

# 2025/26

## Manual for Tübingen Students in Tübingen



### Welcome to Tübingen!

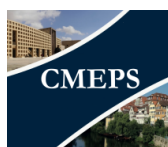
We are happy to welcome you at the University of Tübingen as a student of the CMEPS Joint Master's Program. During the next two years, we are going to assist you to the best of our capabilities in pursuing your studies within CMEPS.

At that, this reader will be the manual for your study. We have thoroughly collected all information on important contacts and institutions, the coursework and –structure of CMEPS, your professional training, and finally your Master Thesis.

To be best prepared, please read the following pages before you even take your first course within CMEPS, and in any case please consider this reader your first go-to address whenever you encounter questions or obscurities during your studies. You will probably find the answer to many of the questions that possibly arise during your time at the University of Tübingen within the pages of this reader.

Furthermore, please feel encouraged to contact us whenever you encounter problems or questions that require coordination with CMEPS staff. These range from program-specific course advisory to financial aid, as well as broader university resources such as the writing center, career support services, and disability services. On that note, please bear in mind that the information given within this reader naturally is of a more general nature, and therefore you should always give priority to information you received from someone from the CMEPS staff in case of contradictions. In case of doubt, please consult with the CMEPS program director.

We wish you success during your time with CMEPS and look forward to supporting you in your academic and practical education.



## CMEPS STUDENT MANUAL

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## 1. GETTING STARTED

### *1.1 Timetable*

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#### **1st Term:**

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##### **September**

Make sure to register for the CMEPS Master's Degree program in time so that you receive the access data to register for your courses. In Tübingen, please get in touch with the course advisor Dr. Mirjam Edel for the CMEPS Master to see what courses you can and have to take.

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##### **October**

Register bindingly on ALMA for your courses before 11 October.

Register for the excursion in November.

Take the "Foundations of Political Science" course with Prof. Dr. Oliver Schlumberger: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> as well as 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> of October, in presence in Tübingen

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##### **November**

Excursion to Brussels and Bonn (see 3.3).

Information on costs: 200-250 €.

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##### **January**

Complete the online registration as graduate exchange student at AUC until February 1.

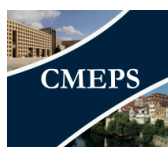
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##### **February**

Check if you have special visa regulations (depending on your nationality). Make sure to have a valid passport for your time in Egypt – if necessary, apply for a new one in time!

Send a scanned version of your valid passport to Ms. Stephanie Wagner ([mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de)). This is necessary to proceed the letters of invitation that you will need to get a Visa.

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## 2nd Term:

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### April

Get the bureaucratic part for Cairo settled (transcript, medical report, etc.). You can generate your transcript on ALMA.

Depending on your nationality, you will need to apply for an Egyptian visa.

The nearest consulate general is Frankfurt. You should apply 2-3 months in advance.

Arrange your flights to Egypt to get rather cheap flights.

Check out the mandatory AUC insurance and decide whether the coverage is enough for you, or if you would like any additional insurance services from your insurance provider.

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### June/July

Follow the AUC guidelines concerning registration, enrollment and housing. If you do not want to live on Campus, you must arrange for private housing in time.

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## 3rd Term:

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### August

Make sure to arrive in Cairo around 20-25 of August (be aware of possible public holidays (EID)) for the International Student Orientation at AUC at the end of August.

Get in touch with AUC's CMEPS program director and the International Programs Office (IPSO) to finalize your course selection and registration. Get registered for them.

Get practical things settled in Cairo (SIM Card, Bus Ticket, etc.).

Start your classes.

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### September

Meeting on Thesis Proposals. Make sure to start working on your thesis proposal early on.

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### October

Register for CMEPS Colloquium.

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## November

Prepare the exposé of your planned thesis (see 4.1).

Find supervisors for your thesis (AUC and Tübingen).

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## December

Hand in your exposé for the January Colloquium until December 15<sup>th</sup> by uploading it in the designated folder on ILIAS. There you can also find your classmate's proposals.

Make sure to also read the exposés of your classmates to be able to give them helpful feedback – they will do the same for you.

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## January

CMEPS Colloquium at the Tübingen castle, beginning/ mid-January 2026

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## 4th Term:

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Officially get registered for the exam (see 4.3).

Write and hand in your thesis.

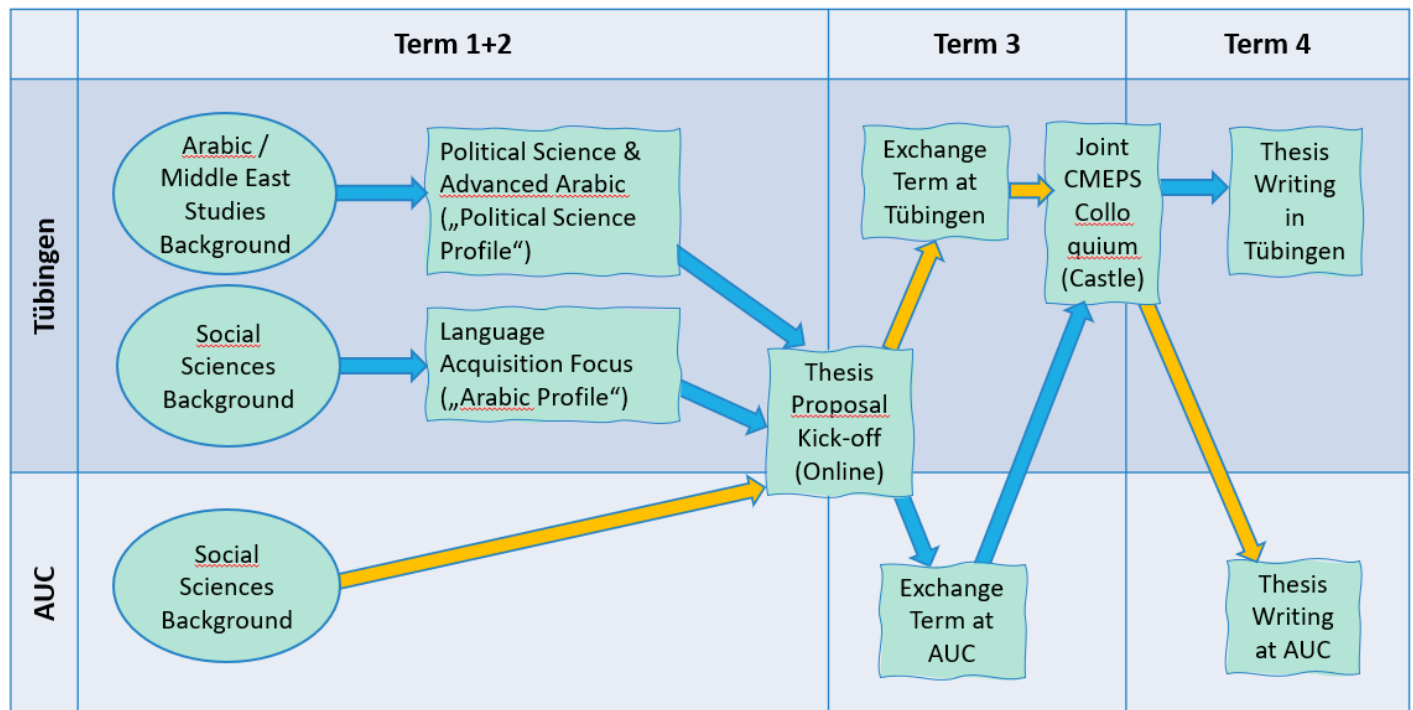
Coordinate the oral defense of your MA thesis (time, contents, etc.) with your two supervisors.

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If you have a **background in Political Science**, you take the Arabic profile. If you have a **background in Middle Eastern Studies** including at least intermediate Arabic language skills, you take the Political Science Profile.

If you have a substantial **background in both Political Science and Arabic** (i.e., a degree in political science with an Arabic minor, or vice versa) you usually take the Political Science profile. You can opt to take 12 ECTS in Arabic. In case you have already acquired profound knowledge on the basics of comparative politics during your B.A. studies, you might – only upon consultation with Mr. Sirikupt – replace some standard courses of Module 5 with other political science courses.



