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## German A1/ Parts 3 and 4

<b>Course title</b>	German A1/ Parts 3 and 4
<b>ECTS</b>	4
<b>Course type</b>	Course with exercises
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	60 hrs
<b>Lecturer</b>	Dr. Virginia Wallner
<b>Course objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can understand and use familiar expressions and very basic phrases aimed at meeting concrete everyday needs</li> <li>• Can introduce themselves and others and ask other people questions about their person</li> <li>• Can communicate in a simple way if the other person speaks slowly and clearly and is willing to help</li> </ul> <p><a href="http://www.europaeischer-referenzrahmen.de">http://www.europaeischer-referenzrahmen.de</a></p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grammar           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Prepositions</li> <li>– Possessives</li> <li>– Dative verbs</li> <li>– The imperative-Simple past 'war/ hatte'</li> <li>– The perfect form</li> <li>– Word formation</li> <li>– Subjunctive II</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Topics           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Apartments and houses</li> <li>– Parts of the body</li> <li>– Describing people and their character</li> <li>– Household activities</li> <li>– Weather</li> <li>– Holidays and celebrations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<b>Recommended literature</b>	<p>Menschen. Deutsch als Fremdsprache. Kursbuch A1.2 Hueber. Kapitel 13-24 ISBN 978-3-19-561901-1</p> <p>Menschen. Deutsch als Fremdsprache. Arbeitsbuch A1.2 mit Audio-CD. Hueber. Kapitel 13-24 ISBN 978-3-19-511901-6</p>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partner and group work</li> <li>• Explanation of topics by the lecturer</li> <li>• Presentations and discussions</li> <li>• Feedback from the lecturer</li> <li>• Listening exercises</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination, 90 min.
<b>Language of instruction</b>	German
<b>Prerequisites</b>	Successful completion of Level A1/Parts 1 and 2 (88121)

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Course descriptions for German language courses at higher levels:  
<https://th-deg.de/en/students/language-electives#german>

## English in Technical Contexts B2

<b>Course title</b>	English in Technical Contexts B2
<b>ECTS</b>	2
<b>Course type</b>	Language training course
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and summer
<b>Course level</b>	<p><b>B2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialization</li> <li>• Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party</li> <li>• Can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options</li> </ul> <p><a href="http://www.europaeischer-referenzrahmen.de/">http://www.europaeischer-referenzrahmen.de/</a></p>
<b>Lecturer</b>	Neal O'Donoghue, MA
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>This course aims to deepen students' encounter with the English language in a technical context by giving practical training in specialized vocabulary, grammar and language usage. The four cardinal language skills – listening, speaking, reading, and writing – will play an integral role in this training.</p> <p>The course is designed to be relevant and interesting for engineering students and will be adapted to their learning needs and study areas.</p> <p>By the end of the course, participants should have a more comprehensive understanding of, and enhanced fluency in, the English language in an engineering context.</p>

<b>Course contents</b>	<p><i>Obligatory topics (60 %):</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Numbers and mathematical operations</li> <li>• Shapes and dimensions</li> <li>• August 2017</li> <li>• Basic physics and the scientific worldview</li> <li>• Materials and their properties</li> <li>• Case study on an area related to technology</li> <li>• /physics/engineering</li> <li>• Grammar/ communication skills</li> </ul> <p><i>Variable content (40 %):</i>                  Variable content will be determined on the basis of a student survey conducted in the first session. Current world events (including news events and popular culture) and recent technological innovations may be used as a basis for discussions.</p>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	<p>Teaching methods focus on improving the four cardinal language skills and include group discussions and group projects; individual work; mini-presentations; role-plays; close reading and listening activities; dictation; grammar games; and various follow-up viewing and writing activities.</p> <p>Work not completed in class should be done at home. Self-study assignments will be set on a weekly basis.</p>
<b>Assessment method</b>	<p>Written exam (60 min)</p> <p>No dictionaries are allowed.</p> <p>Exam structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Part 1: Listening comprehension(s)</li> <li>• Part 2: Reading comprehension(s)</li> <li>• Part 3: Vocabulary and technical content</li> <li>• Part 4: Grammar (maximum 10% of total exam points, excluding writing exercise)</li> <li>• Part 5: Writing composition (150-200 words)</li> </ul> <p>The exam will be based on topics covered during the semester.</p>
<b>Recommended Literature</b>	<p>Astley, Peter, and Lewis Lansford. <i>Engineering 1: Student's Book</i>. Oxford: Oxford UP, 2013. Print.</p> <p>Bauer, Hans-Jürgen. <i>English for Technical Purposes</i>. Berlin: Cornelsen, 2000. Print.</p>

