University of Zurich

Modules in English for Inbound Exchange Students in the Autumn Semester 2024

- Inbound exchange students should always contact their UZH study coordinators to discuss their module choices.
- <u>In addition</u> to booking modules from their own study subjects, inbound exchange students are allowed to book certain modules from other subjects as well.
- Should students need more ECTS Credits in general or are interested in booking a module from another study subject, they can add a few modules from this list.
- Please only book modules that correspond with your study level (i.e. BA-level students only book BA-level modules and MA-level students only book MA-level modules).
- **Please note that pass/fail modules are never graded, which means that you will not receive a grade on the UZH transcript of records.**

This list contains two types of modules (indicated in table below):

Type A: Modules that were created especially for inbound exchange students (open to BA and/or MA level students)
These modules are open to any students from the respective study level (BA and/or MA) and no previous knowledge is needed at all.
Please scroll down for the flyers with more information on these special modules and on how to book them.

Type B: Modules from the regular study program of UZH departments that are also open to inbound students from other subjects
Some departments at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences have agreed to open some regular modules to inbound exchange students from other subjects. Since these modules are part of the regular study program of a department, for some of them, previous knowledge might be beneficial. Please have a look at the course description in the course catalogue to find out what the module is about and what is expected from the students (copy-paste the module number into the course catalog search form: https://studentservices.uzh.ch/uzh/anonym/vvzsearch/?sap-language=EN&sap-ui-language=EN#/SearchSM/2024/003).

Information on module booking, as well as booking and cancellation deadlines can be found here:
https://www.students.uzh.ch/en/studyadmin/booking.html

Please note that booking modules yourself may lead to problems. For exchange and visiting students, the pre-booking option is the best and safest option.

Please be aware that the **pre-booking deadline is on 5 August 2024**, which means that your main subject coordinator must have approved the modules by then. Make sure to contact your main subject coordinator early on!

Study Subject	Study level (BA = Bachelor; MA = Master)	Module number	Course Type	Module title (Course Number and Title, if applicable)	Graded OR pass/fail	ECTS Credits	Module type	How to book the module
English	BA & MA	06SM440l006	Colloquium	Zurich's Global Revolutionaries, 1890-1960	graded	3	A	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l040	Seminar	Science, Technology, and Society	graded	6	A	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l039	Seminar	Enemies of Thought: Stupidity, Nonsense, and Bullshitting	graded	6	A	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Chinese Studies	BA & MA	06SM280l308	Lecture	Spotlights on the History of Philological Knowledge in China	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Communication and Media Science	BA	06SM254l063	Lecture	Climate Change Communication	graded	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Communication and Media Science	BA	06SM254l062	Lecture	Gender & the Internet	graded	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Communication and Media Science	MA	06SM254l512	Lecture	Privacy in a Digital Society	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Communication and Media Science	MA	06SM254l513	Lecture	Youth and Digital Technologies	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Computer Linguistics / Digital Linguistics	BA	06SM521-001	Lecture with Practical Exercises & Tutorial	Einführung in die Computerlinguistik 1 (Introduction to Computer Linguistics 1)	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Computer Linguistics / Digital Linguistics	BA	06SM521-004	Lecture with Practical Exercises & Tutorial	Programmiertechniken der Computerlinguistik 1 (Computer Linguistic Programming Techniques 1)	graded	9	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Educational Science	MA	06SM226l560	Seminar	The Science of Expert Performance	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Educational Science	MA	06SM226l544	Seminar	International Research in the Vocational Education and Training sector	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Educational Science	MA	06SM226l511	Seminar	The Organisation of Economic Co- operation and Development - Transforming the Organsation, Transforming Education	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024

