conduct a literature review independently, analyze findings critically and cite sources appropriately (both in written work and in presentations),</li> <li>- apply techniques of academic communication to transmit knowledge,</li> <li>- discuss critically the work of their peers,</li> <li>- reflect on their own working process.</li> </ul>					
<b>Key competencies:</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Academic work</li> <li>- Independent preparation</li> <li>- Problem solving</li> <li>- Critical thinking</li> <li>- Analytical skills</li> <li>- Willingness to learn and accomplish</li> <li>- Oral and written expression</li> </ul>					
<b>Content:</b>					
<p>The topics of the homework will be determined by the main lecturer in Economics at the beginning of each semester. The colloquia assist the study of academic techniques beyond the project theses included in the curriculum and prepare participants for challenges they are likely to face in the workplace.</p>					

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<sup>1</sup> hours per week

<b>Language:</b>
The language of the module is German or English.
<b>Teaching methods:</b>
Lectures, group work, case studies, self-study, student presentations.
<b>Module Applicability:</b>
B.Sc. Economics, B.Sc. Business Administration, B.A. Philosophy, Politics and Economics, B.Sc. Financial and Actuarial Mathematics
<b>Pre-requisites/Requirements:</b>
Admission to one of the following Bachelor programs: “Economics”, “Business Administration”, “Philosophy, Politics and Economics” or “Financial and Actuarial Mathematics”.
<b>Examination Types:</b>
According to § 6(2) and § 7(2) of the Examination Regulations for Bachelor programs in Economics or Business Administration, the examination represents a miscellaneous examination requirement. The requirements for the completion of the course are set by the lecturer (cf. § 7(2) of the Examination Regulations for Bachelor programs in Economics or Business Administration).
<b>Requirements for Award of Credit Points:</b>
The module is completed successfully, if the examination at the end of the module is passed with at least “sufficient” (4,0). The participation in the sessions of the course may be compulsory according to the preferences of the lecturer in charge. If you register for a project thesis, the rules of the corresponding optional compulsory course should be adhered to.
<b>Availability</b>
The module will be offered in every term.
<b>Assessment:</b>
This course will be graded and is part of the calculation of the overall grade for your Bachelor degree. Particular information concerning the calculation of the overall grade can be found in the respective examination regulations of your study program.
<b>Person responsible and main lecturer:</b>
Prof. Dr. Hans-Theo Normann
<b>Further information:</b>
Registration for the seminars occurs via the Student and Examination Administration. Information regarding the content and format of specific courses can be found at DICE.

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