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MASTER OF SCIENCE

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EXAMINATION PROTOCOL FOR THE IMES COURSE OF STUDY

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Legend

AM	Aufbaumodul/Advanced Modules		
вм	Basismodul/Basic Modules		
EX	Exkursion/Excursions		
K	Kontaktzeit (= Präsenzzeit in LV). Contact Time (Presence required in class)		
LP	Leistungspunkt (engl.: CP)		
LV	Lehrveranstaltung/Class		
Р	Pflichtveranstaltung/Mandatory Class		
W	Wahlveranstaltung/Elective Class		
s	Semester		
SoSe	Sommersemester/Summer Semester		
sws	Semesterwochenstunde/Semester Weekly Hour		
Ü	Übung/Practical Session		
VN	Selbststudium/Self Study		
WiSe	Wintersemester/Winter Semester		

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1. The International Master of Environmental Sciences

All around the planet, humans have had an effect on the evironment; they have significantly damaged it and exploited natural resources far beyond their capacity for regeneration. Even in the most remote parts of Antarctica chemical remnants due to human activity have been found. Humans are dependent for their survival, however, on a properly functioning environment. For this reason, a strong interest in environmental sciences can be seen today. This interest is aimed at supporting the preservation of the environment and, as such, the natural basis for our livelihood.

Obtaining a fundamental understanding of many of the issues confronting the environment is only possible by studying the interaction between human activity and natural ecosystem processes. Through an interdisciplinary approach, this course of study shall pursue the goal of connecting the various subdivisions of the environmental sciences (natural science foundations, legal frameworks, social and economic consequences of human activity, health implications) as well as environmental education, with one another in order to be able to solve environmental problems in the context of various disciplines.

1.1 Content, Study Objectives and Requirements

Content:

The four-semester course of study imparts knowledge in the area of natrual and social sciences in connection with environmental sciences. A series of interdisciplinary courses shall link the individual modules and courses with one another. An international setting is attained by having a significant contingent of foreign students. Further, the course of study aims to integrate a wide spectrum of domestic and foreign guest lecturers into the teaching, which is conducted in English.

Depending on the direction they intend to take in their careers, as well as their personal inclinations, students develop an individual profile through the selection of their modules. A master's thesis is completed within those selected areas. A series of excursions supplements the seminars and provide practical insight into possible areas of work in the field of environmental sciences. In addition, the course of study endeavors to impart skills in the areas of methods and scientific writing and presentation. Semesters abroad and internships are not a part of the official study schedule, but may individually be integrated into the course of study.

Study Objectives:

The IMES program, with the degree of Master of Science (MSc), equips students with the ability to engage in independent scientific work, to analyze and critically evaluate scientific findings in the field of environmental sciences, to apply in a targeted manner scientific working methods and to deal with complex interdisciplinary problems taking into consideration their societal and natural science aspects. Further, students are made competent in the areas of scientific writing, presentation and project organization. The international aspect of the program requires an advanced level of social skills, which imparts to the students the basic requirement of being able to successfully work in an international context. The approach, which has both research and career oriented, and the individual area

of concentration in the masters program are essential requirements for the successful placement of graduates in the diverse employment fields within the environmental science.

Requirements:

The admissions requirements can be found in the Admissions Protocol.

1.2 Program Structure and Schedule

a) 1st and 2nd Semester

In the first phase, interdisciplinary foundations are taught over two semesters in base modules specific to the course of study. These can be freely chosen by the students. However, in the first two semesters, at least one module in the area of natural and social sciences must be taken in each. In order to attain the required minimum of 30 credit points each, at least one additional module must be chosen based on individual interest. The lectures offered in the first semester and the methods courses in the second semester are mandatory. Further, students are offered excursions and seminars on scientific work, which are likewise mandatory.

b) 3rd Semester

In the second phase, students are offered the opportunity to specialize in subareas of the environmental sciences and may choose two subjects from the areas of the natural or social sciences. A concentration in only natural or social sciences is generally possible. In this phase, practical foundations, in particular, are imparted in order to be able to deal independently and in a problem-oriented manner with environmental issues. It is in this manner that students are prepared to work in interconnected projects at the intersections of society and environment.

In addition, there is a mandatory seminar in the area of advanced environmental sciences. Based on the technical knowledge learned in the prior semesters, students shall be provided additional explanation of the interrelationships across disciplines.

c) 4th Semester

The 3rd phase of the program consists of the preparation of a master's thesis extending over the period of one semester and is completed with an oral final examination. In addition to student guidance by a professor, participation in a master's colloquim is mandatory. This is meant to ensure that students receive regular feedback on their work and that questions regarding the preparation of the thesis can be answered on a timely basis.

1.3 Credit Points Overview

Credit Points Overview and Semester Weighting in the Overall Grade						
Professional studies: 1st Semester	30 points	25 %				
Professional studies: 2nd Semester	30 points	25 %				
Professional studies: 3rd Semester	30 points	25 %				
Master's Thesis: 4th Semester	30 points	25 %				
Total	120 points	100%				

1.4 Course Overview

	Credit Points Overview								
S	Module	Туре	Class Time (h)	Self Study (h)	Credi t Point s	Page			
1-2	Introduction to Natural and Social Sciences and Excursions	Р	60	120	6	5			
1-2	Meteorology (Atmosphere I)	W	60	120	6	7			
1	Atmospheric Chemistry (Atmosphere II)	W	60	120	6	8			
1-2	Ecology (Biosphere)	W	60	120	6	10			
1-2	Geosphere	W	60	120	6	12			
1	Hydrology	W	60	120	6	13			
2	Environmental Economics	W	60	120	6	15			
1-2	Environmental Medicine	W	60	120	6	17			
1-2	Environmental Law	W	60	120	6	19			
1-2	Environmental Politics	W	60	120	6	21			
1	Environmental Management	W	30	60	3	24			

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1	Environmental Sociology	W	30	60	3	26
1-2	Anthropology	W	60	120	6	28
1-2	Education	W	60	120	6	30
2	Geographic Information Systems	W	30	60	3	31
1	Introduction to Environmental Statistics	W	30	60	3	33
1	Introduction to Environmental Chemistry	W	30	60	3	34
1-4	Supplementary Work Shops: Soft Skills and Science and Communication	W				35
3	Integrated Advanced Module in Environmental Sciences	Р	60	120	6	36
3	Advanced Module Atmosphere	W	120	240	12	38
3	Advanced Module Biosphere	W	120	240	12	40
3	Advanced Module Geosphere	W	120	240	12	42
3	Advanced Module Hydrosphere	W	120	240	12	44
3	Advanced Module Environmental Law	W	120	240	12	46
3	Advanced Module Environmental Policy and Management	W	120	240	12	48
3	Advanced Module Political Ecology & Environmental Governance	W	120	240	12	50
3	Advanced Module Environmental Spatial Methods	W	120	240	12	51
4	Master Thesis	Р			30	54

2. Modul Description

2.1 Basic Modules

	Basic Module: Introduction to Natural and Social Environmental Sciences and Excursions						
Code Numb		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:	
MA-IME	S-B-INT	180 h	6	1. Sem.	WiSe/SoSe	2 Semester	
1	Title:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:	
	a) Profe	essional Lecture	e Series	2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	
	b) Excu	ırsions					
2	Goals	of qualification	ո։				
	The stu	idents will be al	ble to:				
		•		pects of environ al partners of the		•	
	•	network with ex	cperts outside	the University			
		develop their p in topics of thei	•	ofiles by seeking collaboration opportunities			
		demonstrate th assignment	eir ability to ind	dividual scientifi	c work through	the	
3	Conte	nts:					
	 a) During the summer (sometimes also in winter) semester, the IMES office will invite guest speakers from organisations directly related to the environmental sciences (Eg. municipalities, United Nations, NGOs, research institutes, companies and associations). The various guest speakers will cover the broadest possible spectrum of topics relating to courses taught under IMES. Guests will introduce their organizations and work projects. b) The students are required to participate in six excursions during the winter and summer term. The excursions will take place in the greater region of Cologne and cover different areas related to environmental sciences. 						
4	-	f Course:					
	Guest L	_ectures and Ex	cursion				
5	Status of the Module in the Program:						

	Obligatory Module in the IMES-Program				
6	Requirements for Participation:				
	None				
7	Type of Examination:				
	a) The students must complete a written assignment (term paper) on a topic of their choice. The term paper should be at least 10 pages long (including contents and bibliography). While assessing the work, the substantive and formal questions are given equal weighting (50% / 50%). The students receive feedback about their individual weaknesses, after the completion of their assessment				
	If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.				
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:				
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module part has been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0) and the students participated in six excursions/submitted one briefing.				
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:				
	5% (6 LP)				
10	Person in Charge:				
	a) and b) Academic Manager of IMES				
11	Other Information:				
	None				