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Bonamy, David. Technical English 4. Harlow, England: Pearson Education, 2011. Print.

Bonamy, David, and Christopher Jacques. Technical English 3. Harlow: Pearson Longman, 2011. Print.

Brieger, Nick, and Alison Pohl. Technical English: Vocabulary and Grammar. Oxford: Summertown, 2002. Print.

Dummett, Paul. Energy English: For the Gas and Electricity Industries. Hampshire: Heinle, Cengage Learning, 2010. Print.

Dunn, Marian, David Howey, and Amanda Ilic. English for Mechanical Engineering in Higher Education Studies Coursebook. Reading: Garnet Education, 2010. Print.

engine: Englisch für Ingenieure. <[www.engine-magazin.de](http://www.engine-magazin.de)> (Darmstadt). Various issues. Print.

Foley, Mark, and Diane Hall. MyGrammarLab. Harlow: Pearson, 2012. Print.

Glendinning, Eric H., and Norman Glendinning. Oxford English for Electrical and Mechanical Engineering. Oxford: Oxford UP, 1995. Print.

Glendinning, Eric H., and Alison Pohl. Technology 2. Oxford: Oxford UP, 2008. Print.

Heidenreich, Sharon. English for Architects and Civil Engineers. Wiesbaden: Vieweg + Teubner Verlag, 2008. Print.

Ibbotson, Mark. Cambridge English for Engineering. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2008. Print.

Ibbotson, Mark. Professional English in Use. Engineering: Technical English for Professionals. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2009. Print.

Markner-Jäger, Brigitte. Technical English: Civil Engineering and Construction. Haan-Gruiten: Verl. Europa-Lehrmittel, 2013. Print.

Murphy, Raymond. English Grammar in Use. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2004. Print.

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	Schäfer, Wolfgang. Construction Milestones: Englisch Für Bau-, Holz- Und Anlagenberufe. Stuttgart: Klett, 2013. Print.
	Wagner, Georg, and Maureen Lloyd. Zörner. Technical Grammar and Vocabulary: A Practice Book for Foreign Students. Berlin: Cornelsen, 1998. Print.
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>Prerequisites</b>	B1 / Abitur (A-levels/ school leaving certificate giving right of entry to higher education) / 7-9 years of English

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## Intercultural Training for Germany and Bavaria

<b>Course title</b>	Intercultural Training for Germany and Bavaria
<b>ECTS</b>	1
<b>Course type</b>	Elective
<b>SWS</b>	1
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	30 hours
<b>Name of Instructor</b>	Lisa Werner
<b>Course objectives</b>	Participants get an understanding of the different theories of "culture" and learn about stereotypes and traditions in Bavaria. Furthermore, the participants get information on Germany and Bavaria as well as the Deggendorf Institute of Technology.
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Culture (theroies)</li> <li>II. Customs and Rituals in Germany/Bavaria</li> <li>III. Information on Germany and Bavaria and the DIT</li> <li>IV. Quiz and Presentation</li> <li>V. Culture Shock</li> </ul>
<b>Recommended literature</b>	<p>Bolten J. und Ehrhardt C., Interkulturelle Kommunikation, Verlag Wissenschaft &amp; Praxis 2003;          Bolten J, Einführung in die interkulturelle Wirtschaftskommunikation, Vandenhoeck &amp; Ruprecht 2007</p>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	<p>The course is organized according to four pillars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Culture</li> <li>2. Customs and Rituals</li> <li>3. Information on Germany/Bavaria</li> </ul>

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4. Culture Shock

Whereas hard facts are taught in a classical lecture style, students will do lots of role-plays, critical incidents, short movies and do a quiz.