## 1.2 Module Overview

	Year 1		Year 2		
	Winter-/Fall Term 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	Spring-/Summer Term 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	Winter/Fall 3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester	Spring Term 4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	
Obligatory	<b>(M1) Foundations of Political Science</b> S: Foundations of Political Science (6)		<b>(M4) Issues in CMEPS III – Development</b> S: Development Politics and International Cooperation (9)	M.A. Thesis (21)	
	<b>(M2) Issues in CMEPS I – The Modern Middle East</b> S: Middle East Politics and Societies (4)      S: Comparative Politics of the Middle East (4+4)			Oral Examination (3)	
	<b>(M3) Issues in CMEPS II – Political Changes and Challenges</b> S: Regime Change and Democratization (4)      Special Issues in Middle East Politics, e.g. S: Political Economy of the Middle East S: International Relations of the Middle East (4+4)				
Alternate Modules (depending on first degree held by student)	Political Science Profile I	<b>(M5a) Concepts, Theories and Methods of Comparative Politics A</b> L: Theories and Methods in Comparative Politics (4)      S: Concepts and Theories of Political Rule (4+4)			
		<b>(M6b) Language Acquisition Advanced Learners B</b> T: Conversation (3)      T: Reading (3) T: Arabic Elective (3)      T: Arabic Elective (3)			
	Political Science Profile II	<b>(M5a) Concepts, Theories and Methods of Comparative Politics B</b> L: Theories and Methods in Comparative Politics (4)      S: Concepts and Theories of Political Rule (4+4)			
		S: Issues in Comparative Politics (6) <b>(M6a) Language Acquisition Advanced Learners A</b> T: Conversation (3) T: Reading (3)			
	Arabic Profile	<b>(M7) Language Acquisition I</b> S: Modern Standard Arabic I (8) Ü: Modern Standard Arabic I (4)			<b>(M8) Language Acquisition II</b> S: Modern Standard Arabic II (8) Ü: Modern Standard Arabic II (4)
Mandatory Elective	<b>(M10) Professional Specialization</b> Ex + T: Excursion + Preparation Tutorial (2) S: Elective in Politics OR Modern Middle East OR Methods (4)		<b>(M9) Language Acquisition III (9)</b>		
			<b>(M12) Specializations in Politics and Society (9)</b>		
	<b>(M11) Practical Experience</b> Internship OR S: Transdisciplinary Qualifications (6)		Colloquium (3)		



### *1.3 Relevant Institutions at Tübingen University*

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**Institute of Political Science (IfP):**

Melanchthonstraße 36  
D-72074 Tübingen  
URL: <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/725>

**Library of the Institute of Political Science:**

Melanchthonstraße 36  
Opening hours: <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/2476>

**University Library (Universitätsbibliothek):**

Wilhelmstraße 32  
D-72074 Tübingen  
URL: <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/457>

**Student Administration Office (Studierendensekretariat):**

Wilhelmstraße 19  
D-72074 Tübingen  
T: +49 70 71 29 7 44 44  
URL: <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/596>

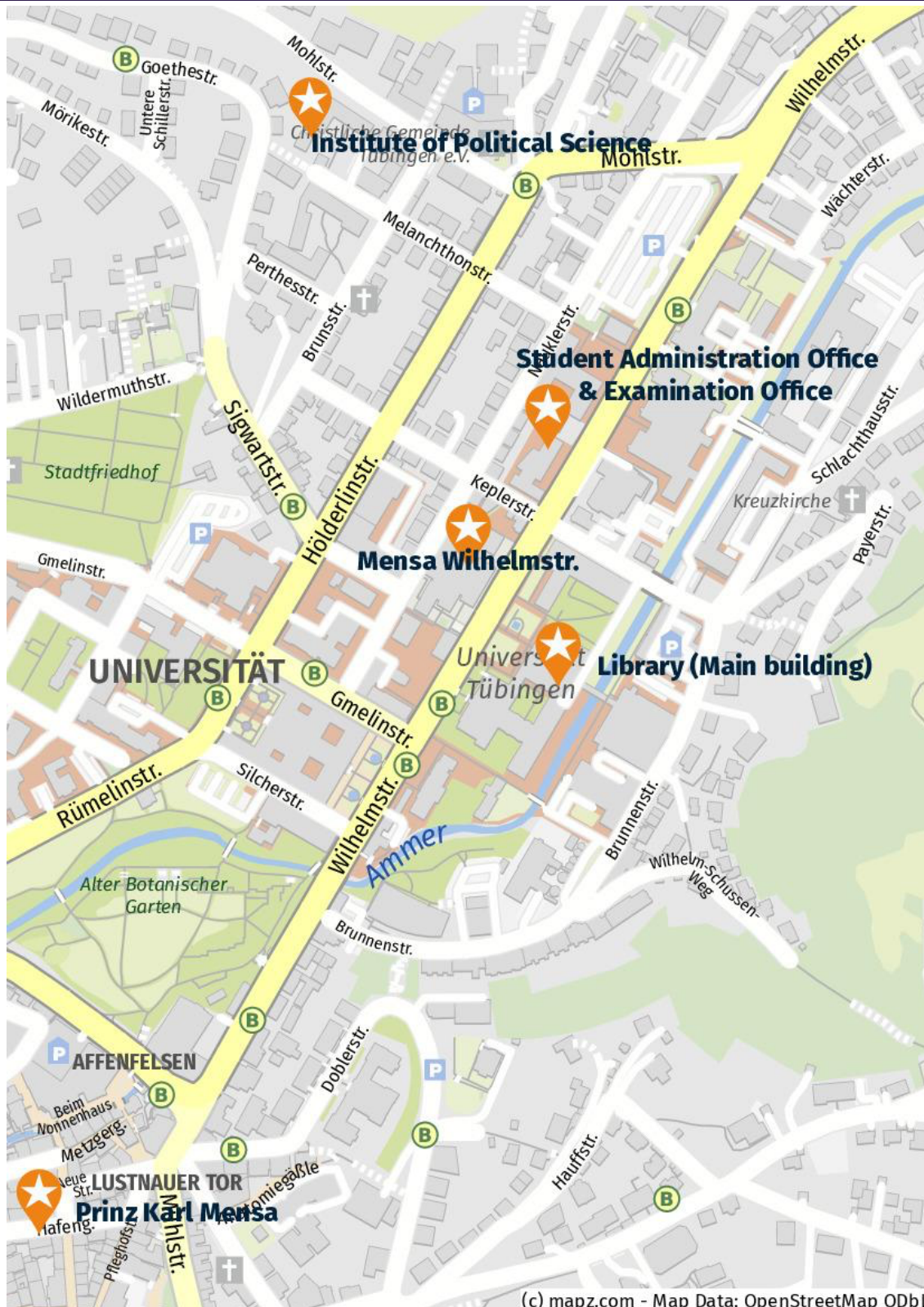
**Examination Office of our Faculty (Prüfungsamt):**

Zentrales Prüfungsamt, Sachgebiet Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät  
Wilhelmstraße 19  
Room 2.03  
D-72074 Tübingen  
T: +49 70 71 29-78216  
[pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)  
URL: <https://uni-tuebingen.de/einrichtungen/verwaltung/iv-studierende/zentrales-pruefungsamt/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-faecher-und-theologien/>

**Division IV, Section 1 - Advising and Admission of International Students**

Wilhelmstraße 19  
D-72074 Tübingen  
+49 7071 29 76847  
[study.master@uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:study.master@uni-tuebingen.de)