Basic	Basic Module: Meteorology (Atmosphere I)								
Coad Number:		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:			
MA-IMES-B-At1		180 h 6		1. Sem.	WiSe	2 Semester			
1	b) Intro	eral Aspects of duction to Syno eorology	o,	Contact Time: 2 SWS / 30 h 2 SWS / 30 h	Self-study: 60 h 60 h	Size: 30 30			

2 Goals of qualification: a) and b) To get an insight in fundamental physical principles upon which atmospheric sciences are based. Basic knowledge in thermodynamics of the atmosphere, some dynamics of the atmosphere, global circulation, technics of weather prediction an remote sensing and atmospheric chemistry and air pollution. 3 Contents: a) In the lecture, fundamental physical principles upon which atmospheric sciences are based will be introduced. The goal is to provide an elementary description and interpretation of a wide range of atmospheric phenomena. Main topics are a survey of the atmosphere including measurement devices, basic laws describing the atmosphere, a fundamental understanding of synoptical weather systems including numerical weather predictions and aspects of remote sensing. 4 **Type of Course:** Seminar, Lecture 5 Status of the Module in the Program: Compulsory Module Choice 6 **Requirements for Participation:** None 7 Type of Examination: The dates of the written exam will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Type of examination: Exam. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures (a and b) of this module description. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted. 8 **Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:** Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module has been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0). 9 **Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:** 5% (6 LP) 10 Person in Charge: a) Prof. Dr. Yaping Shao, Universität zu Köln - Institut für Geophysik und Meteorologie

11	Other Information:
	None

Basic Module: Atmospheric Chemistry (Atmosphere II)									
Cod	Code Number: Workload Credits Term Frequency Duration								
MA-IMES-B-At2		1	80 h	6	1. Semester	WiSe 1 Sem			
1	1 Type of lessons		Contact time		Self-study times	size			
			30 h		60 h	30			
a) Lectures		30 h		60 h					
	b) Exercise	es							

2 Aims of the module and acquired skills

- Comprehension of how physical/chemical processes affect composition and changes of the atmosphere
- Knowledge of several trace substance cycles
- Comprehension of spatial and temporal gradients of trace substances
- Application of reaction mechanisms on the decomposition of trace substances
- Acquired skills are computer practice, general comprehension of systems, critical assessment and discussion of scientific work

3 Contents of the module

- Chemical elementary reactions
- Chemical composition of the atmosphere
- Simple reaction systems
- Chemical and atmospheric persistence
- Photochemistry
- Biogenic and anthropogenic emissions
- Atmospheric deposition processes
- Climate efficiency of trace gases
- Aerosol chemistry and physics
- Atmospheric distribution of trace substances
- Trace substance cycles of CO, methane, hydrocarbons, sulfur compounds, nitric oxides
- Chemistry of the hydroxyl radical
- Complex ways of decomposition of trace substances
- · Photochemistry of the decomposition of trace substances, radical cycles
- Formation of ozone in the troposphere
- Trace substance balance, troposphere, stratosphere
- Stratospheric ozone chemistry
- Climate development

4 Teaching/Learning methods

Lectures and tutorials

5	Requirements for participation
	None
6	Type of module examinations
	Written examination (graded).
7	Requisites for the allocation of credits
	Successful participation in the exercises (50 % of the possible points have to be obtained) and passing of the examination.
	At the end of the semester or to the beginning of the following semester a possibility to repeat the examination is offered. A failed examination may be repeated twice. Additional possibilities to repeat an examination exist taking into account the "Joker" and the "Aces" according to the examination regulations (§ 20 section 2).
	Assessments which have been passed are not allowed to be taken again. There is an exception: If at the end of a module which consists of a lecture and tutorial classes, the student takes the assessment at the first available date after having received admission to the module exam, he/she is then allowed to take the assessment again at the next available date for the purpose of improving the grade, even if he/she passed the assessment the first time – in this case, the better of the two grades will count towards the final degree grade (§ 20 section 7).
	The exam grade is the module mark. In the case of two passed exams the better grade is the module mark.
8	Compatibility with other Curricula
	 Other modules of equal value can be admitted and announced by the examination board after agreement. Suitable as an elective course for mathematics, physics and geoscience students
9	Significance of the module mark for the overall grade
	5% (6 LP)
10	Module coordinator
	A. Wahner, T. Mentel
11	Additional information
	The "Forschungszentrum Jülich" is offering every year internships to IMES students. These internships can be chosen as a third term module during the third term. IMES students will be involved in running research projects. Further information will be given by the module coordinator during the lectures.

Basic Module: Ecology (Biosphere)							
Code Number:	Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:		

MA-IMES-B-Bio						
		180 h	6	1. Sem.	WiSe	2 Semester
1	Title:		Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:	
	a) Ecol	ogy I		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30
	b) Ecol	logy II		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30
2	Goals	of Qualificatio	n:			
	a) Understanding general ecological principles, overview on aspects of autecology, population ecology, community ecology and ecosystem ecology. Ability to identify and work on issues in applied ecology and environmental science based on knowledge from ecological processes and patterns.					
3	Conte	nts:				
	zoological aspects of the factors determining the abundance and distribution of organisms. All aspects are discussed in the context of applied issues: Methods ecological research incl. theoretical methods and hypotheses oriented studies. Nature of complexity of interactions. Basic abiotic factors characterising the different regions of the biosphere. Physiological ecology of adaptations to environmental conditions. Population ecology incl. intra- and interspecific interactions of organisms, population dynamics, life history strategies, and productivity on different trophic levels. In the second part, the lecture focuses of community ecology and ecosystem ecology (competition, predator-prey interactions, diversity, food-web organization, flow of energy and material). Environmental case studies are used to illustrate these concepts: invasion of especies (dispersal), climate change (auto ecology and biogeography), pest core (trophic interactions), fisheries and overexploitation (food web organization), bit monitoring (auto ecology).					d studies. ing the ns to ecific s, and focuses on rey erial). asion of exotic), pest control
4	•	f Course:				
	Seminar, Lecture					
5		of the Module	•	n:		
	•	Isory Module Cl				
6	_	ements for Par	ticipation:			
	None					
7	"	f Examination:				
	The da	ites of the writte	n exam will be	announced at th	e start of each	course by

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	the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Type of examination: Exam. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures (a and b) of this module description. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module has been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	5% (6 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Prof. Dr. Hartmut Arndt, Universität zu Köln – Zoologisches Institut
11	Other Information
	None

Basic	Basic Module: Geosphere						
Code Numb		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:	
MA-IME	S-B-Geo1	180 h	6	1. Sem.	WiSe	2 Semester	
1	Title:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:	
	,	duction to Envir ysics (WiSe)	onmental	2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	
	b) Lan	dscape Formati	on (SoSe)	2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	
2	Goals	of qualification	n:		l		
	interpr	•	res of the appli	g of basic conce ed geophysical r	•	• •	
	b) Knowledge and understanding of the factors, dynamics and outputs of landscape evolution with special regard to the Quaternary and the interaction of natural phenomena and human activities.						
3	Contents:						
	a) The lecture will give a general introduction to the most important methods of geophysical exploration. These methods represent a primary tool for the investigation of the subsurface and are consequently very important for environmental scientists. Several aspects of the various survey methods such as the physical principles, methodology, interpretative procedures and fields of environmental application will be discussed, the main emphasis being placed on electromagnetic and seismic methods as the most intensively used techniques. The main goal of the lecture is to demonstrate the possibilities of applied geophysics in the assessment of environmental risk.					he or ods such as the of placed on chniques. The	
	b) The lecture will address the fundamental factors, dynamics and outputs of landscape evolution. Special focus is driven to relief-forms (their morphography, morphometry, morphodynamics and morphochronology) as they are fundamental control factors in each ecosystem. Beside the natural landscape formation, the effects of human activities (e.g. technical landforms) and of climate change on (catastrophic) geomorphological processes (e.g. floods and landslides) will be demonstrated.					ohography, fundamental ation, the nange on	
4		f Course:					
	Lecture	9					
5	Status	Status of the Module in the Program:					

Compulsory Module Choice
Requirements for Participation:
None
Type of Examination:
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Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module has been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
5% (6 LP)
Person in Charge:
a) Prof. Dr. Bülent Tezkan, Universität zu Köln - Institut für Geophysik und Meteorologie
b) Prof. Dr. Helmut Brückner, Universität zu Köln – Geographisches Institut
Other Information
None

Basic	Basic Module: Hydrology						
Code Number:		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:	
MA-IMES-B-Geo2		90 h	3	1. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester	
1	Title:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:	
	b) Physical Hydrology (WiSe)		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30		

2 Goals of Qualification:

a) Understand the underlying concepts of hydrology and gain an understanding of hydrological methods used in water resources management. Based upon the understanding of processes, which govern of water fluxes and water storages, as well as the methods available to gain qualitative information about our water resources, the students will learn to assess the potentials and limits of different water uses. Hydrological processes are discussed particularly with respect to issues of water resources management. Building upon the thorough understanding of physical hydrological processes, methods and options of integrated water resources management are discussed in follow up courses of the 3rd semester.

