

POLITICAL SCIENCE

COURSES

WINTER TERM 2025/2026



Trier University – Political Science

Course Information

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Course Information

Most courses are given in German. Courses taught in English are **marked accordingly**.

Last update: 01. July 2025. **The information in this document is preliminary and might be subject to change!**

How to find a course

In general, we offer an **ERASMUS Module** each winter semester that encompasses the most crucial issues on the Political System of the Federal Republic of Germany. The hours of the seminar may be subject to change, according to the number of participants.

Lectures (*2 hours weekly*) are offered on several topics. You can receive 5 ECTS if you pass an **oral or written exam**. Some lectures are combined with a **tutorial**.

Seminars in **Basic Modules** (*2 hours weekly*) are classes for beginners, e.g., for students in their first or second year. In order to obtain a grade, it is usually necessary to give a presentation and to write a seminar paper.

In **Seminars** of **Advanced Modules** or **Master Courses** (*4 hours weekly*), you can receive 10 ECTS. Usually, it is necessary to give a presentation and to write a seminar paper or pass an oral exam.

IMPORTANT: Attendance in seminars normally is compulsory. You will only be allowed to do the testing procedure, if you did not miss the class more than two or three times.

All courses are listed with the following information:

- Course type
- Title of the course
- Lecturer
- Time/date/room
- ECTS

Special testing conditions

Under consultation with the respective lecturer and dependent on the individual language level, it is possible to write seminar papers in English or take oral exams instead of written exams. Those special conditions must be agreed on with the lecturer.

Lectures will start on 13. October 2025 and will end on 14. February 2026

However, written examinations usually take place after this period. If you need an earlier examination, please reach out to your lecturer as soon as possible.

If you need help using the software, see the information on the following website:
<https://www.uni-trier.de/index.php?id=73243>

We know that this is a special situation for everyone and especially for students from abroad. If you need any help in general, please contact the International Office (exchangestud@uni-trier.de). If you need any help regarding the courses in the department of political sciences, please contact us (eraspols@uni-trier.de).

ERASMUS MODULE

ERASMUS-MODUL

Only available in winter semesters

Lecture

Introduction to the Political System of the Federal Republic of Germany

Prof. Dr. Uwe Jun

Tuesday, 10am - 12am; Room HS3

Tutorial

for ERASMUS-Students [attendance is compulsory]

Introduction to the Political System of the Federal Republic of Germany

Course organization and period are **still to be confirmed**.

This course will be taught in English!

10 ECTS (completed with an exam, oral or written)

BACHELOR COURSES

BASIC MODULES

BASISMODULE

POLITICAL THEORY AND HISTORY OF POLITICAL THOUGHTS

POLITISCHE THEORIE UND IDEENGESCHICHTE

Lecture

Modern Political Theory

Prof. Dr. Claudia Ritzi

Monday, 08am – 10am, room HS5

5 ECTS

Seminar

Classics of Political Thought

Prof. Dr. Markus Linden

Monday, 10am – 12am, room B21

or

Tuesday, 8am – 10am, room B21

5 ECTS

Seminar

Classics of Political Thought

Maximilian Strietholt

Tuesday, 04pm – 06pm, room P3

5 ECTS

Seminar

Classics of Political Thought

Prof. Dr. Claudia Ritzi

Wednesday, 12am – 02pm, room C1 (tbc)

5 ECTS

Seminar

Classics of Political Thought

Tim Scherer

Friday, 08am – 10am, room B14

5 ECTS

DEMOCRACY IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

DEMOKRATIE IN DER BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND

Lecture

Introduction to the Political System of the Federal Republic of Germany

Prof. Dr. Uwe Jun

Tuesday, 10am – 12am; Room HS3

10 ECTS only in combination with the **lecture** and the **ERASMUS-Tutorial**

Preparatory course

Not relevant to ERASMUS-students, as you are participating in the ERASMUS-tutorial listed above in the description of the ERASMUS Module.

Seminar

Democracy and Society in Germany (for B.Ed.)

Oliver Drewes

Thursday, 12am - 02pm; room A8

5 ECTS

Seminar

Democracy and Society in Germany (for B.Ed.)

Dr. Anna-Sophie Heinze

Monday, 12am – 2pm, room A8

5 ECTS

Seminar

Democracy and Society in Germany (for B.Ed.)