## 1.4 Map of Tübingen: Relevant Institutions of the University





## 1.5 Public Transportation

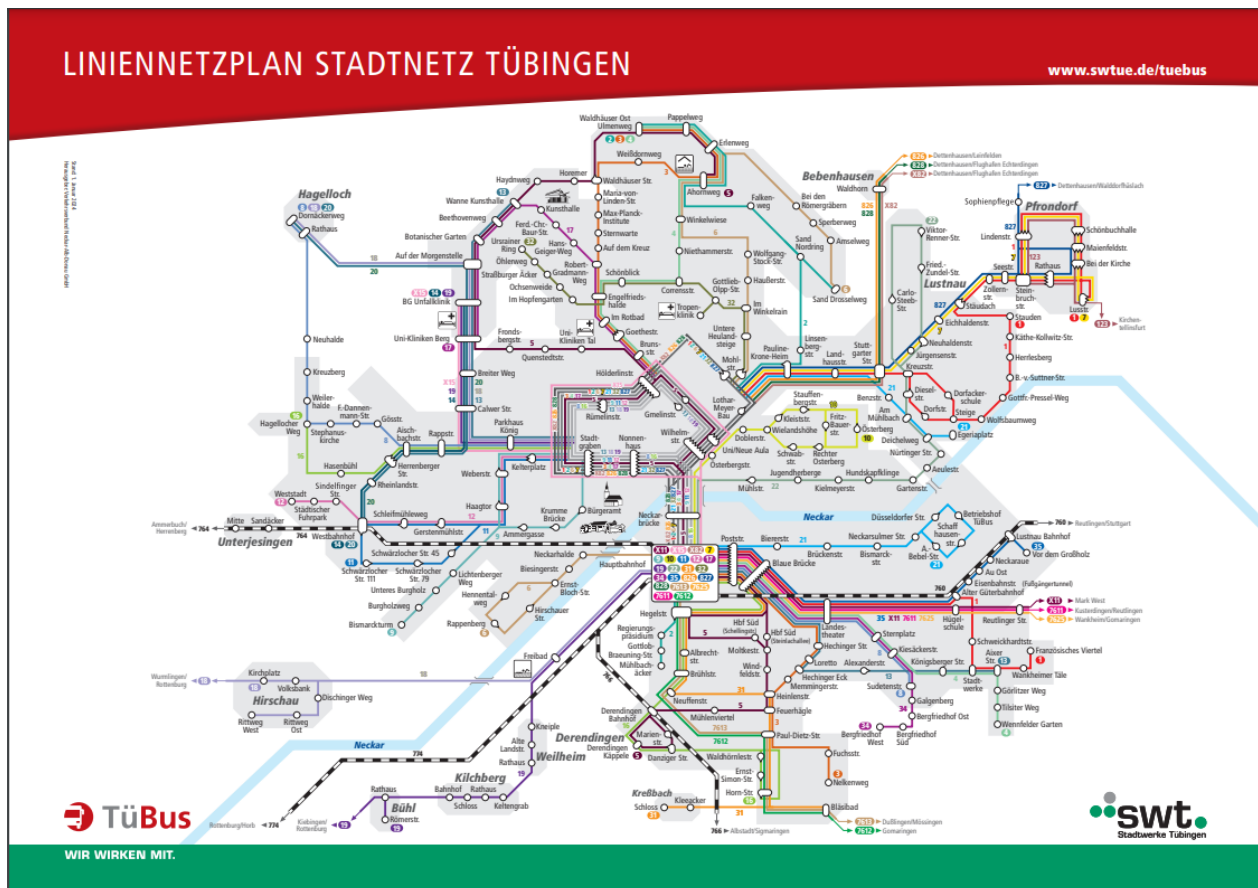
You can find information on public transportation in Tübingen on the following pages:

<https://www.swtue.de/oepnv/fahrplan-und-liniennetz/liniennetz.html>

<https://www.tuebus.de/fahrplan-und-liniennetz/linien.html>

Be aware that you can take all regional trains in Germany with the Deutschlandticket (<https://www.bahn.de/angebot/regio/deutschland-ticket>) for 49€ a month, upon registration in Tübingen you can get the Deutschlandticket for 45€ a month (<https://www.naldo.de/tickets/deutschlandticket-tuebingen/>)

If you are under the age of 27, you can also buy the Deutschlandticket JugendBW for 236,52€ for one semester. With it you can take all take all regional trains and busses in Baden Württemberg (<https://www.naldo.de/tickets/dticket-jugendbw-studierende/>)





## 1.6 Important Contacts and Resources

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Dr. Mirjam Edel, CMEPS Program Director

for Winter Term 2025/2026 (until March 31, 2026): Dr. des. Chonlawit Sirikupt

- ➔ For all **CMEPS program-related questions**.
- ➔ Please note that Mr. **Sirikupt** is your **FIRST contact** for program-related issues. In case Professor Schlumberger needs to be consulted, the CMEPS program coordinator will do so.

**Contacts:**

Melanchthonstr. 36  
D-72074 Tübingen – GERMANY  
Room 009  
T: +49 7071 29-78367  
E: [chonlawit.sirikupt@uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:chonlawit.sirikupt@uni-tuebingen.de)

**CMEPS Student Assistants**

- ➔ In most cases, our student assistants will be able to help you.

**Contacts:**

[cmepps-assistant@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:cmepps-assistant@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de)

**Stephanie Wagner, CMEPS administrative coordinator & Chair Administration**

- ➔ For all **administrative questions** on appointments with Prof. Schlumberger, etc.
- ➔ Please note that Ms. Wagner is your **FIRST contact** for administrative issues. In case Professor Schlumberger needs to be consulted, the administration will do so.

**Contacts:**

Institute of Political Science  
Melanchthonstr. 36  
D-72074 Tübingen – GERMANY  
Room 110  
T: +49 7071 29-78372  
E: [mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de)

**CMEPS Information on the ILIAS learning platform**

- ➔ Important information and templates are available in the CMEPS Documents for Students folder on ILIAS.
- ➔ You find the folder under  
Repository → Sonstige → Semesterübergreifende Lehrveranstaltungen → 6 Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät → Political Science → CMEPS Winter semester 2024-25 → 6 Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences → Political science → Comparative and Middle East Politics and Society.

The password to enter is: JointCMEPS

Contents include official documents (e.g. the latest versions of the Module Handbook and the Study and Exam Regulations) internship and alumni databases, a statement of authorship (Anti-Plagiatserklärung, to be attached to all written assignments) as well as the latest version of this student manual.

If you are missing any relevant information, please email the CMEPS Student Assistant and let us know!





## 1.7 CMEPS Website and Community

- CMEPS Website: [www.cmeps.net](http://www.cmeps.net)
- CMEPS on Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/joint\\_ma\\_cmeps/](https://www.instagram.com/joint_ma_cmeps/)
- CMEPS on LinkedIn: <https://linkedin.com/company/joint-ma-cmeps>
- CMEPS on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MA.CMEPS>
- CMEPS Trailer on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PtNzYAAu-HfU>

### REGISTER HERE:

<https://listserv.uni-tuebingen.de/mailman/listinfo/ifp-list>

Subscribing is **strongly recommended!**



## Stay in touch with the CMEPS Community

Most CMEPS students and Alumni have a strong sense of identification with the CMEPS Master's degree and its current and former students. Our community has grown over the last decade thus we have established new avenues for networking and mentoring between students and Alumni. Just make use of it and let us know if you have further ideas!

- CMEPS Student-Alumni Network on LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12987782/>
- CMEPS Mailing list: <https://listserv.uni-tuebingen.de/mailman/listinfo/cmeps-network>
  - Subscribing is **strongly recommended!**

## 1.8 Mailing List of the Institute of Political Science (IfP)

Regular emails on events, lectures, talks, student organizations, job offers, calls for papers, and other activities in our institute: <https://uni-tuebingen.de/fakultaeten/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-fakultaet/faecher/fachbereich-sozialwissenschaften/ifp/institut/mitteilungen/weitere-informationskanale/maillinglisten/>



## *1.9 Relevant Student Groups*

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Student Council (Fachschaft Politik): <https://fs-politik.de/en/homepage/> The Fachschaft will be happy to inform you about various ways to get involved in student life in Tübingen.

ASTa (Allgemeiner Studierenden-Ausschuss): <http://www.asta.uni-tuebingen.de/aktuell/>

Check out the student groups active at our university and get engaged in the vivid environment Tübingen has to offer!

<https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/study/student-life/get-involved/groups-and-initiatives/>

NMUN (National Model United Nations): <https://nmun-tuebingen.de/>

Young Europeans Tübingen (JEF Tübingen): <https://www.jef-bw.de/tuebingen/>

United Nations Hochschulgruppe Tübingen: <https://www.facebook.com/UNHochschulgruppeTuebingen/?fref=ts>

Hochschulgruppe Sicherheitspolitik: <https://tuebingen.sicherheitspolitik.de/aktuelles>

## *1.10 Evaluation Roundtables*

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The CMEPS team in Tübingen organizes evaluation roundtables (usually once a term) where students may raise points of criticism (regarding teaching, organization, communication, etc.) and make suggestions for improvement of the CMEPS program!



