

Current Research Perspectives

Fall 2020

Time Several one-day workshops

Place Online (Link will be provided)

Description: The course "*Current Research Perspectives*" introduces first year CDSS doctoral students to the theoretically informed research approaches and substantive research fields that build the stronghold of social science research in Mannheim. A series of talks provide first year CDSS doctoral students with an overview of current scholarly debates and ongoing research in the fields of political science, psychology, and sociology. CDSS faculty members will present an outline of their research fields, report on prime examples of their current research, and provide an outlook on potential topics for future research. Doctoral students will have the opportunity to discuss the short talks with the respective lecturer during the remaining discussion time.

Monday, September 21 **10:15—13:30**

Monday, September 28 **10:15—13:30**

Monday, October 5 **10:15—13:30**

Monday, October 12 **10:15—13:30**

Assignment: Come-up with a research project idea that is informed theoretically or methodologically by insights from one or several CDSS faculty presentations (outside of your particular field) in this class. Write-up your idea and describe a potential research design in a short 3-page paper. The paper is due October 31st.