3 Contents:

a) The lecture provides an introduction to terrestrial physical hydrology. The focus will be on quantitative aspects of hydrology. Students will learn about basic hydrological concepts such as the water cycle on different spatial scales (global hydrological cycle to plot scale), various fluxes of water as well as water storage terms on the land surface. They will obtain an understanding and appreciation of hydrology as a quantitative science describing the occurrence, distribution and movement of water at and near the surface of the earth. The impact of different environmental properties on the water availability and parameters used to determine these fluxes will be discussed. Fundamental methods and concepts to describe, measure and model these fluxes will be presented.

Based upon the discussion of the hydrological principles and physical laws, students should be able to develop a sound understanding of the physical processes involved in the land phase of the hydrologic cycle. This will provide a framework to derive temporal and spatial distribution of the available water resources and the foundation to determine opportunities and limits of sustainable use of available water resources. As water is a key environmental resource, which determines and limits future development possibilities, a sound knowledge of physical terrestrial hydrology is crucial for future decision makers. While this lecture focuses on the aspects of physical hydrology, a multitude of cross references and implications to environmental problems as well as applied issues of environmental management are obvious, since water is a key substance for environmental processes and well as social and economic issues such as water environmental management. The participants are required to prepare the classroom meetings prior to each session based upon the teaching material presented on the e- learning platform ILIAS. This enables the students to follow the explanations and to pose relevant questions.

4 Type of Course:

Lecture
Status of the Module in the Program:
Compulsory Module Choice
Requirements for Participation:
None
Type of Examination:
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Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module has been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
2,5% (3 LP)
Person in Charge:
a) Prof. Dr. Karl Schneider, Universität zu Köln – Geographisches Institut
Other Information
None

Basic Module: Environmental Economics						
Coad Number:		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IMES-B-Eco		180 h	6	2. Sem.	SoSe	1 Semester
1	Title			Contact Time	Self-study	Size
	a) Energy, Resources, Environment, and the Economy (SoSe)		4 WS / 60 h	120	60	

2	Goals of qualification:						
	a) Students get a general understanding of energy, resource, and environmental economics which is a central asset while working in media, banks, research institutes and the public and private sector. The course prepares students for further research in that academic area. The institutional framework of the subject will be explained and presented. Based on empirical and theoretical literature students will analyse the topic and will be encourages to discuss the papers critically.						
3	Contents:						
	* Basic technical and energy economic principles						
	* Energy markets						
	* Resource economy						
	* Environmental economy						
4	Type of Course						
	Lecture, Seminar						
5	Status of the Module in the Program:						
	Compulsory Module Choice						
6	Requirements for Participation						
	None						
7	Type of Examination:						
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8	Type of Examination: The dates of the written exam will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Type of examination: Exam. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures of this module description. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted. Requirements for allocation of credit points: Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0). Significance of the grading in the final grade						

11 Other Information

Based on the availability of courses, a third term module is possible. Further information will be given during the lecture.

Basic Module: Environmental Medicine						
Code Numb		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IMES-B-Med		180 h	6	1. and 2. Sem.	WiSe/SoSe	2 Semester
1	Title:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:
a) Environmental Medicine I b) Environmental Medicine II			2 SWS / 30 h 2 SWS / 30 h	60 h 60 h	30 30	

2 Goals of Qualification:

a) b) Students are introduced to the study and assessment of the impacts of physical, chemical, and biological agents in the environment on human health and disease and to means for their measurement and control.

3 Contents:

In the course of 2 integrative semesters, Environmental Medicine I and II prepare students to study and assess the impacts of physical, chemical, and biological agents in the environment on human health and disease and introduce means for their measurement and control.

The curriculum is syndisciplinary, including environmental medicine and epidemiology, toxicology, hygiene, and risk assessment.

- a) Environmental Medicine I places emphasis on:
 - global threats: past and current
 - information resources
 - human physiology
 - statistical methods
 - study designs
 - waterborne diseases,
 - airborne diseases,
 - risk assessment and public health.
- b) Environmental Medicine II places emphasis on:

	statistical methods							
	study designs							
	water- and airborne diseases, ionizing radiation.							
	ionizing radiation, non-ionizing radiation.							
	non-ionizing radiation,skin and environment,							
	 preventive and interventive research, risk assessment and public health. 							
	Tisk assessment and public fleatin.							
4	Type of Course:							
	Lecture							
5	Status of the Module in the Program:							
	Compulsory Module Choice							
6	Requirements for Participation:							
	None							
7	Type of Examination:							
	The dates of the written exam will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Type of examination: Exam. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures (a and b) of this module description. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.							
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:							
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module has been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).							
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:							
	5% (6 LP)							
10	Person in Charge:							
	a) b) Prof. Dr. Thomas Erren, Universität zu Köln - Institut und Poliklinik für Arbeits- und Sozialmedizin							
11	Other Information							
	None							

Basic	Basic Module: Environmental Law					
Code Number:		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IME	ES-B-Law	180 h	6	1. and 2. Sem.	WiSe/SoSe	2 Semester
1	Title:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:
	a) Introduction to Comparative Environmental Law		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	
	b) Introduction to International Environmental Law		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	

2 Goals of Qualification:

a)

- Learn to identify and understand domestic sources of environmental law, institutions of environmental law, and subjects of environmental law.
- Learn the basics of finding domestic sources of environmental law.
- Learn the advantages and disadvantages of comparativism.
- Learn to distinguish law from politics.
- Learn the basics of environmental legislation, interpretation and execution.
- Learn how environmental law builds upon, and contributes to, other social sciences as well as the natural sciences.

b)

- Learn to distinguish international public environmental law from politics.
- Learn the basics of international environmental legislation, interpretation and execution.
- Learn how international environmental law builds upon, and contributes to, other social sciences as well as the natural sciences.
- Learn to identify and understand international sources of environmental law, institutions of environmental law and subjects of environmental law and to distinguish them and their functions from the domestic ones.
- Learn how international environmental law has been used to solve environmental problems.
- Learn to distinguish the solutions to environmental problems offered by international law from those offered by domestic law.

3 Contents:

a) This Module will introduce the student to the discipline of law. Focus will be

upon domestic legal systems, and upon recognizing where environmental law fits within domestic legal systems. To achieve the learning goals, students will learn how environmental problems were, and still are, solved through the law before and after the introduction of dedicated environmental legislation. Students will be introduced to domestic sources, institutions and subjects of law. Students will be introduced to the concept of sources of law as the basics of finding applicable law to a problem.

b) This Module will introduce the student to international law, building upon the first semester's understanding of domestic law. Focus will be upon distinguishing international sources, institutions and subjects from domestic ones, and upon distinguishing international public law from politics. Treaties will be studied in the categories of the natural sciences: atmosphere, hydrosphere and geosphere. Cases of litigation and arbitration will be studied to determine international customs and principles.

4 Type of Course:

Lecture

5 Status of the Module in the Program:

Compulsory Module Choice

6 Requirements for Participation:

- a) None
- b) While there is no formal requirement, International Environmental Law will be taught assuming the student has a basic understanding of sources of law, institutions of law and subjects of law, however that understanding was achieved.