## 2. ORGANIZATION OF YOUR STUDIES IN TÜBINGEN

### 2.1 Interesting Courses

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Click this link: [https://alma.uni-tuebingen.de/alma/pages/cm/exa/coursecatalog/showCourseCatalog.xhtml?\\_flowId=showCourseCatalog-flow&\\_flowExecutionKey=e1s1&noDBAction=y&init=y](https://alma.uni-tuebingen.de/alma/pages/cm/exa/coursecatalog/showCourseCatalog.xhtml?_flowId=showCourseCatalog-flow&_flowExecutionKey=e1s1&noDBAction=y&init=y)

and follow the path:

6 Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät → Politikwissenschaft → Gesamtverzeichnis Lehrveranstaltungen Politikwissenschaft to get an overview of all courses offered by the institute,

or Politikwissenschaft → Comparative and Middle East Politics and Society to see your modules with the respective courses.

**FFMO: Colloquium Comparative and Middle East (only Summer Term) – STRONGLY RECOMMENDED!**

The FFMO is a colloquium for advanced students, candidates for degrees, and PhD students. Our topics are taken primarily from Comparative Politics. More specifically, we usually deal with Comparative Politics beyond the traditional industrialized member countries of the OECD world which form the vast majority of the countries in the world. Special emphasis is placed on the MENA region (Middle East and North Africa) so that the majority of sessions per term is usually devoted to studies that are related to this area.

We primarily discuss work in progress which ranges from M.A. to PhD projects and studies prepared for publication. This program is complemented by thematically focused sessions on select readings related to pertinent current topics, methodological questions, and at times external guest lectures. The syllabus is usually set up in the first session of the term. You need to register for the course via ILIAS (see 2.6.)

### 2.2 Relevant University Services

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- **Career Service**
  - <http://www.career-service.uni-tuebingen.de/>
  - The career service offers a range of practical courses in the frame of “Studium Professionale”. The staff also offers training and coaching for job application processes and provides contacts to some companies helping students with internship and job applications.



- Research and Writing Center
  - <https://uni-tuebingen.de/fakultaeten/philosophische-fakultaet/fachbereiche/neuphilologie/englisches-seminar/sections/academic-english/research-and-writing-center/>
  - The Research and Writing Center offers peer-to-peer writing services based a student-centered approach to research writing.
  - They offer a 45-minute, one-to-one session (in person or online) in which tutors will assist students with their writing assignments such as finding sources, identifying grammar mistakes, and recommending structural adjustments.
- University Library Tour
  - <http://www.ub.uni-tuebingen.de/home.html>
  - The library offers tours and introductory sessions at the beginning of the Winter Term. You'll find information at the info desk of the library and on the website.
  - The link to the central online catalog in which you can search for literature:
- Research Tutorials in Political Science
 

The Institute for Political Science also put together interesting search engines and databases you might consider for your research: <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/faculties/faculty-of-economics-and-social-sciences/subjects/departement-of-social-sciences/political-science/library/search/starting-points-for-search/> )

  - **An overview of search catalogues:**

Meta catalogue: Karlsruher Virtueller Katalog (KVK): <http://www.ubka.uni-karlsruhe.de/kvk.html>

Meta catalogue: ZACK!: <http://opus.tu-bs.de/zack/>

WorldCat: <http://www.worldcat.org/advancedsearch>

Advanced Catalogue: dandelon: <http://www.dandelon.com/intelligentSEARCH.nsf/fmQSF?OpenForm>
  - **Search for book contents:**

Google Books: <http://books.google.com/>

Libreka: <https://www.buchhandel.de/>
  - **Search for journals:**

Elektronische Zeitschriftenbibliothek EZB: <http://ezb.uni-regensburg.de/>

Zeitschriftendatenbank ZDB: <http://dispatch.opac.dnb.de/DB=1.1/>

Directory of Open Access Journals DOAJ: <http://doaj.org/>
  - **Databases:**

dbis: <http://rzblx10.uni-regensburg.de/dbinfo/fachliste.php?lett=>

jstor: <http://www.jstor.org/action/showAdvancedSearch>

Menalib: <http://www.menalib.de/>

IREON-Portal: [https://www.ireon-portal.de/IREON/Portal/ireon\\_de.aspx?lang=de-DE](https://www.ireon-portal.de/IREON/Portal/ireon_de.aspx?lang=de-DE)

Sowiport: <http://sowiport.gesis.org/>

ViFaPol: <http://www.vifapol.de/>

IngentaConnect : <http://www.ingentaconnect.com/>





Metapress: <http://www.metapress.com/home/main.mpx>

Online-Contents (OLC): <http://www.gbv.de/gsomenu/?id=home>

Virtuelle Fachbibliothek Politikwissenschaft ViFaPol: <http://www.vifapol.de/>

Library Press Display: [http://rzblx10.uni-regensburg.de/dbinfo/de-tail.php?bib\\_id=ubtue&colors=&ocolors=&lett=fs&tid=0&titel\\_id=7782](http://rzblx10.uni-regensburg.de/dbinfo/de-tail.php?bib_id=ubtue&colors=&ocolors=&lett=fs&tid=0&titel_id=7782)

- **Search engines:**

Meta search: Etools: <http://www.etoools.ch/>

Meta search Info.com: <http://info.com/>

Google Scholar: <http://scholar.google.de/>

Google News: <http://scholar.google.de/>

Bielefeld Academic Search: <http://www.base-search.net/index.php?l=en>

## 2.3 How to work with ILIAS and ALMA

On ALMA, you can **sign up for courses and exams** and access your administrative tools such as printing out transcripts of records, and certificates, paying your administrative fee, etc.

ILIAS is the platform on which courses are conducted. You can download most mandatory readings, submit possible reading tasks, access zoom-meetings and YouTube videos, etc.

### ALMA:

On ALMA, you need to register for your courses each semester.

1. <https://alma.uni-tuebingen.de/alma/pages/cs/sys/portal/hisinoneStartPage.faces>
  - Log in with your university ID
  - The sections relevant for you are 'My Studies' and 'Studies offered'.
2. 'My Studies' contains your administrative options.

#### My Studies

[Planner of Studies with module plan](#)

Remark modules, enroll lectures and sign in for examinations

[Schedule](#)

See events and examinations in your personal schedule

[Show my enrollments](#)

Get an overview of your examinations and courses

[My achievements](#)

Get an overview of your achievements, i.e. examinations or visited lectures

[Register for electives](#)

Registration of electives

[Student Service](#)

Get an overview of your status, contact details, invoices and payments.

### Create reports, reregistration

- a. Go to [‘My Studies’](#) for an overview of your studies.
  - b. Go to [‘Student Service’](#) under [‘My Studies’](#) for information on your status.
  - c. Go to [‘reports’](#) under [‘Student Service’](#) to download and print confirmations of matriculation and other relevant documents.
  - d. Go to [‘Payments’](#) and [‘Student Service’](#) to check whether you have already reregistered for the next term and how much money you need to pay to the university (“Verwaltungsgebühr”). You must pay using your bank account. Reregistration for the summer term usually starts in January and for the winter term usually in June. You will receive an email from the central administration informing you that you can now reregister!
3. You can register for courses in the [‘Studies offered’](#) menu.

### Studies offered

#### [Search for courses](#)

Search for courses by search term or by extended search criteria

#### [Show current courses](#)

The courses of current day will be shown (incl. date, room and teaching person).

The date can be changed manually or by a calendar function.

#### [Show university course catalog](#)

Show all courses in a hierarchic structure.

→ [Module descriptions](#)

Module descriptions

#### [Application](#)

Apply for admission to a course of study of your own choice.

Under [‘Show university course catalog’](#), you have to follow the path: “6 Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences → Political Science → Comparative and Middle East Politics and Society – Master of Arts (Version 2019)”.

It is also worth checking out other classes of the institute, which you can find under: “6 Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences → Political Science”.

Then, you open the respective tab for the **module** in which you would like to sign up for a course, then open the tab for the **course** within the module, and then you can access the course page. For the module [‘Issues in Comparative & Middle East Politics and Society II’](#), for example, it will look like this.



On the course page, the most important tabs are 'Contents' where you can explore the contents of the course.