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**Assessment method** Paper

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**Language of instruction** English/German

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**Prerequisites** None

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## Basics of International Sales and Business Development

<b>Course title</b>	Basics of International Sales and Business Development
<b>Course ID</b>	268
<b>ECTS</b>	2
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture with group work and presentations
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and summer
<b>Lecturer</b>	Ibrahim Waked
<b>Course objectives</b>	General knowledge of international sales and strategic business development mechanisms. As well as profound analysis of practical case studies.
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basics of sales and business development</li> <li>• Analysis of market potential including cultural &amp; political aspects, correlation between microeconomic and demographic aspects, (PESTELO analysis)</li> <li>• Relevancy of world bank reports on general economic performance and their implementation in company BD strategy</li> <li>• Market entry and risk management</li> </ul>
<b>Recommended literature</b>	<p><b>Strategic Management</b> by Richard Lynch von Pearson Longman</p> <p><b>Business Development Management</b> By Lutz Becker, Walter Gora, Tino Michalski</p>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Lecture with integrated project development examples
<b>Assessment method</b>	Presentation and seminar paper
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English

## Bavarian Culture

<b>Course title</b>	Bavarian Culture
<b>Course ID</b>	229
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and summer
<b>ECTS</b>	2
<b>Course type</b>	Elective
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>Name of lecturer</b>	Jennifer Hauer
<b>Course objectives</b>	Participants get a deeper understanding of the traditional and contemporary Bavarian culture by integrating knowledge about customs, language, and history with culturally routed events.
<b>Course contents</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hard facts           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1. History</li> <li>1.2. Demographics</li> <li>1.3. Geography</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Customs and rituals           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.1. Traditional</li> <li>2.2. Contemporary</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Language</li> <li>4. Events</li> </ol>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	<p>The course is organized according to four pillars:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hard Facts</li> <li>2. Customs and Rituals</li> <li>3. Language</li> <li>4. Events</li> </ol> <p>Whereas hard facts are taught in a classical lecture style, students should experience aspects of the culture in a lively manner through knowledge dissemination of cultural experts, off-campus seminars at events of traditional cultural</p>

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origin, as well as learning and engaging in cultural rituals themselves. The aim is to deepen and complement the contents taught in the Orientation Week.

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**Recommended literature**

Jonas, B., Gebrauchsanweisung für Bayern, Piper Verlag, 2007

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**Assessment methods**

Seminar paper

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**Prerequisites**

Participants should have attended the introductory Intercultural Training during the Orientation Week.

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## Business Storytelling

<b>Course title</b>	Business Storytelling
<b>Course ID</b>	296
<b>ECTS</b>	2
<b>Course type</b>	Elective
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	Total: 60 / In-class: 30 / Self-study: 30
<b>Lecturers</b>	Diego and Raphael Fiche
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>At the end of this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognize key elements that go into persuasive storytelling</li> <li>• Identify types of stories and their purposes</li> <li>• Create compelling stories to achieve business goals</li> <li>• Apply acquired knowledge to develop a compelling story to persuade others to think or act in a different way.</li> </ul>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to Business Storytelling</li> <li>• Power of Business Stories: when and why to tell them</li> <li>• Types of Business Stories and Their Purposes</li> <li>• Structuring Your Story to Engage the Audience</li> <li>• Storytelling techniques</li> <li>• Enhance Your Storytelling Skills</li> </ul>
<b>Recommended literature</b>	<p>Janis Forman (2013), <i>Storytelling in Business: The Authentic and Fluent Organization</i></p> <p>Seth Godin(2005), <i>All Marketers Are Liars</i></p>