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English	BA & MA	06SM440l001	Lecture	The English Country House (Part I)	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
English	BA & MA	06SM440l002	Lecture	Writing Ireland: Authors, Genres, Themes	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
English	BA & MA	06SM440l003	Lecture	Language Contact in the History of English	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
English	BA & MA	06SM440l004	Lecture	Key Concepts in Sociolinguistics	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
English	BA & MA	06SM440l005	Lecture	The US Presidency in Popular Culture	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
German Studies	BA & MA	06SM360l136	Exercise	Creative Writing	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Indian Studies	BA & MA	06SM330-250	Lecture	Democracy and Citizenship in Modern India	graded	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Indian Studies	BA & MA	06SM330l262	Seminar	South Asia and its Global Diaspora	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Japanese Studies	BA & MA	06SM290l123	Exercise	Monsters, Monks, and Medieval Japanese Scrolls **(08.11.-30.11.2024, Fridays & Saturdays)**	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Japanese Studies	MA	06SM290-701	Lecture with Practical Exercises	Sozialwissenschaftliche Fachterminologie und Theorien Japans (Social Science Concepts and Theories of Japan)	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Modern Asian and Middle Eastern Studies	MA	06SM278-500	Lecture	Colonialism, Nationalism, Globalisation: Asia and the Middle East	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Modern Asian and Middle Eastern Studies	MA	06SM278l602	Seminar	Decolonizing Gender. Transcultural Perspectives	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l033	Seminar	Actions, Reasons and Explanations	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l034	Seminar	The Understanding of Machines - A Language-Focused Introduction to the Philosophy of AI	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l026	Seminar	Discrimination in Moral and Political Philosophy	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l029	Seminar	Political Ethics	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l020	Seminar	Social Acts - from Hume and Reid to Reinach, Austin & Searle	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	BA	06SM160l021	Seminar	Thomas Reid	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	MA	06SM160l524	Seminar	Naturalism and Normativity	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	MA	06SM164l506	Seminar	Reductionism and the Unity of Science	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	MA	06SM160l525	Seminar	Roderick Chisholm's Philosophical System: Metaphysics, Epistemology and Ethics	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Philosophy	MA	06SM160l523	Seminar	Crime and Punishment	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Political Science	BA	06SM615l019	Seminar	Switzerland in the Modern World: More than Cheese and Chocolate	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Political Science	BA	06SM615l017	Seminar	Sport for Development and Peace	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Romance Language Studies	BA & MA	06SM390l022	Lecture	Theories of Fiction and Fictionality	graded	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024

Slavic Studies	BA & MA	06SM480l009	Lecture	Global Narratives of Disinformation: Focus on Russia (Lecture Series; the first lecture may be held in German, the subsequent ones in English)	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Slavic Studies	MA	06SM480l503	Seminar	From Post-Soviet to Post-Truth: Eastern European Media Systems in a Comparative Perspective	graded	6	B	This module can only be booked via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024 (no pre-booking option: https://www.students.uzh.ch/en/studyadmin/booking.html
Social and Cultural Anthropology	BA & MA	06SM721l510	Lecture Series	Lecture Series in Social Anthropology Fall Semester 2024	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	BA & MA	06SM240l005	Seminar	Computational Social Science	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	BA & MA	06SM240l011	Seminar	Actor Network Theory and Material Semiotics	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	BA & MA	06SM240l017	Seminar	Märkte und Normen (Markets and Norms)	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	BA & MA	06SM240l010	Seminar	Digital Sociology	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	BA & MA	06SM240l022	Seminar	Occupational Choice and Job Mobility: Why You Work Where You Work	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	BA & MA	06SM240l014	Seminar	Ageing Societies: Challenges and Potentials	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	MA	06SM240-507	Colloquium	Current Sociological Research	pass/fail (= no grade)	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	MA	06SM240l501	Seminar	Introduction to Machine Learning for Social Sciences	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	MA	06SM240-503	Seminar	Quantitative Methoden (Quantitative Methods)	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	MA	06SM240-501	Seminar	Introduction to Life Course and Generations	graded	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	MA	06SM240-504	Seminar	Datenanalyse (Data Analysis)	pass/fail (= no grade)	6	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024
Sociology	MA	06SM240l502	Seminar	Communicating Science: Seminar on Writing Quantitative Papers	graded	3	B	Pre-booking via your main subject's stay abroad coordinator before 05.08.2024 or via the regular module booking from 14.08.2024

see next page for the flyers of the Type A modules

The University of Zurich^{UZH}

Zurich's Global Revolutionaries, 1890-1960 (Colloquium)

Lecturer: Dr. Martin Mühlheim

Course language: English

Study level: Bachelor (undergraduate) and Master (graduate)

Course number: 06SM440l006

Time / Room: Monday, 10.15–12.00 (Room t.b.a.; please check the course catalogue before the semester begins)

Course description:
"In Zurich, everything seemed in order, whereas the rest of the world seemed to be spinning out of control." (Charles Epping. *Trust*. Greenleaf Press, 2006, p. 7)

Zurich, like Switzerland in general, is often portrayed in terms that evoke a sense not only of safety, but also of boredom: clean, prosperous, neutral, and so on. And yet, several revolutionary developments of the first half of the twentieth century were in fact linked to this supposedly tranquil city on the banks of the river Limmat – developments ranging across fields as varied as literature, politics, psychology, art, and physics.

After briefly considering two earlier periods of radical change (specifically, the Zwinglian Reformation and the decades following the French Revolution), we will devote our attention to figures associated with major twentieth-century upheavals: Rosa Luxemburg and Vladimir Ilyich Lenin; C. G. Jung, Sigmund Freud, and Sabina Spielrein; Albert Einstein, Erwin Schrödinger and Wolfgang Pauli; the Dadaists, James Joyce, and Bertolt Brecht; and the anonymous gay activists of *Der Kreis*. We will study excerpts from literary texts by and about these figures, in combination with historical materials, to address questions such as: Why did these revolutionaries come to Zurich? What made their contributions so revolutionary? And what, more generally, can their work teach us about the concept of revolution and its relevance today?

