

Module description: “Research Module I” (Version: 17 February 2010)							
<p><b>Contents and objectives:</b> This module runs through the first and second semesters of the MA curriculum. Students will pursue independent studies on one or several subjects of their choice, thus specialising in areas of interest that may/will lead to their Master theses.</p> <p>A forum (in class and potentially also online) will be open for the presentation and discussion of students’ results. Advice and supervision will be provided.</p> <p><b>On completion of this module, participants will have:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ gained advanced research skills, including scholarly information retrieval skills.</li> <li>✓ gained the ability to organise substantial quantities of complex information.</li> <li>✓ gained experience in collaborative intellectual work.</li> <li>✓ gained experience in planning and undertaking empirical work.</li> </ul>							
1st–2 <sup>nd</sup> semester of the Master course							
<b>Status:</b> compulsory							
<b>Entry requirements:</b> none							
<b>Offered:</b> continuously							
<b>Alternative course choices within the module:</b> none							
<b>Module coordinator:</b> Prof. Dr. Maria Diedrich							
<b>Weighting of module grade in calculation of final grade: 2.5%</b>							
Course type	Participation	SWS (class hours per teaching week)	LP (credit points)	Semes- ter	Assign- ments	Of which relevant for grade	Entry requirements
Postgraduate class	Regular at- tendance & active partici- pation	4 (2 per semes- ter)	5 (of which: S1: 1 LP, S2: 4 LP)	1–2	1 presenta- tion (2 <sup>nd</sup> semes- ter)	yes	
Independent study		0	6 (of which: S1: 2 LP, S2: 4 LP)	1–2	1 academic essay	yes	
The module grade is the average value of the grades obtained for the two assignments.							
<b>Total</b>			<b>11</b>				