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<b>Teaching methods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lectures</li><li>• Group work</li><li>• Case studies</li><li>• Presentation</li><li>• Exercises</li></ul>
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<b>Assessment method</b>	Class workshops / presentation / case studies / seminar paper
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<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
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<b>Prerequisites</b>	None
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## Cross-Cultural Team Building

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<b>Course title</b>	Cross-Cultural Team Building Workshop
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Johann Nagengast
<b>Course type</b>	Elective
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and summer
<b>ECTS</b>	2
<b>Assessment method</b>	Seminar paper
<b>Course language</b>	English

### Course objectives

Globalisation demands that managers possess the basic skills required to work together in international teams. Many companies actively encourage the development of these skills through teambuilding or team development programs. Especially for change management, team development plays an increasingly important role. Here the critical goal is to optimise how the group members work together as a team. Key factors affecting a team's success include organisation, structures, processes, culture and relationships.

International Team Building is conducted at the beginning of the semester as a three day off-campus seminar. The hands-on, outdoor training gives the students intensive exposure to the multifaceted nature of group dynamics.

By working together to solve complex problems and through structured feedback sessions, the participants become sensitised to the rolls they assume in group interactions, to the limitations imposed by the German and their own cultures, and to the conditions required for effective team work.

The course supports the integration of foreign students into campus and social life and helps build lasting working relationships among all participants.

The skills of giving and receiving of feedback are learned in the protective atmosphere of small groups through intensive exchanges between instructors and participants. This leads to improved observation and communication skills.

Moreover, the group members continually switch roles. This promotes a deeper understanding of social interaction, helps members to reflect on their contribution to the group process, encourages members to experiment with new behavioural concepts, and improves the group's capacity to co-operate and perform. Final feedback rounds offer the possibility to align the members' self-images with the perception others have of them, to reduce "blind spots", to increase self-confidence and their ability to reflect.

The capacity to give appropriate feedback in various situations, to monitor one's self image as well as the consequences of one's own behaviour form the basis for a successful career in management.

**Course contents**

Group dynamics, processes and structures in groups; Roles in groups (roles in tasks and supporting roles); Group leadership; Effect of one's actions in groups; The "give and take" of feedback; Self-image and how others see you; Communication levels (content versus relationship); Conditions for successful co-operation; Cultural influences on teamwork.

Note: The main emphasis of this course is not the conveyance of theoretical knowledge, but rather learning directly from experience. The theories on which the intervention and evaluation sessions are based are taught in the course "Human Resources Management".

**Teaching methods**

This course is organised as an interactive experience and activity-based training program. With the help of complex tasks, timed interaction activities combined with elements of surprise, classical outdoor training exercises, moderated feedback and reflection sessions, participants are taught the necessary conditions for effective teamwork.

The teaching methods are based on the principles of self-organised learning. The instructors define their roles in terms of Schein's model of process consulting.

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They intervene by questioning the participants in a manner designed not only to examine their perspectives, but to introduce new perspectives and stimulate the group's creative process.

The responsibility for these process remains with the participants.

In the context of the learning environment, the students enjoy the opportunity to increase their observation, communication, co-operation, self-reflection, teamwork and management skills as well as their self-confidence.

In addition, the course offers the students the chance to network and develop sustainable work relationships at the start of their studies.

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### **Suggested Literature**

Baron, R. S.: Group Process, Group Decision, Group Action, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ed., Buckingham, 2003;

Buchanan, D., Huczynski, A.: Organizational Behavior, 5<sup>th</sup> Ed., Harlow, 2004;

Wagner, M., Waldmann, R.: Vom Outdoor-Training zur Teamentwicklung, Welchen Beitrag leisten Hochseilgärten? in: Jagenlauf, M./Michl, W. (Hrsg.) Erleben und Lernen – Internationale Zeitschrift für handlungsorientiertes Lernen, 1/2004

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### **Notes**

The weekend seminar is characterised by team teaching in a mountain hostel. The team consists of Prof. Dr. Nagengast and trained tutors selected from participants in the course „Train the Trainer“. The tutors make it possible to conduct the training in small „protected“ groups (around 8) and to give qualified feedback.