7 Type of Examination:

- a) Students will independently research and write a paper outside of the lectures in which the student presents an environmental problem in a country of his or her choice, presents that country's official state policy on the problem, presents the sources and institutions of law on that problem in that country, and then assesses whether those laws and institutions solve the problem. The student will then do the same for a second country of choice. The paper will then build a matrix by which one can compare the performance of the first country's environmental solutions with the second. Date for completion will be after in-class examinations for the semester are complete. Enrollment for the paper will be the date on which the paper is due. Re-examination will follow the exam regulations and may include other types of examination.
- b) The preferred type of examination will be to assign case studies of international environmental law to teams of students consisting of students of natural and social sciences, and may include law students. The team of multi-disciplinary students will research the problem from his or her disciplinary perspective and present the research to other members of the group. Each member of the group is then responsible

write a paper independently using the research learned from the
ners. Re-examination will follow the exam regulations and may
clude other types of examination.
, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above
oned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the
regulation, can be conducted.
rements for Allocation of Credit Points:
points are allocated when the examinations of the module has been
sfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
cance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
LP)
n in Charge:
Prof. Dr. Kirk Junker, Universität zu Köln – Lehrstuhl für US-
kanisches Recht
Information

Code Number: MA-IMES-B-Pol		Workload: 180 h	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency: WiSe/SoSe	Duration: 2 Semester
				1. and 2. Sem.		
1	Title and Term:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:
	a) EU Environmental Policy and Policy Making (WiSe)b) Political Ecology (SoSe)		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	
			2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	
2	Goals	of Qualification	n:			
	a) Key	course object	ives are to:			
	 introduce students to key elemer making; analyse the conceptual characte embedment of EU environmenta encourage students to assess th 			ristics, policy coh l policies;	nerence and int	ernational

Action Policies in view of their overall coherence;

- pay particular tribute to EU Climate Action and the 2015 COP- 21 Climate Negotiations in Paris;
- provide students with an opportunity to explore areas of special interest through their individual research papers;
- further develop students' research and writing skills via their papers.
- During the seminar students will:
- acquire knowledge on EU environmental and Climate Action policies;
- gain a general overview and understanding of environmental policy making;
- understand basic policy analysis practices and techniques and apply them in a simulation game;
- acquire academic presentation competences and negotiation experience;
- practice free presentation and argumentation;
- improve language skills through active communication in English.

b)

- To provide students with applications context for the various elements of environmental science addressed in other courses within the IMES curriculum.
- To assist students in understanding how international and national policies on environmental issues are developed and implemented.
- To provide students with understanding of how the private sector, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations recognize and address their environmental obligations
- To enable students to recognize the important elements of an organization's environmental performance and to understand how such performance is measured, improved, and reported to stakeholders

3 Contents:

a) Environmental issues and stresses are among the most pressing challenges of our times. As concerns over degradation of ecosystems, pollution, loss of biodiversity, climate change or extreme weather events have spread. environmental policies turned central stage at global and European level. Environmental policies have yet long played a less prominent role within EU policy - making and it was only with the Single European Act of 1987 that the policy area was based on EU primary law. Before that period, environmental policies were decided based on single market related competences and treaty foundations, leading to an uncoordinated policy approach and a strong economic rationale. In present times, Environmental policies have become most complex subjects of supranational policy - making and international negotiations. Analysed through a sustainability lens, ecological, economic, Social - political, geo-political and development concerns are interlinked in this area. Globally, ideological disputes about resource dependency, environmental and social justice as well as global North - South relations frame the debate and influence EU environmental policy paradigms and approaches, especially in the field of EU Climate Action. Against this background, the course will analyse the EU's particular approaches to wards different environmental policies focusing on their conceptual characteristics, policy coherence and international embedment. It will analyse main EU environmental policies and measures as well as their overall conceptual approach. Moreover, the seminar will particularly examine the EU's role in international climate change negotiations in for a post - Kyoto legal framework. In doing so, the course takes into consideration two particular perspectives: In a cross - temporal one, it analyses the policy area's development over time. This perspective includes the analysis of European environmental policies of different temporal origin. In a cross - sectoral dimension, the seminar analyses the EU's environmental policies approach in terms of policy coherence between different policies and beyond by paying tribute to so - called 'mainstreaming aspects'.

b) This course will examine the interplay between institutions, actors, and the environment. Although including the local and regional scales, our primary focus lies at the global level, where sets of rules, actions and processes constitute what is usually referred to as "Global Environmental Governance". The stress will be on the aspect of change, such as with climate change, desertification, or loss of biodiversity, and how political systems, corporate actors as well as the public drive, are impacted upon and respond to environmental change. The course will take an inter-disciplinary approach and operate at the interface between basic and applied science. Case studies and narratives will be examined.

4 Type of Course:

Lecture, Seminar

5 Status of the Module in the Program:

Compulsory Module Choice

6 Requirements for Participation:

None

7 Type of Examination:

The dates of the combined examination will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination.

Type of examination: Paper and/or presentation. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures during the winter and summer term of this module description.

If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.

8 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:

Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).

9 Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:

	5% (6 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Dr. Umbach: Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Fakultät
	b) Dr. Alexander Follmann: Geographisches Institut der Universität zu Köln
11	Other Information
	None

Code Number: MA-IMES-B-Ma		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration: 1 Semester
		90 h	3	1. and 2. Sem.	WiSe	
1 Title and Term:		Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:		
	a) Environmental Policy and Management (WiSe)		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30	
2	Goals of Qualification: a) • To provide students with application environmental science addressed. • To assist students in understanding environmental issues are develope. • To provide students with understanding governmental and non-governmental environmental obligations. • To enable students to recognize the environmental performance and the measured, improved, and reported.			d in other courses ling how internation ped and implement tanding of how the ental organizations the important elent to understand how	within the IMES nal and national ated. private sector, a recognize and nents of an organ such performa	S curriculum. I policies on inter- address anization's

3 Contents: a) This course will examine various aspects of environmental policy and management, primarily in the U.S. It is intended to provide the IMES students with application context for much of the science covered in the IMES curriculum. The course will have both classroom and online components using Duquesne University's Blackboard® course management system. We will examine how a national environmental policy develops and various means of implementation. We will than address the environmental aspects of organizations and how those aspects dictate the driving forces for organizational activities dealing with human health and the environment. 4 Type of Course: Lecture, Seminar 5 Status of the Module in the Program: Compulsory Module Choice 6 **Requirements for Participation:** None 7 Type of Examination: The dates of the combined examination will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the examination will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Type of examination: Two of the following tasks must be completed: Written, oral or practical exam; or a combination. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures during the winter and summer term of this module description. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted. 8 **Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:** Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0). 9 **Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:** 2,5% (3 LP) 10 Person in Charge: a) Edward C. Moretti - Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences -Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.

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11	Other Information
	None

Basi	c Module	Module: Anthropology						
Code Number: MA-IMES-B-Anth		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term: 1. and 2. Sem.	Frequency: WiSe/SoSe	Duration: 2 Semester		
		180 h						
1	Title:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:		
	a) Introduction to Human and Env. Relations		2 SWS/30 h	60 h	30			
	b) Basic Concepts of Research in Hazard, Vulnerability, Risk and Risk Management		2 SWS/30 h	60 h	30			
2		als of Qualification:						

2 Goals of Qualification:

a)

- To get an overview over recent approaches to the relationship between humans and their natural environment from a cultural studies perspective
- To exemplify the interconnectedness between nature and culture
- To demonstrate how cultural studies can complement and enrich environmental sciences and how the natural and social sciences interact

3

Contents:

- a) The aim of this lecture is to show the extent to which current Western views of the African environment, and views on the role of "traditional" society in its preservation or change, have been shaped by an uncritical adaptation of earlier approaches (from the 19th and 20th century). The lecture deals with early evolutionist and diffusionist thinking as well as with the emergence of colonial tropical sciences which altogether created an epistemological basis for the analysis of man-environment relations in Africa in the latter part of the 19th and early part of the 20th century. Moreover, the impact of globalization and the emergence of large international organisations (such as the UNEP or UNICEF) on human-environment research in Africa will be assessed.
- b) The seminar aims at introducing and explaining the key concepts (hazard, vulnerability, risk, risk management) and at discussing their role in science as well as in the humanities when looking at man-environment-dynamics. Students shall be introduced to concepts and research traditions in a concentrated manner, in order to understand the viewpoint of each discipline on the respective concepts. Taking examples from rural and urban populations and from a wide variety of socioeconomic situations students will learn how to assess vulnerability and resilience.

