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CDSS Workshop

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Time Wednesday, 12:00 – 13:30 h

Place D 7, 307 (Political Science) B 6, A 1.02 (Sociology)

<u>Description:</u> The goal of this course is to provide support and crucial feedback for second and third year students on their ongoing dissertation project. In this workshop students are expected to play two roles. They should present their own work in order to receive feedback.

Each student is expected to give a progress report of where he or she stands right now. The format will be flexible to fit the specific needs of each student's project. I therefore will not assign formal discussants. You may present parts of your ongoing research, motivate questions about theory, concepts, measures, data, methods or research design. You may also bring in any other challenges you currently face with your dissertation research or try out potential framing strategies for a journal submission. Given that we have 20 sociology and political science students we agreed to organize separate meetings.

I suggest at least a short presentation (5-10 min) to facilitate each participant with a minimum of context about your work so that we can easily relate to the questions you might have for us later on and to help us providing you with additional feedback. Do not expect us to be specialists for your dissertation work. You may email us some additional material (at least a week in advance) if you think that this would help us provide feedback. As a general rule: Present as long as you need in order to help us understand the issues at stake in each week. Keep in mind that we also need some time to address all the issues you raise or other issues that potentially arise in the context of our discussion. My guess would be that short presentations (<10 min) as well as long presentation (>45 min) are less effective in provoking feedback from us.

Moreover, be prepared to provide a quick summary about what you have done so far towards your dissertation, what you have to do next and what is missing towards the defense of your dissertation.

Political Scientists:

14 October Christian Arnold w/supervisor Berthold Rittberger

28 October Patrick Bayer

4 November Sebastian Köhler

11 November Bettina Trüb w/supervisor Berthold Rittberger

18 November Tanja Dannwolf

25 November Gema Garcia Albacete w/supervisor Jan van Deth

2 December Thomas Meyer

9 December Heike Klüver w/supervisor Berthold Rittberger

Sociologists:

7 October Jörg Neugschwender

14 October Nadine Reibling

21 October Thomas Biegert

28 October Valeria Bordone w/supervisor Karsten Hank

4 November Oshrat Hochman w/supervisor Hartmut Esser

11 November Markus Klein

18 November Katherin Barg

25 November Michael Kühhirt

2 December Michael Ortiz w/supervisor Bernhard Ebbinghaus

9 December Volker Ludwig w/supervisor Josef Brüderl

Kathrin Wohn w/supervisor Peter Mohler

16 December Stephan Alexander Rompf