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## AI Project

<b>Course title</b>	AI Project
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Project
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Course level</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	150 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Patrick Glauner
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>The aim of this class is to provide students with hands-on and real-world AI development experience. They will have the opportunity to work on real data sets in order to solve real-world problems. As these projects are completed in groups, students will also have the opportunity to use professional software development tools for collaboration.</p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementing high-tech projects in the fields of artificial intelligence, machine learning, computer vision, natural language processing and others.</li> <li>• Projects can be chosen for example from Kaggle, from other sources or be done in collaboration with an industrial partner.</li> <li>• Using modern high-end hardware, such as GPU clusters and cloud services.</li> <li>• Utilizing an agile process framework such as Scrum.</li> <li>• Understanding and using modern industrial software development tools such as work package trackers, code revision systems, debuggers, profilers and others.</li> </ul>

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- Presenting R&D outcomes to stakeholders at different levels, such as fellow students, faculty members, practitioners and executives.
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**Recommended literature**

1. S. Chacon and B. Straub, "**Pro Git**", Apress, second edition, 2014.
2. I. Goodfellow, Y. Bengio and A. Courville, "**Deep Learning**", MIT Press, 2016.
3. C. Larman, "**Applying UML and Patterns: An Introduction to Object-Oriented Analysis and Design and Iterative Development**", Prentice Hall, third edition, 2004.

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<b>Teaching methods</b>	Project
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<b>Assessment method</b>	Project
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<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
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<b>Prerequisite</b>	Foundations of AI
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## Algorithms and Data Structures

<b>Course title</b>	Algorithms and Data Structures
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture and lab
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Course level</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	150 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Patrick Glauner
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>The aim of this class is to provide an introduction to one of the most important foundations of a computer science degree: algorithms and data structures. A data structure enables a programmer to structure data into conceptually manageable relationships. An algorithm is a finite sequence of well-defined, computer-implementable instructions to solve a class of problems or to perform a computation. Algorithms often operate on data structures. This course provides a journey through computer science. Students will acquire a solid foundation in how the most important algorithms and data structures work. They will also learn how to design efficient algorithms and data structures.</p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction: algorithm definition, classification of algorithms</li> <li>• Graphs: graph definitions, applications in computer science, shortest path, lowest cost, A*</li> <li>• Complexity analysis: time complexity, O, Omega, Theta, o and O tilde notations, space complexity</li> <li>• Lists: arrays, dynamic arrays/lists, amortization, fundamental operations, stacks, queues, linked lists</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recursion: search, divide and conquer, recurrence relations, master theorem, backtracking, dynamic programming</li> <li>• Sorting: bubble sort, selection sort, insertion sort, merge sort, quicksort, lower bounds</li> <li>• Trees: binary trees, traversing, advanced types of trees, decision trees</li> <li>• Maps and hash tables: key-value stores, hashing, collision handling</li> <li>• Selected algorithms: fast matrix multiplication, string matching, prime numbers</li> <li>• Quantum computing: qubits, quantum logic gates, quantum computers, quantum algorithms</li> </ul>
<b>Recommended literature</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. M. Goodrich et al., "<b>Data Structures and Algorithms in Python</b>", John Wiley &amp; Sons, 2013.</li> <li>2. R. Sedgewick, "<b>Algorithms</b>", Addison Wesley, fourth edition, 2011.</li> <li>3. M. Sipser, "<b>Introduction to the Theory of Computation</b>", Cengage Learning, third edition, 2012.</li> </ol>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Lecture and lab
<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination 90 min.
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>Prerequisite</b>	Programming foundations