	They will be introduced to the manifold ways in which people attempt to manage risks and will learn to understand that these individually rational approaches to risk do not always result in sustainability and development at the community level.
4	Type of Course:
	Lecture, Seminar
5	Status of the Module in the Program:
	Compulsory Module Choice
6	Requirements for Participation:
	None
7	Type of Examination:
	The dates of the exam will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination.
	Type of examination: (combined examination) Written paper and oral presentation. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures (a and b) of this module description.
	If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the grading in the final grade
	5% (6 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) N.N., Institute of Ethnology – University of Cologne
11	Other Information
	None

Basic	: Module	e: Education				
Code Numb		Workload: Credi		redit Term: oints:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IME	MES-B-Edu 180 h 6		1. and 2. Sem.	WiSe/SoSe	2 Semester	
1	Title ar	nd Term:		Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:
	1	sic aspects of ention (WiSe)	nvironmental	2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30
	b) Dida	actics of excursi	ions (SoSe)	2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30
2	Goals of Qualification: a) and b) The students get an overver environmental education. Interdestrongly emphasised (for example water research, geography and the end of winter term: Examinate excursions. At the end of summown excursion.		s get an overviucation. Interdi sed (for examp eography and term: Examina	sciplinary coope ole: biology and obiology: climate tion. Participants	ration of natura chemistry work change and ve s are prepared	al sciences is together for getation). At to organize
3	Contents: a) b) The module consists of two parts: A theoretical introduction (Winter-term) and a practical part dealing mainly with didactics of excursions (Summer-term). a) Basic aspects of environmental education (Winter-term): Basic aspects of education, basic aspects of environmental education with special emphasis of botany, zoology, ecology and geography. Environmental issues and the public Environmental experiments in biology and physics – much more interesting as the pure theory! Project-teaching. Team-teaching. b) Didactics of excursions (Summer-term): Theoretical introduction, participation in at least two excursions (Environmental themes), planning and organizing of one full-day excursion for students from the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. Evaluation report.					mer-term). sic aspects of emphasis on and the public. eresting as the emphasis as the emphasis on an anizing of one
4	Type of Course: Lecture, Seminar					
5	Status	of the Module	•	m:		
6	Requir	ements for Pa	rticipation:			
	None					

7	Type of Examination:
	The dates of the exam will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Type of examination: Combined examination: Presentation and a written protocol. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures of this module description. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above
	mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	5% (6 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Prof. Dr. Hans Georg Edelmann, Seminar für Biologie und ihre Didaktik
11	Other Information:
	None

Basic	asic Module: Geographic Information Systems						
Coad Number: MA-IMES-B-GIS		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:	
				2. Sem.	SoSe	2 Semester	
1	Title: a) Spatial Environmental Methods		ntal Methods	Contact Time: 2 SWS / 30 h	Self-study: 60 h	Size:	
2	Goals of Qualification: a) Understanding of the principles of and presentation.			spatial data con	cepts, handling	, analysis	

3	Contents:
	a) In this lecture, the IMES students get an introduction to the basic concepts and methods of spatial data handling, management, analysis, and presentation by using GIS. The lecture bases on the Virtual Campus Course "Introduction into ArcGIS, Part I" provided by ESRI. So, the students also learn how to use the GIS-Software ArcGIS and how to handle ESRI"s spatial data formats like shape files, coverages, geodatabases, and grids.
4	Type of Course:
	Lecture, Seminar, Computer Laboratory
5	Status of the Module in the Program:
	Compulsory Module in the IMES-Program
6	Requirements for Participation
	None
7	Type of Examination:
	The dates of the examination will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Type of examination: Combined examination: Computer based GIS project and exam. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures of this module description. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	2,5% (3 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Prof. Dr. Georg Bareth, Universität zu Köln - Geographisches Institut
11	Other Information

Basic	c Module	: Introduction	to Environme	ental Statistics				
Coad		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:		
MA-IME Sta	ES-B-Intro-	90 h	2	1. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester		
1	Title:		Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:			
	a) Stati	stics		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30		
2	Studer	of Qualification of Shall have a collity statistics)		ng of basic statist	ic methods. (De	escriptive and		
3	Conte	nts:						
		•		anding of statistic		ich are		
4	Type o	f Course:						
	Lecture	and Computer	based work					
5	Status of the Module in the Program:							
	Compu	Isary Module ir	the IMES-Pro	gram				
6	Requir	ements for Pa	rticipation:					
	None	None						
7	Type o	f Examination	:					
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	Type of examination: Exam. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures of this module description							
	above	mentioned exa	mination, othe	the students, agro r assessments, w can be conducte	hich must be	s the		

	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	2,5 % (3 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Dr. Reamer – Institute of Geography, University of Cologne
11	Other Information:
	None:

Coad Number: MA-IMES-B-Intro- Che		Workload:	: Credit Term: Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration: 1 Semester
		90 h	2	1. Sem.	WiSe	
1	Title:	Title:		Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:
	a) Chei	mistry		2 SWS / 30 h	60 h	30
	scientif	ic work in the fi		anding of chemis ental sciences.	try which are re	elevant for the
3	Conte	nts:				
3	The first chemis undergubalance acid-bathese continues the second chemis	st part of the lectry, namely the oes. The emphase of chemical reactions as concepts are the	composition and asis is on an underactions, reactions well as organion applied to undertal cycles.	some of the based properties of reporting of reporting of report in the content of the content o	matter and the of eaction yield, en nical equilibrium ne second part of ajor aspect of e	changes it nergy , redox & of the lecture nvironmental
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5	Status of the Module in the Program:
	Compulsary Module in the IMES-Program
6	Requirements for Participation:
	None
7	Type of Examination:
	The dates of the written examination will be announced at the start of each course by the professors in charge. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally; therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination.
	Type of examination: Exam. Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures of this module description
	If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	2,5 % (3 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	Prof. Dr. Stephan Schmitz, Wissenschaftliche Standortleitung. Fachhochschule des Mittelstandes (FHM) Tec Rheinland
11	Other Information:
	None:

Supp	Supplementary Work Shops: a) Soft Skills b) Science Communication					
Coad Numb		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
Tba				1-4 Sem.	WiSe/SoSe	1-4 Semester
1	,	rcultural training sentation and w	•	Contact Time	Self-study	Size 30

2	Goals of qualification:
	a) The courses have the goal to improve the ability of students to present complex topics and to create presentations in an adequate way.
	If necessary, intercultural training will be offered to the students.
	b) The scientific writing skills of students will be improved.
3	Contents:
4	Type of Course
	Lecture, Seminar
5	Status of the Module in the Program:
	Compulsory additionally offered workshops
6	Requirements for Participation
	None
7	Type of Examination:
	Active Participation
8	Requirements for allocation of credit points:
	No credits will be allocated
9	Significance of the grading in the final grade
	-
10	Person in Charge:
	Prof. Dr. Kirk Junker, Universität zu Köln – Lehrstuhl für US-amerikanisches Recht
11	Other Information
	Workshops may be offered through collaboration partner, M.Sc. Science Communication Program, Dublin City University.

2.2 Advanced Modules

Integrated Advanced Module in Environmental Sciences						
Coad Numb		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IME	S-A-GIS	180 h	6	3. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester
1 Courses		Contact Time	Self-study	Size		

	a) tba	60	120	30				
	a) toa	00	120	30				
2	Goals of Qualification:							
	Based on the knowledge of the first two terms, students shall analyses concrete							
	problems from a social and natural science perspective. Therefore, the course will be a synthesis of natural and social sciences and highlight interlink ages between							
	the different fields.	. 00.01.000 a.ra r.i.g	,g	agoo bottioon				
	Students will be taught by professor	ors who have a na	tural and social	science				
	background.							
3	Contents:							
	The course will cover concrete env	•						
	be asked to analyze a problem bas	sed on a illerature	review and pro	pose solutions.				
4	Type of Course:							
	Seminar							
5	Status of the Module in the Progr	am:						
	Mandatory Module in the IMES-Pro	gram						
6	Requirements for Participation:							
	Finalizing the first two terms with the	e required 60 cred	it points.					
7	Type of Examination:							
	Requirements for participation in th		d continuous					
	participation throughout the semes The dates of the exam of each cou		onic 1 of this m	odule				
	description) will be announced at the	` •	•					
	the exam will be simultaneous with	the start of the ex	am. Re-examin	ations will				
	also be announced orally, therefore choose other types of examination.		arge of the mod	ule can				
	Examiners: Teachers of the module							
	Type of examination: Written, oral	•		•				
	examination: the contents of the led grading of the module is calculated	•	•					
	are assigned to this module.			G. SOO WINOII				
	If both, the professor in charge and	_						
	mentioned examination, other assessed study regulation, can be conducted		nust be consiste	ent with the				
8	Requirements for Allocation of C							
	Credit points are allocated when ex		module parts ha	ave been				

	successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	5% (6 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) tba
11	Other Information
	None

	vanced Module: Atmosphere					
redit Term:	Frequency:	Duration:				
3. 8	Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester			
Co	ntact Time	Self-study	Size			
ner g))	240	30			
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to work within the above mentioned topics during later stages. These cover for example:

- Special methods of measurement (e.g. precipitation networks, evaporation)
- Available meteorological data on different scales
- Data analyses of observational and simulated data
- Presentation of data with the aid of Geographical Information Systems
- Simulation tools (diagnostic and prognostic) for different atmospheric phenomena

Multidisciplinary: Special emphasis is put on application oriented work, on meteorological impacts and on the links to other disciplines, e.g. to hydrology, biosphere, medicine, economy and spatial environmental methods.