Dr. Anna-Sophie Heinze

Tuesday, 02pm – 4pm, room A8

5 ECTS

METHODS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

METHODEN DER POLITIKWISSENSCHAFT

Lecture

Introduction to Empirical Methods of Political Science

Dr. Lasse Cronqvist

Monday, 04 - 06 pm, room HS5

5 ECTS

Seminar

Statistical and Comparative Methods in Empirical Political Science

Dr. Lasse Cronqvist

Wednesday, 10am – 12am, room B21

5 ECTS

Seminar

Statistical and Comparative Methods in Empirical Political Science

Dr. Lasse Cronqvist

Wednesday, 12am – 02pm, room B21

5 ECTS

Tutorial

accommodating the Lecture as preparatory course

Lecturer to be announced

Tuesday, 12am – 1pm, room B22

or Tuesday, 01pm – 02pm, room B22

or Thursday, 02pm – 03pm, room B22

or Thursday, 03pm – 04pm, room B22

Courses for the Bachelor and Master of Education I

KURSE FÜR DEN BACHELOR UND MASTER OF EDUCATION I

Seminar

Introduction to Political Didactics

Steffen Barth

Wednesday, 08am – 10am; Room E10

or Thursday, 08am. 10am, room B17

Seminar

Living and Learning Democracy in Primary School

Mirjam Greve

Wednesday, 10am – 12am, room A142

or Friday, 08am – 10am, room A142

Seminar

Democracy Education in School

Lecturer tba

Monday, 02pm – 4pm, room A336

Seminar

Didactics of Social Sciences

Prof. Dr. Matthias Busch

Tuesday, 06pm – 8pm, room A12

Seminar

Innovative Learning in the Interdisciplinary Learning Centre

Mirjam Greve

Friday, 10am – 12am, room A6

Seminar

Teaching about War and Peace in Schools

Lecturer tba

Wednesday, 10am – 12am, room tbc

Courses for the Bachelor and Master of Education II

KURSE FÜR DEN BACHELOR UND MASTER OF EDUCATION II

Lecture

Political Science in Primary Schools

Lecturer tba

Wednesday, 12am – 2pm, room HS13

Seminar

Political Didactic

Lecturer tba

Tuesday, 10am – 12am, room tba

Seminar

Transformative Education for

Sustainable Development

Wednesday, 08am – 10am, room B14

Seminar

Historical Education for Primary

Schools

Samantha Airo

Thursday, 10am – 12am, room B16

or Thursday, 12am – 02pm, room B16

For ETCS-Information, please contact Steffen Barth (barths@uni-trier.de)

ADVANCED MODULES

AUFBAUMODULE

COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT VERGLEICHENDE REGIERUNGSLEHRE

Seminar

Topic to be announced

Prof. Dr. Dirk Schmitt

Tuesday, 12am – 2pm, room A7

Thursday, 12am – 2pm, room A7

10 ECTS

Seminar

Topic to be announced

Prof. Dr. Dirk Schmidt (tbc)

Wednesday, 12am – 2pm, room N4

Friday, 12am – 2pm, room B22

10 ECTS

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/ FOREIGN POLICY INTERNATIONALE BEZIEHUNGEN/ AUßENPOLITIK

Seminar

Topic to be announced

Dr. Sascha Werthes

Thursday, 10am – 2pm, room P3

10 ECTS

Seminar

Topic to be announced

Prof. Dr. Manuel Fröhlich

Tuesday, 02pm – 4pm, room P3

Friday, 08am – 10 am, room P3

10 ECTS

Simulation Seminar

EU Decision-Making: EuroSIM

Prof. Dr. Joachim Schild & Dr. Moritz Liebe

Monday, 12am – 02pm, room P12

Wednesday, 12am – 02pm, room P12

10 ECTS

Both courses will be taught in English!