## Term planning

Events

**Contents**

University course catalog

Linked examinations

Modules / Courses of study

### Contents ▼

In this class, we will be discussing and learning about conceptual difficulties related to regime types, regime transformation, democracy and democrarization. We will look at various world regions and analyze cases of democratization, democratic consolidation, and autocratization under different theoretical and conceptual lenses.

### Learning target ▼

After successfully attending this course, students should be aware of the various difficulties relating to regime type classification and debates on regime transformation. Further, they should be able to operationalize various definitions of different regime types and accurately discuss them using empirical cases.

### Target group ▼

Recommended for senior undergraduate students and graduate students

Compulsory for CMEPS MA students

... and 'Events' where you can check the dates for your courses and apply.



## Term planning

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### Basic data ▼

Title	Regime Change and Democratization
Number	P0341
Organizational unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Institute of Political Science (person responsible)</li> </ul>
Eventtype	Seminar
Frequency of offer	infrequently
Periods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>POL_ZR_BELEGUNG_Einfach_AN_WiSe24 from Aug 1, 2024 00:00:00 to Oct 10, 2024 23:59:59 - active</li> <li>POL_ZR_ABMELDUNG_WiSe24 from Oct 14, 2024 00:00:00 to Nov 4, 2024 23:59:59 - future</li> </ul>

### Regime Change and Democratization ▼

Bookmark for my Timetable Export data as iCalendar (.ics) Showing single dates

Open details

Apply



## ILIAS:

On ILIAS, you can find materials for your classes, for example, mandatory readings.

1. [https://ovidius.uni-tuebingen.de/ilias3/login.php?target=&soap\\_pw=&ext\\_uid=&cookies=nocookies&client\\_id=pr02&lang=de](https://ovidius.uni-tuebingen.de/ilias3/login.php?target=&soap_pw=&ext_uid=&cookies=nocookies&client_id=pr02&lang=de)
2. Click on >>Login to ILIAS<< and enter your ID and password.
3. Click on the account menu on the top right, access the 'Einstellungen' menu, and change 'Sprache' to your preferred language.
4. For subscribing to new classes click on 'Repository' and select the first item 'Repository - Home' from the tab menu.
5. Scroll down and choose your term.

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Kategorien

- Winter semester 2024-25
- Summer semester 2024
- Winter semester 2023-24
- Externe Angebote  
Zugang zu Lernplattformen von Universitäten und Hochschulen außerhalb Tübingens.
- Forschung
- Sonstiges  
Semesterunabhängige Angebote und weitere Einrichtungen der Universität
- Support

6. Follow the path: "Winter semester 2025 -26 → 6 Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences → Political Science → Comparative and Middle East Politics and Society – Master of Arts (Version 2019)."

Here, you can choose a course, for example:



## P405 CMEPS Colloquium (Jan 2024)



7. Fill in the password and check the box for the user agreement, i.e. that the lecturer can see your name, ID, mail address, etc.

**Actions ▾**

Info
Join

### Course Registration

Join
Cancel

Registration Period Unlimited

Registration Type Join with Course Password

Password

If a course administrator has given you the course password, you can join this course.

### User Agreement

Released Data Types The following data types are visible for course administrators:

- Username
- First Name
- Last Name
- Title
- E-Mail
- Matriculation number
- Studiengang

Acceptance \* ☐ I accept, that the above data types are visible for course administrators.

\* Required

Join
Cancel

In the course's folder, you can now access all relevant materials.



### 3. STUDENT ADVISORY – GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 3.1 Cover Sheet of written Assignments

Once you must hand in **any written** assignment (term paper, essay, discussion paper, etc.) please make sure that your cover sheet ALWAYS contains the following information:

Universität Tübingen

Institut für Politikwissenschaft

Summer/Winter Term xxxx (Year)

Course: [*Title of the Course in Italics*]

Word count:

Instructor: xyz

[FIRST NAME LAST NAME STUDENT]

[Student ID number]

[Name of Assignment, e.g.: "Joint Research Paper"]

[Title of Assignment, if applicable]

Two important hints:

- 1) A written assignment **must never** contain the logo of the university.
- 2) **Pease also make sure that your written assignment contains the following "Declaration of Plagiarism"** on a separate page at the beginning or the very end of your work. This is not an option but a must have. This goes also and especially for your M.A. thesis!





### 3.2 Declaration of Plagiarism

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I hereby declare that I have completed the assignment with the title

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independently and only with the materials and aids specified in the paper.

I am aware that all written work that I submit during my studies as coursework or examination work must be written independently. Quotations and the use of external sources and aids must be clearly identified by me in accordance with the rules of scientific documentation. I may not pass off other people's texts or text passages (including those from the internet) as my own (see also generative AI below). My work has not been the subject of another examination procedure, neither in its entirety nor in significant parts. I have not already published the work, either in full or in substantial parts.

If I violate these basic rules of academic work, this is considered an attempt to deceive or cheat and will result in appropriate consequences. At least, the work will be graded as "insufficient" (5.0). In serious cases, the examination board may also exclude the person concerned from taking further examinations.

I am aware that the use of texts or content created by means of generative AI does not guarantee their quality and that I am responsible if the use of such tools results in incorrect content, violations of data protection law, copyright law or scientific misconduct (e.g. plagiarism).

I also assure that in the case of using generative AI:

- I have only used them as an aid and that my creative influence predominates in the present work;
- I have indicated which generative AI tools I have used, for what purposes and to what extent. If I have used generative AI, I have added an appendix to the thesis in which I have described and reflected on my use of generative AI.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Place, Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Student

The most recent version can usually be found here:

<https://uni-tuebingen.de/fakultaeten/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-fakultaet/fachbereich-sozialwissenschaften/politikwissenschaft/studium/lehre/lehrvorlesungen/plagiatserklaerung/>

### 3.3 Certification of Courses and Module Exams

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To receive documentation of your course and module exam achievements, it is important to sign up on ALMA for your courses before the deadlines. For our courses, this deadline is usually in early October or early April. Deadlines for module exams that are due on March 15, the registration deadline is in January, for those due on September 15, the registration deadline is in July.

For unsubmitted module exams, typically term papers, the following applies: You can deregister from this examination until three days before the deadline on ALMA without further explanation. However, you should discuss with your lecturer a time frame for registering for the exam (and submitting the paper) by the next deadline. If you deregister on time, you do not 'fail' the exam. If you fail to de-register, this is not tragic: You can repeat an exam 2 times. Missed and failed attempts are not listed in your transcript of records.

If you have successfully passed a course or module exam at the Institute of Political Science, the confirmation and the grade will appear on ALMA. In case you take a course that is not automatically related to one of your modules, please send an email to Mr. Sirikupt who can provide the examination office with the necessary information to assign your achievements to the correct module.

In case you cannot find your grade on ALMA despite you having completed your course/module exam several months ago, you can send an email to the respective lecturer.

Find here a video on how to register for exams on ALMA:

[https://timms.uni-tuebingen.de/tp/UT\\_20221018\\_001\\_almaengut\\_0001](https://timms.uni-tuebingen.de/tp/UT_20221018_001_almaengut_0001) (minute 06:35)

or the FAQ for the alma portal: <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/einrichtungen/zentrum-fuer-daten-verarbeitung/dienstleistungen/server/alma-portal/faqs-for-students/>

### 3.4 Transcript of Records

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Generally, the Examination office ("Prüfungsamt") is responsible for your Transcript of Records. This applies to your Final Transcript at graduation and preliminary transcripts with a **calculated average grade**.

If you need a transcript of records **without an average grade**, this can be issued automatically on ALMA.

Please note that you need an appointment (to be arranged via email to [pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)) to enter the examination office. In any case, most communication is possible via the above-mentioned mail address.

<https://uni-tuebingen.de/einrichtungen/verwaltung/iv-studierende/zentrales-pruefungsamt/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-faecher-und-theologien/>

#### EXAMINATION OFFICE

Prüfungsamt / Examination Office  
Room 1.05  
z.H. Irene Melchior  
Wilhelmstraße 19  
D-72074 Tübingen  
[pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)



In case a grade does not appear automatically on ALMA, please send an email to the respective lecturer and ask whether the grade has already been transmitted to the examination office. If you take courses outside the regular CMEPS offers, the module allocation needs to be approved by the CMEPS coordinator. Please send an email with all necessary information to Dr. Mirjam Edel and to the examination office ([pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)).