Structure of the modules: The expenditure of time for each module corresponds to six weeks and can be arranged at any time during the semester. The modules consist mainly of non-tutored courses with problem oriented self paced learning. One day of the week (suggestion: preferably Friday) tutored sessions will be given, mainly to cover multidisciplinary aspects; these tutored sessions are also part of other modules (e.g. of hydrology). Weekly weather briefings during that day will ensure application oriented aspects.

Within the module, the students will take part in a Scientific Writing program and a project management training course.

4 Type of Course:

a, c, d) Seminar/Practical; b) Lecture/Seminar

5 Status of the Module in the Program:

Compulsory Module Choice

6 Requirements for Participation:

Successful participation in the basic module Atmosphere

7 Type of Examination:

Requirements for participation in the exam: active and continuous participation throughout the semester

The dates of the exam of each course (according to topic 1 of this module description) will be announced at the start of each course. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally, here fore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination.

Examiners: Teachers of the module.

Type of examination: a) Written Exam.

Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures description. Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the arithmetic mean of the courses which are assigned to this module.

8 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:

Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been

	successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade: 10% (12 LP)
10	Person in Charge: a) Prof. Dr. Yaping Shao, Universität zu Köln - Institut für Geophysik und Meteorologie
11	Other Information None

Coad Number:Workload: Points:Credit Points:MA-IMES-A-Bio360 h12		Term:	Frequency:	Duration: 1 Semester		
		3. Sem.	WiSe			
1	Microb	Applied issues of Aquatic and crobial Ecology Interactions between Eukaryotic Microorganisms		Contact Time: 120	Self-study: 240	Size:
2	•	understand the learn to addres	hniques of ecolo e role of organisn ss environmental ientific literature	ns in the func problems us	nvironmental tech tioning of ecosys ing biological thin results in written a	tems king
3	ecolog ecosys These	odule Biospher y and in bio- e stems including practical (labo	nvironmental tec microorganisms ratory and field w etical framework	hnology of ac s (bacteria an vork) are acco of the practic	cal in basic and a juatic and terresti d algae), plants a ompanied by lecti al and a seminar	ial nd animals. ıres

Methods, Results, Discussion, References) will be prepared by each student (about 20 pages) and handed in for grading.

The following aspects will predominantly be addressed during the course:

- Applied Issues of Aquatic and Microbial Ecology (selected topics such as limnology of lakes and rivers, drinking water reservoirs, Cologne water works and drinking water supply, wastewater treatment, water quality monitoring,, nature conservation, fish ecology, Ecological Rhine station of the University, Ecological Field Station in the inundation area of the Lower Rhine)
- Interactions between Eukaryotic Microorganisms Competition and Consumption (Laboratory microcosms will be used to manipulate the supply of resources (nutrients, light) and the presence of consumers (ciliates, rotifers) and to measure the response of microalgae assemblages. Goals are to handle aquatic microorganism, and to understand the fundamental role of biotic interactions for the structure of ecological communities.

The module will be offered during the first 6 weeks of the semester in a compact form. The course includes a one week field study (October 18- October 22, 2004) at the Ecological Field Station of the Zoological Institute in Rees-Grietherbusch, Lower Rhine Valley. Within the module, the students will take part in a Scientific Writing program and a project management training course.

4 Type of Course:

Seminar, Lecture and Internship

5 Status of the Module in the Program:

Compulsory Module Choice

6 Requirements for Participation:

Successful participation in the basic module Biosphere

7 Type of Examination:

Requirements for participation in the exam: active and continuous participation throughout the semester

The dates of the exam of each course will be announced at the start of each course. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally, here fore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination.

Examiners: Teachers of the module.

Type of examination: scientific protocol (60%), oral presentation (40%). Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures according to topic 5 of this module description Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the arithmetic mean of the courses which are assigned to this module.

8 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:

Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been

	successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade
	10% (12 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Prof. Dr. Arndt, Universität zu Köln - Zoologisches Institut
	b) Prof. Dr. Hillebrand, Universität zu Köln - Botanisches Institut
11	Other Information:
	None

Coa	d nber	Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IN	/IES-A-Geo	360 h	12	3. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester
1	Courses: a) Geophysics		Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size: 10	
2		s of Qualificati		asurament tach	niques	
3	 Learn about geophysical meas Learn about geophysical mode Learn about geological interpr Scientific talk and writing a sci Contents:			deling retation of geophysical data		
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Week 3: Direct current resistivity method:

- -lecture by the students about the principles, the data interpretation, related interdisciplinary case histories, and about the demonstration of the geophysical device
- -Discussion about the lecture
- -Geophysical field measurements close to Cologne
- -Interpretation of data using the modeling software during the next two weeks

Week 5: Magnetic methods

-the same time schedule and structure as week 3-

Week 7. Georadar technique

-the same time schedule and structure as week 3-

Week 9: Seismic methods

-the same time schedule and structure as week 3-

Week 11: Radiomagnetotellurics

-the same time schedule and structure as week 3-

Within the module, the students will take part in a Scientific Writing program and a project management training course.

4 Type of Course:

Seminar and Internship

5 Status of the Module in the Program:

Compulsory Module Choice

6 Requirements for Participation:

Successful participation in the basic module Atmosphere

7 Type of Examination:

Requirements for participation in the exam: active and continuous participation throughout the semester

The dates of the exam of each course will be announced at the start of each course. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Re-examinations will also be announced orally, here fore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination.

Examiners: Teachers of the module.

Type of examination: scientific protocol and presentation

Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures description Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the weighted mean of the courses which are assigned to this module.

8 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:

Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).

9 Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:

10% (12 LP)

10	Person in Charge:
	a) Prof. Dr. Bülent Tezkan, Universität zu Köln - Institut für Geophysik und Meteorologie
11	Other Information:
	None

Coad Number:		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency	Duration:
MA-IMES-A- Hydro		360 h	12	3. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester
1	Courses: a) Seminar: Topics of Hydrology and Water Resources Management b) Practical: Methods in Physical Hydrology c) Research seminar		Contact Time: a) 2 SWS/30 h b) 4 SWS/60 h c) 2 SWS/30 h	a) 60 h b) 120 h c) 60 h	Size: 10	
2		•		ntly work out the		

- the competence to evaluate and scientific results from literature;
- the competence to design and compose own scientific papers;
- the competence to present research results on a specific topic of hydrology or water resources management in an oral presentation and in a written paper;
- apply field-based or computer-based methods for problem solving in hydrology or water resources management;
- define and organize a research project against the background of a given task in hydrology or water resources management;
- develop a time schedule, identify the appropriate research methods and approaches, provide the required data either by measurement or from available other sources;
- analyse and present their results as a written report.

3 Contents:

a) Seminar: Topics of Hydrology

Students learn to know the state of the art of research of specific topics of hydrology or water resources management by means of scientific literature on the specific topic. By independently developing and performing an oral presentation and a scientific paper as well as discussing the works of the other participants, the students learn about state of the knowledge as well as methodological knowledge of scientific working. The different topics prepared by the students will provide an overview on the state of the art of research of hydrology or water resources management. The intensive work on scientific literature is preliminary.

b) Practical: Methods of Physical Hydrology

The practical combines aspects of problem analysis, organisation of own work, specific methodological approaches in hydrology, as well as methods of data analysis. The course prepares students to independently work on scientific hydrological problems. The methods can either be field-based methods (e.g. measurement techniques of water fluxes) or computer based methods (e.g. hydrological Modelling, GIS and remote sensing approaches).

c) Research seminar:

This seminar aims at students planning to write their master's thesis in Hydrology. This seminar serves as a discussion forum for the research done in the course of the master's thesis.

4 Type of Course:

Seminar, Practical

5 Status of the Module in the Program:

Compulsory Module Choice

6 Requirements for Participation:

Successful participation in the basic module Geosphere II

7 Type of Examination:

Requirements for participation in the exam: active and continuous participation throughout the semester.

Examiners: Teachers of the module.

Type of examination: term paper (50%), oral presentation (25%), protocol of the practical work (25%). Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures description Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the weighted mean of the courses which are assigned to this module.

8 Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:

Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).