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## Big Data

<b>Course title</b>	Big Data
<b>ECTS</b>	2.5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture and seminar
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Course level</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	75 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Patrick Glauner
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>The aim of this class is to provide students with an introduction to the field of big data. Students will acquire a solid foundation in how to design and implement big data systems. They will also learn hands-on how to use industrial big data tools. Furthermore, they will understand the limitations of big data-driven approaches and how they can recognize and solve typical issues in big data, such as data quality and biases. As an outcome, they will be able to work on real-world problems that not only require knowledge in AI, but also an expertise in how to use big data infrastructures, frameworks, libraries and tools.</p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction: 3 Vs, history of big data, selected big data use cases</li> <li>• Revision of database fundamentals: ER diagrams, relational databases, database management systems, queries, indexes, normalization, transactions</li> <li>• Big data architectures: distributed systems, MapReduce, CAP theorem, speedup through GPUs and FPGAs</li> <li>• Big data, small data, all data: data quality, biases in data sets, small sample size problems</li> <li>• MLOps: project lifecycle, challenges, operations, principal components, pipelines, best practices</li> </ul>

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- Selected big data infrastructures, frameworks, libraries and tools
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**Recommended literature**

1. A. Petrov, "**Database Internals: A Deep Dive into How Distributed Data Systems Work**", O'Reilly Media, 2019.
  2. S. Sakr and A. Zomaya, "**Encyclopedia of Big Data Technologies**", Springer, 2019.
  3. A. Tanenbaum and M. van Steen, "**Distributed Systems: Principles and Paradigms**", Pearson, 2nd edition, 2007.
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**Teaching methods**      Lecture and seminar

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**Assessment method**      Seminar presentation

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**Language of instruction**      English

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**Prerequisite**      None

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## Computer Vision

<b>Course title</b>	Computer Vision
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture and lab
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Course level</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	150 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Patrick Glauner
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>The aim of this class is to discuss Computer Vision (CV), which allows computers to process visual inputs. We deal every day dozens of times with CV, such as facial recognition, real-time translating camera input or auto-tagging friends in photos. Modern CV algorithms are strongly based on machine learning methods, in particular deep neural networks. Students will acquire knowledge in CV and be able to elaborate it further in the future, for example in projects or further studies. Overall, CV is a cutting-edge field, with many high-pay opportunities for graduates.</p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction: applications, computational models for vision, perception and prior knowledge, levels of vision, how humans see</li> <li>• Pixels and filters: digital cameras, image representations, noise, filters, edge detection</li> <li>• Regions of images: segmentation, perceptual grouping, Gestalt theory, segmentation approaches, image compression</li> <li>• Feature detection: RANSAC, Hough transform, Harris corner detector</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Object recognition: challenges, template matching, histograms, machine learning</li> <li>• Convolutional neural networks: neural networks, loss functions and optimization, backpropagation, convolutions and pooling, hyperparameters, AutoML, efficient training, selected architectures</li> <li>• Image sequence processing: motion, tracking image sequences, Kalman filter, correspondence problem, optical flow</li> <li>• Foundations of mobile robotics: robot motion, sensors, probabilistic robotics, particle filters, SLAM</li> <li>• Outreach: 3D vision, generative adversarial networks, self-supervised learning</li> </ul>
<b>Recommended literature</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. R. C. Gonzalez and R. Woods, "<b>Digital Image Processing</b>", Pearson, 3rd edition, 2018.</li> <li>2. I. Goodfellow, Y. Bengio and A. Courville, "<b>Deep Learning</b>", MIT Press, 2016.</li> </ol>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Lecture and lab
<b>Assessment method</b>	Project
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>Prerequisite</b>	Programming foundations, multivariate calculus

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## Natural Language Processing

<b>Course title</b>	Natural Language Processing
<b>ECTS</b>	2.5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture and lab
<b>SWS</b>	2
<b>Course level</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	75 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Patrick Glauner
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>The aim of this class is to discuss Natural Language Processing (NLP), which allows computers to process human language. We deal every day dozens of times with NLP, such as doing a Google search, spelling correction on a smartphone, classification of emails as spam or recognition of hand-written characters on mail. Modern NLP algorithms are strongly based on machine learning methods. Students will acquire knowledge in NLP and be able to elaborate it further in the future, for example in projects or further studies.</p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foundations: stemming, stop words, n-grams</li> <li>• Text classification: naive Bayes, spam filtering, language detection, logistic regression</li> <li>• Spelling correction</li> <li>• Search engines: ranking, vector space model, PageRank</li> <li>• Outlook: embedding, recent advances in NLP</li> </ul>