Simulation Seminar

Model United Nations: TriMUN

Lecturers and Dates to be announced

Application Deadline: **17.08.2025**

10 ECTS

POLITICAL THEORY AND HISTORY OF POLITICAL THOUGHTS

POLITISCHE THEORIE UND IDEENGESCHICHTE

Seminar

Topic to be announced

Prof. Dr. Markus Linden

Monday, 8am – 10am; Room B21

Thursday, 8am – 10am; Room B21

10 ECTS

MASTER COURSES

POLITICAL SYSTEMS

POLITISCHE SYSTEME

Seminar

AI Policy: International Comparison of State Funding and Regulation of Artificial Intelligence

Prof. Dr. Sebastian Heilmann

Monday, 4pm – 6pm, room A11

Thursday, 12am – 2pm, room P2

10 ECTS

Seminar

Topic to be announced

Prof. Dr. Dirk Schmidt

Tuesday, 2pm – 4pm, room A7

Thursday, 2pm – 4pm, room A142

10 ECTS

RESEARCH DESIGN POLITICAL SCIENCE

FORSCHUNGSDESIGN POLITIKWISSENSCHAFT

Seminar

Research Design

Dr. Lasse Cronqvist

Thursday, (05.03.2026), 09am – 12:30am, room C2

Tuesday (24.03.2026), 09am – 12:30am, room C2

Wednesday (25.03.2026), 09am – 04:30pm, room C2

5 ECTS

Seminar

Scientific Theoretical Foundations

Lecturer to be announced

Monday, 02pm – 04pm, room A7

5 ECTS

Exercise, accommodating the Seminar

Methods of Democratic Politics and Communication

Dr. Anna-Sophie Heinze

Monday, 02pm – 04:30pm, room A7

or

Dr. Lasse Cronqvist

Wednesday (04.03.2026), 09am – 04:30pm, room C2 &

Thursday (05.03.2026), 01pm – 04:30pm, room C2 &

Tuesday (24.03.2026), 01pm – 04:30pm, room C2

5 ECTS

POLITICAL THEORY AND HISTORY OF THOUGHT

POLITISCHE THEORIE UND IDEENGESCHICHTE

Seminar

Topic to be announced

Prof. Dr. Markus Linden

Monday, 8am – 10am; Room B21

Thursday, 8am – 10am; Room B21

10 ECTS

Seminar

European Public Policies

Dr. Moritz Liebe

Tuesday, 10am – 12am, room P13

Thursday, 10am – 12am, room tba

10 ECTS

This course will be taught in English!

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS/ FOREIGN POLICY

INTERNATIONALE BEZIEHUNGEN/ AUSSENPOLITIK

Seminar

International Relations and Diplomacy I (Introduction)

Dr. Sascha Werthes

Friday, 10am – 12am, room P3

5 ECTS

Seminar

International Relations and Diplomacy II (Research Design)

Lecturers and Dates to be announced

5 ECTS

Seminar

International Politics I (Theories and Practices of Diplomacy)

Prof. Dr. Manuel Fröhlich

Monday, 02pm – 6pm, room P12

Thursday, 02pm – 06pm, room P3

10 ECTS

POLITICAL PARTICIPATION/ POLITICAL COMMUNICATION

POLITISCHE PARTIZIPATION/ POLITISCHE KOMMUNIKATION

Seminar

Main Features of Political Participation

Prof. Dr. Claudia Ritzi

Monday, 12pm – 02pm, room A142

Wednesday, 10am – 12am, room tba

10 ECTS

Seminar

Main Features of Political Communication

Prof. Dr. Uwe Jun

Tuesday, 4pm - 6pm, room B16

Wednesday, 12am – 2pm, room B16

10 ECTS

Seminar

Scientific Theoretical Foundations

Lecturer to be announced

Monday, 02pm – 04pm, room A7

5 ECTS

EUROPEAN / EAST ASIAN POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE

Seminar

European Politics and Governance

Prof. Dr. Joachim Schild

Tuesday, 02pm – 04pm, room P1

Thursday, 02pm – 04pm; Room P2 tbc

10 ECTS

This course will be taught in English!

Seminar

Research Techniques and Methods

Dr. Moritz Liebe

Monday 10am – 12am, room B14

Friday 10am – 12am, room A142

10 ECTS

This course will be taught in English!

Seminar

East Asian Politics and Governance

Prof. Dr. Sebastian Heilmann

Monday, 2pm – 4pm, room A142

Thursday, 10am – 12am, room A7

10 ECTS

This course will be taught in English!

Seminar

Europe and East Asia in Global Governance

Prof. Dr. Joachim Schild

Monday, 02pm – 04pm, room A11

Prof. Dr. Dirk Schmidt

Wednesday, 02pm – 04p, room tba

10 ECTS

This course will be taught in English!

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