In case of doubt, please also get in touch with your academic CMEPS coordinator at Tübingen University in order to ensure a smooth proceeding.

### 3.5 The Excursion

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You have the unique chance to take part in an excursion organized by our team. The excursion takes place **in Bonn and Brussels between 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> November**. We will visit international organizations and institutions to give you insides on future employment opportunities.

Please note the following:

1. This excursion earns you 2 ECTS. You are expected to attend around half a day preparatory meeting before the excursion, and to submit a short report presentation after the excursion.
2. By taking part in this excursion, you agree to not only take the time and travel with your colleagues, but to also attend all organized meetings. Failure to do so will exclude you from receiving financial support by the University of Tübingen.
3. You are also required to prepare for the meetings and actively participate in them in a way which reflects the standards of our program.
4. We try to keep the cost of the excursion as low as possible and we do acquire funding to support the excursion and relieve you of some of the cost. Nonetheless there will be some cost for you, usually around 200,00€.

#### REGISTER FOR THE EXCURSION!

Please make sure to register for the Excursion on ALMA. Otherwise, the credits for the Excursion will not show up on your transcript.

### 3.6 The Internship and Internship Report

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You are required to complete a professional experience module during the course of your studies, which comprises a short internship or a course, equipping students with transdisciplinary qualifications. While students can complete this module at any point in their studies (full- or part-time), many CMEPS students do it after their exchange term or after the first semester.

As your internship is compulsory, your employer will not be required to pay you the minimum wage. If the institution to which you apply needs a **confirmation on the compulsory nature of the**



**internship** in your program, please ask Stephanie Wagner to provide you with such a confirmation. Although the Module Handbook states a minimum duration of 120 hours, the whole internship, independent of its duration, will be fully credited and considered “mandatory”. To get ideas on where you could do an internship, check our internship database.

- Part of your obligation is to submit an **internship report**. While the working language in your internship can be German or other languages you speak, your report must be written in English. Please submit the internship report to both Stephanie Wagner and Mirjam Edel digitally. It needs to cover 5 to 7 pages (A4, 12 pt.). In general, the report needs to cover the following points (please adjust the guidelines to your respective internship institution):
  - Describe the **profile of the institution** (field of activity, size, goals, significance, etc.)
  - Embed the **role of the office** in which you work within the whole institution. For instance, if you work at the UNRWA office in Lebanon make sure to assess the role of UNRWA Lebanon in UNRWA global and the UN in general.
  - Describe and embed the **specific functions and tasks** you cover as an intern.
  - Describe your **daily responsibilities and experiences**.
  - Provide a substantial **self-assessment** of your work as an intern: What practical qualities and knowledge did you gain from this experience? In how far might your internship contribute to your educational and professional career? Etc.
  - Provide a **conclusion**: What went well, what did not, and why? Would you recommend this institution to other students in future generations? Why yes? How could this experience be improved? What could the intern do to improve the internship experience?
- Please note that you also must include a letter from your employer **confirming you completed** the internship for this to be counted towards the Practical Experience module. This letter should be handed in within 4 weeks after the completion of the internship.

### 3.7 The Exchange Term in Cairo

Your exchange term is scheduled for the third semester. Classes start in early September and end before Christmas. Below is basic information for your exchange term. More detailed information will be provided separately!

#### General Precautions:

- Register with your respective embassy in Egypt during your stay
- Register with AUC’s Emergency Communication System
- Refrain from any political or other activity that could be regarded as suspicious by authorities
- Travel insurance
- AUCs medical insurance is mandatory

#### IMPORTANT CONTACT AT AUC

##### International Programs and Services Office

Tel: 20.2.2615.3612

[ipso@aucegypt.edu](mailto:ipso@aucegypt.edu)

<https://www.aucegypt.edu/about/office-s/international-programs-and-services->



- German Foreign Office: <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/ReiseUndSicherheit/aegyptensicherheit/212622>
- UK Foreign Office: <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/egypt>

### *Grade Conversion Table for the CMEPS Joint Master's Degree*

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Notensystem USA		Notensystem Deutschland	
Letter Grade*	GPA (Grade Point Average)	Note	Beschreibung
A+		1,0	
<b>A</b>	4.0	<b>1,0</b>	<b>sehr gut</b>
A-	3.7	1,3	
B+	3.3	1,7	
<b>B</b>	3.0	<b>2,0</b>	<b>gut</b>
B-	2.7	2,3	
C+	2.3	2,7	
<b>C</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>befriedigend</b>
C-	1.7	3,3	
D+	1.3	3,7	
<b>D</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>4,0</b>	<b>ausreichend</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,0</b>	<b>nicht ausreichend</b>



## 4. STUDENT ADVISORY – M.A. THESIS

### 4.1 *The Thesis Proposal and Colloquium*

As part of module 12 you are required to take part in the colloquium which is held in your third term (January) **in presence**. The colloquium with supervisors from AUC and Tübingen and all the classmates of one cohort, is one of our unique selling points. For various reasons, the colloquium is held exclusively in presence. No online participation is possible.

The deadline for paper submission for the colloquium is **15th of December 2024**. It should not exceed a maximum of **7 pages**. Please upload your proposal on ILIAS. Note that proposals arriving after the deadline cannot be considered for the colloquium.

Please note that proposals arriving after **the deadline** cannot be considered for the colloquium. In any case, please respect the deadline given.

You will receive detailed information regarding the colloquium schedule and time plan in a timely manner.

#### REGISTER FOR THE COLLOQUIUM!

Please make sure to register for the Colloquium on ALMA. Otherwise, the credits for the Colloquium will not show up on your transcript.

### *Eight golden Rules how to write a Research Proposal*

During your upcoming studies, you will often hear that a good research proposal needs to adhere the **"eight golden rules"**. We provide you with these guidelines in the following. Make sure that your proposal answers these eight questions.

- 1) What is my **research question**? What is my puzzle? Why does the question arise?
  - ☐ Ask for important problems: why are they worth exploring? Keep a "books and articles someone should write"-file; ask if the research question is linked to real-world problems
- 2) What is the **relevant literature**? What literature do I visit?
  - ☐ What is the scholarly debate?
  - ☐ Include a tentative bibliography at the end of the proposal
- 3) Why are existing **answers inadequate**?
  - ☐ Why is the puzzle still relevant?
- 4) How am I going to **answer my questions**?
  - ☐ Conceptual/Theoretical framework: conclusion of literature review; combination of theoretical approaches
- 5) What are **my hypotheses**?



- ☐ Find your main line of arguments and a set of related arguments; if you have too many hypotheses, organize your ideas more simply.
- 6) How do I tentatively evaluate the **conceptual and theoretical framework**?
  - ☐ Where are the shortcomings? What are the limits of my research?
- 7) What is my **methodology** to answer my questions?
  - ☐ Clarify your methods of inquiry and elaborate on the reasons why you chose this methodology.
- 8) What does my **timetable** look like?
  - ☐ Make a realistic timetable and be clear about your next steps.

During the colloquium you will also take the role of a feedback-giver to the thesis proposals of your fellow CMEPS students. Please make yourself familiar with the following basic rules on how to give productive feedback.

### *Ground Rules on giving Feedback*

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There is one paramount rule when it comes to receiving feedback: "Listen to it!" However, in order to make the process of giving and taking feedback most fruitful for everyone involved, there are some basic rules to be observed - also by those, giving feedback.

- 1) The recipient side in feedback round needs to be granted the **opportunity to react** to the issues raised in the plenum.
- 2) Negative critique can be constructive. No one can learn from praise alone and nothing is beyond improvement.  
  
For critique to be **as constructive as possible**, the feedback should not only contain what you like or dislike but also recommendations for improvement.
- 3) Exclusively negative critique is frustrating. Combine your negative critique with **positive aspects**. Nothing is without good elements!
- 4) Every perception is bound to **subjectivity**! Do not generalize and phrase your opinion as your personal perspective. Make sure your claims are evidenced-based, i.e., using facts to support your claims.
- 5) Comment on **relevant elements**! Focus on content rather than ornamentation. You might put yourself in the place of the receiving person and ask yourself "What would I want to know to improve my work? What kind of comments would I need to move on with my research?" Thus, focus on issues that can be solved.
- 6) **Be specific**! Your feedback should be as precise as possible.