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<b>Recommended literature</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. C. Bishop, "<b>Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning</b>", Springer, 2006.</li><li>2. C. Manning, P. Raghavan and H. Schütze, "<b>Introduction to Information Retrieval</b>", Cambridge University Press, 2008.</li><li>3. S. Russel and P. Norvig, "<b>Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach</b>", Prentice Hall, third edition, 2009.</li></ol>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Lecture and lab
<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination 45 min.
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>Prerequisite</b>	Programming foundations

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## Database Engineering

<b>Course title</b>	Database Engineering
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Course type</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Winter and summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	In-class: 60 hrs. / Self-study: 90 hrs / Total: 150 hrs
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Dorner / Prof. Dr.-Ing. Udo Garmann
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>After this module students should</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be able to describe the database design process,</li> <li>• know the elements of the Entity-Relationship-Model,</li> <li>• can build an Entity Relationship Model for a specific case,</li> <li>• can normalize a database design,</li> <li>• be able to manage a database through a database management system,</li> <li>• be able to query a database using SQL,</li> <li>• know the core components and functionalities of a database management system.</li> </ul>
<b>Recommended literature</b>	<p>Conolly, Thomas M.; Begg, Carolyn E.: Database Solutions - A step-by-step guide to building databases. 2nd Edition. Harlow, Essex: Pearson Education Limited, 2004</p> <p>Conolly, Thomas M.; Begg, Carolyn E.: Database systems - A practical approach to design, implementation, and management. 4th edition. Addison-Wesley, an imprint of Pearson Education, 2005</p>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Classes with exercises and practical training Course and document management through E-Learning System iLearn

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<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination, 90 min.
<b>Language of Instruction</b>	English
<b>Prerequisites</b>	Basics in Computer Science

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## Advanced Programming Techniques

<b>Course title</b>	Advanced Programming Techniques
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture
<b>Level</b>	Postgraduate
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	Time of attendance: 60 hours Self-study: 90 hours Total: 150 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Andreas Fischer
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>Students of this course extend their software programming abilities by creating and maintaining a complex computer program in a development team. They learn the interplay between the design, maintenance and extension steps as applied to a complex software project.</p> <p><b>The students achieve the following learning objectives:</b></p> <p><b>Professional Skills</b> The students know the elementary workings as well as the application area of versioning control software. They are able to make good use of such a system in the context of a software development process. The students extend their knowledge in the area of object-oriented programming and</p>

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are able to confidently apply this programming paradigm to solve complex problems.

The know the basic UML tools and can use them to design an appropriate software architecture to solve simple problems.

The students are familiar with basic programming patterns. They are able to implement them where appropriate in their own code.

They know about the development method of test-driven development and are able to create software tests with which they can estimate the reliability of the software they are developing.

### **Methodological Skills**

The students are able to realize and extend a software project. They can quickly acquaint themselves with a pre-existing code-base and identify appropriate points for extending this code-base. They are able to perform a requirements analysis for these extensions and to develop the respective solutions.

### **Soft Skills**

The students realize a complex software project embedded in a development team.

They are able to coordinate the development process appropriately with their team members. They can take professional feedback and implement the appropriate changes to their work.

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### **Course contents**

- Using versioning control software
  - The software development process
  - Requirements analysis
  - Software architecture with UML
  - Software design patterns
  - Unit tests
  - Test-driven development
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**Recommended literature**

R. Martin: Clean Code: A Handbook of Agile Software Craftsmanship, 1. Auflage, Prentice Hall 2008.

M. Fowler: Patterns of Enterprise Application Architecture, 1. Auflage, Addison Wesley 2002.

E. Gamma / R. Helm / R. Johnson / J. Vlissides: Design Patterns. Elements of Reusable Object-Oriented Software, 1. Auflage, Prentice Hall 1994.