Note: The course will include two site visits in Zurich (to the Cabaret Voltaire and to the James Joyce Foundation). In addition, third-party funding will be sought for two excursions: (a) to the Einsteinhaus and the Einstein Museum in Bern, and (b) to the Haus C. G. Jung in Küsnacht.

Assessment:

- *oral presentation (1/3):*
  - presentation (5–10 min, with handout) on a Zurich poem, incl. background information on the persons and/or places mentioned in the poem (max. 20 points)

- *learning portfolio (2/3):*
  - ten homework tasks (max. 2 points per task; 20 points overall)
  - two-page handout on a historical figure who appears on a commemorative plaque in Zurich (incl. photos of the plaque and surroundings; max. 20 points)

Learning Objectives:

By the end of the course, participants will not only have gained a better sense of Zurich's significance as a node within diverse networks of transnational revolution but will also be able to reflect more broadly on the historical and philosophical relationships between different types of revolutionary transformation.

Module enrolment:
This module awards 3 ECTS. Spaces are limited to 25 students.

This module may be booked via pre-booking before 05 August 2024. **Please contact the UZH stay abroad coordinator of your main study subject early on to discuss the pre-booking option.**

Alternatively, **the module can also be requested via the module booking tool during the module booking window**. The regular module booking deadlines and guidelines can be found here: https://www.students.uzh.ch/de/studyadmin/booking/

Science, Technology, and Society (Seminar)

Lecturer: Dr. William Bausman

Course language: English

Study level: Bachelor (undergraduate)

Course number: 06SM160l040

Time / Room: Monday 10:15-12:00 (Room t.b.a.; please check the course catalogue before the semester begins)

Course description:

Science and technology play increasingly large roles in our lives. Many of our major societal problems today—climate change, pandemics, world hunger, mental health, artificial intelligence—are presented as problems that only science and technology can solve. And yet at the core of these problems we find basic philosophical questions. This course is a philosophical investigation into the relationships between science, technology, and society. We are going to weave together three threads:

1. *Epistemology of Science.* We will ask, what is science? How does science produce knowledge? Why should we trust it? We will examine the works of the Logical Empiricists, Karl Popper, Thomas Kuhn, and Helen Longino.

2. *Scientific Controversy.* How can we criticize science without being either scientistic or anti-science? We will examine the controversial cases of Eugenics (when society trusted science too much), Climate Change Denial (when society did not trust science enough), and Adaptationism (a longstanding controversy within biology).

3. *Technology and Society.* How should we as a society use technology? We will look at the roles of social media and Artificial Intelligence in our lives. We will examine the benefits and harms of these technologies and how we can better regulate them personally and socially.

Learning Objectives: The main goal of this course is to learn how to better criticize science and technology without trusting either too little or too much. Along the way, we will learn how to think and speak better about science, scientific controversies, and the roles of technology in society.

Module enrolment:

This module awards 6 ECTS. Spaces are limited to 40 students.

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Enemies of Thought: Stupidity, Nonsense, and Bullshitting (Seminar)

Lecturer: Benoit Guilielmo

Course language: English

Study level: Bachelor (undergraduate)

Course number: 06SM160l039

Time / Room: Tuesday 10:15-12:00 (Room t.b.a.; please check the course catalogue before the semester begins)

Course description:
This course is a general introduction to intellectual ethics, focusing on what might be called the enemies of thought: stupidity, nonsense, and bullshitting. Through philosophical analysis, we will examine these interconnected concepts to gain a deeper understanding of their treatment in contemporary philosophy. What is the nature of stupidity? How does it differ from error or irrationality? Is stupidity an intellectual vice? What attitudes correspond to foolishness and stupidity? Is stupidity a form of insensitivity or indifference to intellectual values? The concept of nonsense, which was central to philosophical debates in the early twentieth century, will also be scrutinized. We will explore why nonsense is so prevalent and discuss how to avoid it. Additionally, the course will delve into the nature of bullshit and bullshitting, exploring its real-world manifestations and discussing how to articulate its specific wrongness. This module introduces students to contemporary research in epistemology and the philosophy of language, and serves as a tool for training in critical thinking.

Learning Objectives:
- Gaining understanding of some key philosophical concepts, theories, and arguments.
- Acquiring the ability to analyze, evaluate, and clearly explain the theses, issues, and arguments present in a philosophical paper.
- Encouraging students to reflect on their own beliefs, values, and intellectual perspectives.
- Motivating students to be open-minded and intellectually curious about philosophy.

Module enrolment:
This module awards 6 ECTS. Spaces are limited to 40 students.

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