## 4.2 The MA Thesis

Your MA thesis is credited with 21 ECTS and should comprise **between 25 000 and 35 000 words** (without cover page, content, references and appendix). From the time of your official registration, you have a maximum of **about four months (18 weeks)** to submit your thesis. You register your thesis by filling out the below-mentioned **white sheet** and having it signed by your supervisor. The sheet is then sent back to the examination office.

After completing your thesis, you need to submit **one hard copy to the examination office**. Please send a digital version of your thesis (**including the signed declaration of authorship**) to the examination office, your second supervisor at AUC, your first supervisor, and to Stephanie Wagner ([mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de)). The hard copy will be forwarded (with an entry stamp) to your **first supervisor** in Tübingen.

Ask your **second supervisor** from the AUC to make sure s/he confirms receipt! Your supervisors will have many theses to consider and may not realize whether yours has arrived or not unless you ask them.

When handing in originals/hard copies, the official date of delivery is important to make sure you stay within the 18-week official deadline. You can hand in the thesis until 23:59 the day before at the examination office.

The digital version has to be sent via Email to your first supervisor in Tübingen, your second supervisor at AUC, the examination office ([pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)), and to our administration: Mrs. Stephanie Wagner ([mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:mena@ifp.uni-tuebingen.de))

### EXAMINATION OFFICE

Prüfungsamt / Examination Office  
Room 1.05  
z.H. Irene Melchior  
Wilhelmstraße 19  
D-72074 Tübingen  
[pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)

## Formatting of the MA Thesis

How to format your thesis:

- > Font: Times Roman/ Arial or a similar font
- > Font Size: 12 pt
- > line spacing: 1,5 pt
- > footnote: size: 10 pt, single spacing
- > margin: 3 cm (top, at the bottom, left side, right side)
- > grouped style (no ragged margin) with hyphenation

Do yourself a favor and create a good impression and sense of professionalism for your evaluators by ensuring that all the formalities are in place before submission.

After you have handed in your thesis, your supervisors have **at least one month to grade** it and write an according report. You will receive the reports on your thesis from your supervisors via email before your oral exam so that you can refer to their feedback on your thesis. It is your responsibility





to coordinate the date of the oral exam with your supervisors. Some might give you a date right away, some might do so after they have graded your thesis. Please discuss this with your respective supervisors.

Be considerate and respectful. Do not easily expect -- or request -- your supervisors to schedule a defense/oral exam immediately, especially if you are submitting your thesis close to the deadline. In that case, be prepared to request an extension if your supervisor(s) require the minimum time allotted to review and grade your work.

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#### 4.2.1 Your 1st Supervisor and 2nd Supervisor

Master theses in the program are jointly supervised. Oral examinations are taken by one professor from each side.

Your first supervisor needs to belong to the academic staff of the Institute of Political Science at Tübingen University. Please find below a list of professors and their research interests. Get in touch with them as soon as possible to discuss possible research questions for your MA thesis. You will find more information here: <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/faculties/faculty-of-economics-and-social-sciences/subjects/departments-of-social-sciences/political-science/institute/people/>

Your second supervisor needs to come from the Department of Political Science at AUC. Do not forget to approach your AUC professors to find your second supervisor during your exchange term! It is your own responsibility to organize your second supervisor and get in touch with him/her accordingly. Please make sure to have this matter settled the very latest before you start writing your thesis.

You need to notify (and to obtain consent from) both supervisors of your time plan of thesis submission and oral examination. Announce your intent to submit the thesis at least six weeks prior to the actual submission. The oral examination will then take place about one to three months after submission. It is **your responsibility** to ensure that your supervisors are available to read the thesis and to hold the oral examination, in particular, if the envisaged period falls outside normal term/semester times at AUC or at Tübingen University. Contact your supervisors via email (or in person) to decide on the date and topics of the oral defense.

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#### *EU and Germany*

- **Professor Gabriele Abels:**

- Professor of Comparative Politics and European Integration
- <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/742>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- European Integration
- Science and Technology Studies, especially Biotechnology Policy, Technology Assessment



- Comparative Politics, Comparative Policy Analysis
- Gender Studies
- Democratization of the EU, especially the role of parliaments in the EU; Multi-level-Parliamentarism; Regional Parliaments, especially German federal states' parliaments
- Political Participation

### *International Relations*

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- **Professor Thomas Diez:**

- Professor of Political Science and International Relations
- <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/3963>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Problems at the intersection of European and International Politics
- Discourses about the future of European governance
- Impact of European integration on the transformation of border conflicts
- Relations between the EU and Turkey
- The Cyprus Conflict
- The role of the EU as an actor in world politics
- The interaction of human rights and civil society stakeholders in conflict transformation

- **Professor Andreas Hasenclever:**

- Professor of Peace Studies and International Politics
- <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/5209>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Peace and Conflict Studies
- Armed Conflicts in Sub-Saharan Africa
- Religion and International Relations
- Use of Force and Poverty
- Institutionalization and IR
- Democratic Peace and IR
- Power in international institutions

- **Dr. Gabi Schlag**

- Senior research fellow and lecturer
- <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/faculties/faculty-of-economics-and-social-sciences/subjects/department-of-social-sciences/political-science/institute/people/international-relationspeace-and-conflict-research-professors-diez-and-hasenclever/team/dr-gabi-schlag/>



**Areas of Expertise:**

- Critical Security Studies
- Discourse and practice theory
- Visual turn in International Relations
- Political Violence and Emotions
- Gender and Bodies
- Interpretive Methodologies
- Foreign policy and diplomatic practices of international organizations

*Comparative and Middle East Politics*

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- **Prof. Dr. Oliver Schlumberger:**

- Professor of Comparative and Middle East Politics
- <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/826>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Comparative study of political regimes
- Democratization and Authoritarianism
- Development Policy
- Good Governance
- Politics of the Middle East
- Political economy of developing countries
- Digitalization and Politics

- **Dr. Mirjam Edel (not available for Winter Term 2025/2026 due to parental leave until the beginning of April 2026!)**

- Senior research fellow and lecturer
- <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/faculties/faculty-of-economics-and-social-sciences/subjects/departement-of-social-sciences/political-science/institute/people/middle-east-and-comparative-politics-professor-schlumberger/team-who-are-we/mirjam-edel/>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Repression under Authoritarian Rule
- Military in the Middle East and North Africa
- State-Society Relations
- Democratization and Authoritarianism
- Digitalization and Politics

- **Dr. des. Chonlawit Sirikupt (available until the end of Winter Term 2025/2026)**

- Lecturer and CMEPS interim program coordinator
- <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/fakultaeten/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-fakultaet/faecher/fachbereich-sozialwissenschaften/politikwissenschaft/institut/lehrende/vorderer-orient-und-vergleichende-politikwissenschaft-professor-schlumberger/team/chonlawit-sirikupt/>



**Areas of Expertise:**

- Digital authoritarianism
- Technology and politics
- Political disinformation and active measures
- Military and politics
- Democratization and authoritarianism

*Comparative Public Policy*

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● **Prof. Dr. Cecilia Bruzelius**

- Professor of Comparative Social Policy and Migration
- <https://uni-tuebingen.de/fakultaeten/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-fakultaet/faecher/fachbereich-sozialwissenschaften/politikwissenschaft/institut/lehrende/comparative-public-policy/team/cecilia-bruzelius/>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Comparative Social Policy, Migration Studies, Political Sociology, Socio-Legal Studies
- Relationship between Migration, Mobility and Social Economic Policy
- Social and economic Rights of Migrants
- EU free Movement, EU citizenship, EU Integration
- Migration Governance

● **Prof Dr. Martin Seeleib-Kaiser:**

- Professor for Policy Analysis
- <https://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/109533>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- The relationship between Globalization and Welfare Systems
- Political Parties and the Welfare State
- The interplay between 'public' and 'private' social protection policies and associated processes of dualization
- Social Rights of EU citizens

● **Dr. Mikko Kuisma:**

- MPPSC Program Lead and Lecturer
- <https://uni-tuebingen.de/fakultaeten/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-fakultaet/faecher/fachbereich-sozialwissenschaften/ifp/institut/lehrende/comparative-public-policy-professor-seeleib-kaiser/team/mikko-kuisma/>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Comparative Politics and Political Economy of (European) Welfare States
- The role of Ideas and Identity in Welfare Capitalism



