

Module 4	Methods of Empirical Social Research				
	<i>Methoden empirischer Sozialforschung</i>				
	Module type		Required		
	Module ID number		107500400		
	Credit points (LP)		5 LP		
	Semester hours per week (SWS)		4 SWS		
	Semester	1st semester	Workload (total)		150 h
	Term	Fall semester	of which	Classroom hours	60 h
	Duration	One semester		Self-study	90 h
Qualification objective		<p>This module addresses the fundamentals of empirical social research. It covers the following topics, among others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Characteristics and goals of empirical social research - Theoretical foundations of science - Concept specification, operationalization and measurement - Research designs - Selection process - Data collection 			
Expertise		<p>After completing this module, students are familiar with the various stages of the research process and the basic principles of theory-based empirical social research. They can formulate research hypotheses will know about the problems of concept specification, operationalization, and measurement. Furthermore, students can identify the strengths and weaknesses of various research designs as well as the central features of several different selection procedures.</p>			
Methodological competence		<p>In addition to the skills noted above, students acquire basic skills needed to understand empirical social research and conduct empirical social research. They can identify the characteristics of good, reliable research, and can interpret and critically reflect on scholarly scientific findings.</p>			
Social and interpersonal skills		<p>Upon completion of the module, students will be aware of the broader social responsibilities of empirical social research in its role as a producer of data and knowledge and the ethical implications of empirical research.</p>			
Course and study formats		Lecture, exercises			
Module coordinator		N.N. (Professor for Empirical Social Research)			
Prerequisites		None			
Language of instruction		German			
Applicable degree program		B.A. Social Sciences: Social and Political Change			

M4: Sub-module 1	Methods of Empirical Social Research			
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	Sub-module ID number	107500401	Course type	Lecture
	SWS	2 SWS	Workload (sub-module)	30 h
	Type of sub-module	Required	of which	Classroom hours
Planned group size	40	Self-study		-
M4: Sub-module 1	Methods of Empirical Social Research (Tutorial)			
	<i>Methoden empirischer Sozialforschung (Übung)</i>			
	Sub-module ID number	107500402	Course type	Exercise
	SWS	2 SWS	Workload (sub-module)	60 h
	Type of sub-module	Required	of which	Classroom hours
Planned group size	20	Self-study		30 h
M4: Module-examination	Module Exam			
	<i>Modulprüfung</i>			
	Test number	107500405	Scope of the exam	90 min
	Examination format	Written exam	Exam preparation and examination time	60 h
	Graded exam?	Yes		
Comments on the module examination	-			
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