9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade
	10% (12 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Prof. Dr. Karl Schneider, Geographisches Institut
11	Other Information
	None

Coad Numl		Workload: Credit Points:		Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IM Law	ES-A-	360 h	12	3. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester
1	Courses: a) Biodiversity Law b) Law Field Work b) European Environmental Law c) Law of Climate Change d) Transboundary Water Conflict		Contact Time: 120	Self-study: 240	Size:	
	 Goals of Qualification: Learn basic legal research t Learn to analyse secondary Learn to incorporate law into Learn to incorporate law into Learn the borders between I practice. 		literature agai social science natural science	nst the primary so e field work metho ce field work meth	ources of law. ods. nods.	
3	Contents: Content will vary according to the course on offer that particular semester. course variation depends upon available faculty and travel opportunities for researchers. The student will research and develop a thesis in environmental law, with specific reference to the interplay of international environmental law domestic environmental law, through a case study on a topic such as the ripariarights of various countries to transboundary waters such as the Rhein, Colora Tigris or Nile Rivers, transboundary, climate change, or the management of pla or animal species through conservation, forestry, nature reserves, and other lemechanism. The students must be able to find primary sources of law and assess secondary literature that discusses the primary sources of law. Field work in the national parks of India is optional.				unities for onmental ental law and the riparian in, Colorado, ment of plant nd other legal aw and	

4	Type of Course:
	Lecture, field work and combinations of the two.
5	Status of the Module in the Program:
	Compulsory Module Choice
6	Requirements for Participation:
	Students must have completed both courses in the basic Environmental Law module. Students who select a course with a field work component are required to participate in all classroom and lecture components at the field site before, during and after entering the national park or nature reserve.
7	Type of Exam:
	Requirements for the participation in the examination are active and continuous participation throughout the semester. The dates of the exam of each course (according to topic 1 of this module description) will be announced at the start of each course. The enrollment for the exam will be enrollment in the course on the first day of semester. Re-examinations will be available according to the IMES study regulations.
	Examiners: Teachers of the module. Type of examination: Students will submit an original and independent research report during the examination period at the end of the semester. The specifics will be determined by the course offered, as follows: a) scientific protocol (40%), oral presentation (20%), documented bibliography (40%).
	 b) If field work is included, it shall constitute half of the scientific protocol from (a), and an oral presentation in the field for all 20% of (a). Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures description. c) d) and e) will be examined by an original and independent research report
	during the examination period at the end of the semester. The specifics will be determined by the course offered.
	Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the weighted mean of the courses which are assigned to this module. If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	10% (12 LP)
10	Person in Charge:

a) Prof. Dr. Kirk Junker, Universität zu Köln – Department of Us-american law
b) Prof. Dr. Shamita Kumar, Bharati Vidyapeeth University, Pune, India.
Other Information:
None

Coa	d nber:	Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
	MES-A-Ma	360 h	12	3. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester
1	Courses: a) Environmental Policy and Management		Contact Time: 120	Self-study: 240	Size:	
2	Goals of Qualification: Students will achieve: 1. An understanding of various environmental management system instruments and how they can be applied in different management situations, 2. How the environmental aspects of an organization can create to how those risks are assessed and managed, 3. An understanding of corporate decision making taking environmental aspects into consideration, 4. How environmental management fits into the context of sustain			ons, on can create busi aking environmer	ness risks and ntal, social, and	
3	Contents: This module concentrates on environmental and sustainability management systems and instruments. The students shall define their own projects in this research field and work on the relevant contents by doing a comprehensive literature research as well as writing a research paper. If the students don't have a specific topic yet, case studies and/or projects will be provided by the lecturer.				s in this ensive s don't have a	
	Type of Course					
4		e, Seminar				

	Compulsory Module Choice
6	Requirements for Participation:
	Successful participation in the basic module Environmental Policy and Management
7	Type of Exam:
	Requirements for participation in the exam: active and continuous participation throughout the semester
	The dates of the exam of each course (according to topic 1 of this module description) will be announced at the start of each course. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Reexaminations will also be announced orally, therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Examiners: Teachers of the module. Type of examination: paper (60%), report (40%).
	Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures description Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the weighted mean of the courses which are assigned to this module.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	10% (12 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) a) Edward C. Moretti - Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences - Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.
11	Other Information:

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Coac Num	-	Workload: er:	Credit Terms Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:		
MA-IN	MES-A-Pol	360 h	12	3. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester		
1	Courses:			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:		
	A and	Collective class sessions (contents A and B) and individual supervision (content C).			240	6		
2	Goals	of Qualification	on:					
	the basic modules of Political Ecology provide advanced and in-depth knowl know-how and best practice examples write a thesis using social science per Individual research topics and "mini-p peer-reviewed, and the authoring of te			edge in two spe s of how to cond spectives and r rojects" will be i	cific areas. In acceptualize and s nethods will be dentified, develo	ddition, uccessfully discussed.		
3	Conte	Contents:						
	B. In-de 1. Mode their inf environ 2. Resi Urban	to conceptualize and successfully write a thesis. B. In-depth thematic areas: 1. Modes of global environmental governance: 1.1. New and emerging actors and their influence and power; 1.2. Legitimacy and accountability in global environmental governance; 1.3. New fora and networks. 2. Resilience of coupled socio-ecological systems: 2.1. Marine ecosystems; 2.2. Urban systems. C. Development and review of individual research topics.						
4	Type of Course							
	Lecture	e, Seminar						
5	Status	Status of the Module in the Program:						
	Compulsory Module Choice							
6	Requir	Requirements for Participation:						
	Successful participation in the basic module Environmental Politics							
7	Type of Exam:							
	Requirements for participation in the exam: active and continuous participation throughout the semester The dates of the exam of each course (according to topic 1 of this module description) will be announced at the start of each course. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Reexaminations will also be announced orally, therefore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination.							

	Examiners: Teachers of the module. Type of examination: project work (60%), presentation/report (40%).
	Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures description Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the weighted mean of the courses which are assigned to this module.
	If both, the professor in charge and the students, agree on another as the above mentioned examination, other assessments, which must be consistent with the study regulation, can be conducted.
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	10% (12 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Matthias Garschagen, Associate Academic Officer, United Nations University
11	Other Information:
	None

Adva	Advanced Module: Environmental Spatial Methods					
Coad Number:		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
MA-IMES-A-GIS		360 h	12	3. Sem.	WiSe	1 Semester
1	Courses: a) GIS application in soil science b) GIS application in hydrology c) GIS applications in urban planning		Contact Time: 120	Self-study: 240	Size: 10	
2	 Goals of Qualification: Application of GIS in environmental and urban studies Learning about data sources, special processing techniques and integration of GIS and spatial models Report writing techniques 					

3 Contents:

This module will cover aspects of GIS use and data analysis in social as well as natural sciences. The module will cover three sections: Urban studies, soil sciences and hydrology. A focus of this course will be on learning advanced data analysis techniques in these different disciplines. Building upon the basic GIS techniques learned in in introductory course, this course will focus on providing information for decision makers and planners. The main workload of the module is occupied by self paced, problem based learning. A general problem statement will be used to identify a scientific research task. This research task will be addressed based upon suitable literature, textbooks and internet resources. The teaching staff assumes the role of a tutor, moderating the course rather than providing lectures.

The urban studies section will cover the following issues under the general heading of "Spatial

social segregation in global cities – Examplified by London:

- Introduction to the research issues: Readings of the relevant literature regarding "Global Cities" (esp. GaWC-Group, Friedman, Sassen); Identification and elaboration of the scientific problem.
- 2. Formulation of a research hypothesis
- 3. Development and justification of an solution approach to quantify segregation; Choice of suitable variables / parameters as well as spatial reference systems.
- 4. Data acquisition (Geometry, Attributes), Generation of a GIS, applying / developing suitable scripts
- 5. Conduction and analysis of research
- 6. Presentation of results (tables, graphs, maps)
- 7. Interpretation of results and comparison with literature.

The hydrology section will cover the use of GIS for flood modeling and prediction. The following aspects are covered:

- 1. Processing techniques of digital elevation data are investigated (Delineation od watersheds and streams),
- 2. hydrologic data base (land use, soils, DEM)
- 3. modeling soil water balance with GIS
- 4. modeling surface water balance (ET, Runoff)

The soil science section will cover the use of GIS for capturing, editing, analyzing and visualizing spatial soil data. The following aspects are covered:

- 1. Why are spatial soil data important?
- 2. Vector versus raster data models for soil analysis
- 3. Availability of soil data
- 4. Relief analysis
- 5. Disaggregation of existing soil maps
- 6. GIS-based soil mapping

Within the module, the students will take part in a Scientific Writing program and a project management training course.