- European Populist Radical Right Parties
- Citizenship Theory
- Dr. Olga Löblová
  - Lecturer
  - <https://uni-tuebingen.de/fakultaeten/wirtschafts-und-sozialwissenschaftliche-fakultaet/faecher/fachbereich-sozialwissenschaften/politikwissenschaft/institut/lehrende/comparative-public-policy/team/olga-loeblova/>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Political Economy of Resource Allocation in Health Care
- Role of Experts and Evidence in Health Policy Making
- Public Funding of Health Systems, HTA in Health Care Reimbursement Decisions
- Pharmaceutical Policy

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*Political Economy and Economic Didactics*

- Prof. Dr. Hans-Jürgen Bieling:
  - Professor of Political Economy
  - <http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/26729>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- International Relations and global capitalism
- International Political Economy and European Integration
- Theories of Society, State and Politics
- Global financial Crisis and European Union

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*Political Struggles in the Global South*

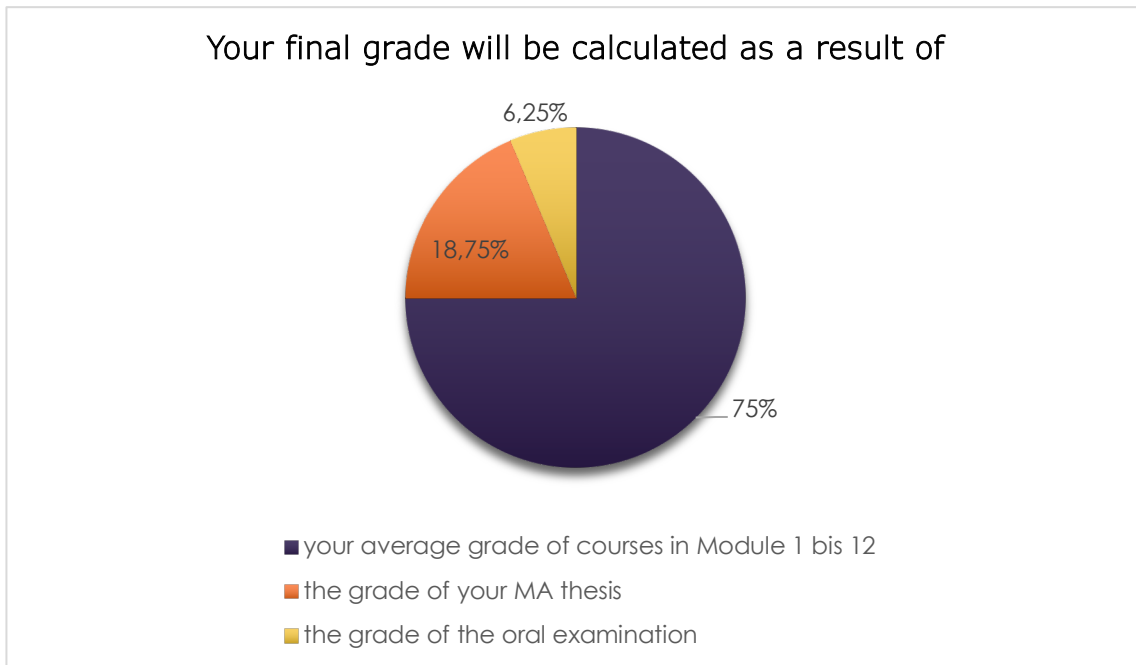
- Jun.-Prof. Riccarda Flemmer
  - Junior Professor of Political Struggles in the Global South
  - <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/faculties/faculty-of-economics-and-social-sciences/subjects/departement-of-social-sciences/political-science/institute/people/political-struggles-in-the-global-south-jun-prof-dr-riccarda-flemmer/>

**Areas of Expertise:**

- Rights of Nature
- Political Struggle of Indigenous People
- Global Power Asymmetries
- Climate Change Activism



#### 4.2.2 The Registration for the Master Thesis and Oral Defense



You need to register at the **examination office (Prüfungsamt)** to be admitted to your MA exam. This is **NOT** the registration of your MA thesis after which you have a maximum of 18 weeks to submit your thesis. This step is purely administrative (§ 16 Studien- und Prüfungsordnung (Zulassungsverfahren)).

To register for the thesis module, please send an email to the examination office and follow their instructions. To register for the thesis module, **you need to already have completed (and documented on ALMA) Modules 7 and 8 (Arabic Profile) or Modules 5 and 6 (Political Science Profile)**. In addition, you need to have completed at least 36 ECTS, amounting to the **completion of at least 60 ECTS** before registering for the Master Thesis.

The Examination office will provide your first supervisor with two sheets of paper: a white and a green one. With the **white sheet**, your MA thesis is officially registered (once sent back by your supervisor, the period of 18 weeks starts). The **green sheet** will be needed to document your oral examination.

#### EXAMINATION OFFICE

Prüfungsamt / Examination Office  
Room 1.05  
z.H. Irene Melchior  
Wilhelmstraße 19  
D-72074 Tübingen  
[pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)



In case the transcript you provide during registration for the exam does not yet contain all 93 ECTS<sup>1</sup> (excluding Module 13), you need to make sure that by the time you complete module 13 (the thesis module), all necessary other Modules are completed and documented on ALMA. On that basis, the examination office can calculate your final grade and issue you your final grade after you completed module 13, which is needed to complete your graduation and receive your certificate and final transcript. For that, please make sure to hand in the “application for issuance”. (see last page)

Please note that you need an appointment (to be arranged via email to [pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:pa-politik@wiso.uni-tuebingen.de)) to enter the examination office. In any case, most communication is possible via the above-mentioned mail address.

### 4.2.3 The Oral Defense

As part of the Joint Degree program, the oral exam is a component of your module 13 and is credited with 3 ECTS. The exam will take **45 minutes**. The topic is the **defense** of your thesis. Usually, you will have the opportunity to present your thesis findings in 5-10min at the beginning of the defense. Please discuss the details with your examiners beforehand. Your examiners should be the readers of your thesis – one from AUC, one from Tuebingen.

In addition, one colleague can be present to write the minutes of the oral exam but is not allowed to ask questions.

After completing your oral exam, the above-mentioned **green sheet** with your grade and the minutes will be delivered to the examination office. The colleague who wrote the minutes will sign the green sheet on behalf of your second examiner.

#### NOTE ON ORAL EXAM WITH PROF. SCHLUMBERGER

Note that as a rule of thumb, Prof. Schlumberger will not be able to be part of your oral exams in the months of April and October, as administrative obligations at the beginning of the terms do not allow for that.

<sup>1</sup> According to the Module Handbook, you need to earn 93 ECTS in modules 1 to 12. The thesis module (module 13) is worth 27 ECTS which adds up to the necessary 120 ECTS to graduate.





#### 4.2.4 Your MA ORAL Exam and the Re-Enrollment

In case you plan to graduate in one term but end up late in submitting your thesis so that your oral exam then falls into the following term (even October 1<sup>st</sup>), you must **discuss this with the examination office**, as you would usually be required to re-enroll for the following term (Rückmeldung) and pay an administrative fee of 199.80 Euros (as of 2025-2026 Winter Semester). You must plan for a minimum of six weeks for your supervisor and reader to read your thesis and report on it (they may also extend that time by notifying the exam office!). Therefore, you must make sure to submit your thesis early enough to be able to actually earn your degree in the term you plan to do so.

#### 4.2.5 Termination of Enrollment

After completion of your studies, you should fill out an “Application for termination of enrollment” (“Antrag auf Exmatrikulation”). You then receive a certificate of disenrollment, which you would need, for example, if you want to enroll at another (German) university. If you neither re-enroll nor terminate your enrollment, your enrollment will be terminated after the end of the term ex-officio.

You can find the Application for termination of enrollment here:

<https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/study/organizing-your-studies/semester-and-study-planning/termination-of-enrollment/>

**N.B.:** Finish your studies in time. After seven terms you will lose the right to take any exams – and thus to earn a degree from the University. This is stated in the examination regulation.

**N.B.:** To receive your final certificates, you have to hand in the “application for issuance of final transcript and certificates” to the examination office. You can receive this file from Stephanie Wagner or the examination office.