4 Type of Course:

Tutorial and Internship

5	Status of the Module in the Program:		
	Compulsory Module Choice		
6	Requirements for Participation:		
	Successful participation in the basic module Environmental Spatial Methods		
7	Type of Exam:		
	Requirements for participation in the exam: active and continuous participation throughout the semester		
	The dates of the exam of each course (according to topic 1 of this module description) will be announced at the start of each course. The enrollment for the exam will be simultaneous with the start of the exam. Reexaminations will also be announced orally, here fore the person in charge of the module can choose other types of examination. Examiners: Teachers of the module. Type of examination: two short (25% each) and a long (50%) paper.		
	Subject of examination: the contents of the lectures description. Grading of the module: the grading of the module is calculated as the weighted mean of the courses which are assigned to this module.		
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:		
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the module parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).		
9	Significance of the Grading in the final Grade:		
	10% (12 LP)		
10	Person in Charge:		
	a) Prof. Dr. Georg Bareth, Universität zu Köln – Geographisches Institut		
11	Other Information:		
	None		

Advanced Module: Internship					
Code Number:	Workload: 360	Credit Points:	Term: Flexible	Frequency: NA	Duration: Min. 8 Wochen
1	Title		Contact Time:	Self-Study:	Size:

2 Goals of Qualification: The students will be able to: gain practical experience outside the University of Cologne, through an internship of at least 8 weeks. apply and develop their academic knowledge and acquired skills through the internship. gain a realistic view regarding practical and applied profiles in the environmental sciences sector. 3 Content **Environmental Sciences** 4 Type of Course: Internship 5 Requirements of Participation: Completion of 60 Credits of Basic Modules. 6 Type of Examination: The requirements for assessment would be in accordance with the requirements of the supervisor from the University of Cologne responsible for supervising the internship module. The tasks below represent possible assessment forms. It is in the competence of the tutor to select the amount of tasks. The tasks can be changed depending on the nature of the internship: Writing: Technical writing: One protocol of your internship focusing on an introduction of the institutional/NGO frame you were working in; people met including their tasks and positions; activities, undertaken including the content, aim, timeframe of work; policy areas touched upon; skills acquired; insight into institutional practice and NGO Network obtained; etc. (you will receive a more detailed template for this). Academic writing: One academic paper of up to 10 pages on a topic based on your internship and policy preferences A publication related to the internship. Policy-oriented and strategic writing: Policy briefs including policy recommendations on topics related to the internship and based on the policy preferences. Conceptualisation of Expert Hearings: Please conceptualise expert hearings on two different topics with three experts per topic to be involved. The conceptualisation of each hearing should include: rationale of the hearing; key actors to be invited and their institutional profiles; key experts to be invite and the academic profiles; topic and the questions to be discuss; expected evidence as the outcome of the hearing; ways to promote the results of the hearing. Interview techniques: One in-depth expert interview on a topic related to the internship and based on the policy preferences; this includes the development of a questionnaire and a written protocol of the interview, plus a summary about the most important things you learned from the interview.

Media campaigning: A Twitter campaign based on the content of the policy briefs

Multimedia:

	in order to promote it as a publication and its outreach to key target groups; consisting of a description of the target group, conceptualisation of the core line of argumentation of the campaign; identification of the media used (photos, links); formulation of 10 tweets for the campaign.
	Presentation:
	 Based on the papers, students shall present a topic during a lecture. The presentation shall incldude social and natural science elemets.
7	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Submission of an internship certificate and fulfillment of all other internship requirements. The internship should have been registered with a supervisor from the University of Cologne, before commencement of work.
8	Signification of the Grading in the Final Grade:
	12 CP (10%)
9	Person in Charge: Dr. Umbach and any of the Lecturers involved in the IMES degree programme.
10	Other Information:
	Language: English

2.3 Master Thesis

Master Thesis/Master Colloquium						
Code Number:		Workload:	Credit Points:	Term:	Frequency:	Duration:
Ma-IMES-Thesis		900 h	30	4. Sem.	WiSe/SoSe	1 Semester
1	Courses: a) Master Thesis b) Master Colloquium			Contact Time:	Self-study:	Size:
2	Goals of Qualification: Students will achieve the ability to work on complex scientific problems independently. A successful master thesis must match scientific standards and an adequate level of written skills.					
3	Contents:					
4	Type of Course:					
5	Status of the Module in the Program:					

MODULHANDBUCH - IMES - 1-FACH-MASTER OF SCIENCE

	Mandatory Module in the IMES-Program
6	Requirements for Participation:
	Students must have successfully completed semester 1,2 and 3 of the IMES program
7	Type of Course:
8	Requirements for Allocation of Credit Points:
	Credit points are allocated when examinations of the parts have been successfully completed with the minimum grade sufficient (4.0).
9	Significance of the Grading in the final Grade:
	25% (30 LP)
10	Person in Charge:
	a) Master Thesis Supervisor
11	Other Information:
	None

3. Studienhilfen

3.1. Exemplarischer Studienverlaufsplan IMES:

1. und 2. Semester

1. Semester	2. Semester	Credits (1. und 2. Semester)
Pflicht:		
Introduction to Env. Sciences (inkl. Exkursionen) - Pflicht	Exkursionen	6 Credits
Gewählt:		
Meteorology	Meteorology	6 Credits
Ecology	Ecology	6 Credits
	Environmental Economics	6 Credits
Education	Education	6 Credits
Environmental Law	Environmental Law	6 Credits
Geosphere	Geosphere	6 Credits
Environmental Medicine	Environmental Medicine	6 Credits
Environmental Management		3 Credits
Hydrology		3 Credits
	GIS	3 Credits
Introduction to Environmental Statistics		3 Credits
		Ergibt insgesamt: 60 Credits

Alternativ können auch folgende Module gewählt werden:

Atmospheric Chemistry (1 Semester – 6 Credits)

Environmental Politics (1-2 Semester – 6 Credits)

Anthropology (1-2 Semester – 6 Credits)

Environmental Sociology (1 Semester – 3 Credits)

Introduction to Environmental Chemistry (1 Semester – 3 Credit Points)

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3. Semester

Pflicht:	
Integrated Advanced Module in Environmental Sciences	6 Credits
Gewählt:	
Atmosphere	12 Credits
Environmental Law	12 Credits
	Ergibt insgesamt: 30 Credits

Alternativ können auch folgende Module gewählt werden:

Biosphere (12 Credits)

Geosphere (12 Credits)

Hydrosphere (12 Credits)

Environmental Policy & Management (12 Credits)

Political Ecology & Environmental Governance (12 Credits)

Environmental Spatial Methods (12 Credits)

4. Semester

Pflicht:	
Erarbeitung der Masterthesis mit anschließender mündlicher Verteidigung	30 Credits
	Ergibt insgesamt: 30 Credits

3.2 Fach- und Prüfungsberatung

Fachstudienberatung:

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3.3 Weitere Informations- und Beratungsangebote

Homepage des Studiengangs und des Lehrstuhls für US-amerikanisches Recht

- http://www.imes.uni-koeln.de/
- http://www.us-recht.jura.uni-koeln.de

Zentrale Studienberatung der Universität zu Köln

Studierenden Service Center Universitätsstr. 22a 50937 Köln 0221 470-1021

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Daneben stehen den Studierenden an der Universität zu Köln weitere Beratungsangebote zur Verfügung, von denen die wichtigsten in der folgenden Tabelle aufgelistet sind:

Studierendensekretariat	Fragen zur Einschreibung, Rückmeldung etc.
Kölner Studentenwerk	Soziale Aspekte im Zusammenhang mit dem Studium
ASTA	Studierendenvertretung
Rektoratsbeauftragter für Menschen mit Behinderung	Studieren mit Behinderung
Akademisches Auslandsamt	Studieren mit Migrationshintergrund
Zentrale Gleichstellungsbeauftragte	Vereinbarkeit von Familie und Studium, Sexualisierte Diskriminierung

Annex – Kooperation mit der TH Köln

Im Rahmen der Kooperation mit der TH Köln (Institute for Technology and Resources Management in the Tropics and Subtropics) können Kurse aus dem Angebot des Institutes während des dritten Semesters belegt werden. Diese Kurse können ein Modul während der Spezialisierung im dritten Semester ersetzen (12 Leistungspunkte). Die hier beschriebenen Kurse stehen beispielhaft für ein sehr breites Kursangebot. In Einzelfällen kann es zu Restriktionen bei der Kurswahl durch die TH Köln kommen (Bsp. Erforderliche Vorkenntnisse sind nicht vorhanden)