A. Hunt / David Thomas / W. Cunningham: The Pragmatic Programmer. From Journeyman to Master, 1. Auflage, Addison Wesley 1999.

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<b>Teaching methods</b>	Lecture with practical exercises
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<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination
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<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
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<b>Prerequisites</b>	In terms of content: Basic education in computer science, proficiency in an object-oriented programming language
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## Advanced Topics in AI

<b>Course title</b>	Advanced Topics in AI
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Course level</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	Time of attendance: 60 hours Self-study: 90 hours Total: 150 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Andreas Fischer
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>The purpose of this course is to provide students with hands-on and real-world development experience. They will have the opportunity to review some cutting-edge research papers and to then turn them in concrete software/hardware outcomes. As these projects are completed in teams, students will also have the opportunity to elaborate on their social and language skills. At the end of the term, students will present their projects at an in-house R&amp;D fair which will be open to the public.</p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Implementing contemporary research papers from the fields of artificial intelligence, machine learning, computer vision, natural language processing and others.</li> <li>– Using modern high-end hardware, such as GPUs clusters and cloud services.</li> <li>– Utilizing an agile process framework such as Scrum.</li> <li>– Understanding and using modern industrial software development tools such as work package trackers, code revision systems, debuggers, profilers and others.</li> </ul>

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- Presenting R&D outcomes to stakeholders at different levels, such as fellow students, faculty members and practitioners and executives.
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**Recommended literature**

Basic:

- C. Bishop, Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Springer, 2006.
- I. Goodfellow, Y. Bengio and A. Courville, Deep Learning, MIT Press, 2016.

Study aids:

- High-end GPUs
- Cloud services
- Development boards
- Mobile robots and drones
- Hardware manuals

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**Teaching methods**

project and seminars

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**Assessment method**

written student research project

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**Language of instruction**

English

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**Prerequisites**

None

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## Informatics II

<b>Course title</b>	Informatics II
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Course level</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	Time of attendance: 60 hours self-study: 45 hours virtual learning: 45 hours Total: 150 hours
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Gökçe Aydos
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>The course aims at providing an in-depth understanding of the relevant aspects of computational science. After completing the course, students will have obtained the following learning competencies:</p> <p><b>Professional competence</b>          After successfully completing the module, students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- be confident in Python programming language and how to use it as a tool for data analysis.</li> <li>- know how to use computation to help data tell a story.</li> <li>- be familiar with fundamental principles and methods of visualization.</li> <li>- know how to use tools widely used by data scientists, such as Jupyter Notebooks etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Methodological competence</b>          After successfully completing the module, students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- be able to write Python scripts for biomedical approaches.</li> <li>- know how to use different software tools and know about their application and function.</li> </ul>

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<b>Course contents</b>	1 Advanced Python programming language 2 Principles and methods of visualization. 3 Open access tools
<b>Recommended literature</b>	The iLearn teaching and learning platform provides students with additional literature references and learning material to prepare for the lectures.
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Seminar-like classes, application examples The module consists of a lecture part with blended learning components, including practical exercises. The lecture part will prepare students' basic knowledge on computational objectives and the practical exercises will practice students' gained knowledge.
<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination, 90 min.
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English

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## A Business process case study in SAP for Beginners

<b>Course title</b>	A Business process case study in SAP for Beginners
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Course level</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	Total: 150 / In-class: 60 / Self-study: 90
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Dieter Rummler
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>It will be shown to beginners in the area of Enterprise Resource Planning Systems (ERP) the functions of ERP systems. This is done by carrying out a business process from entering a sales order to its production and delivery. At the same time the consequences in finance and accounting are shown. This makes connections in business administration visible.</p> <p>SAP R/3 is used for this. No prerequisites are required for this. The user interface, the handling of SAP R/3 and the necessary SAP transactions are explained. Essentially, in group work, an SAP case study created by myself is carried out by the students on their computers.</p>

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<b>Course contents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is ERP</li><li>• User interface and handling of SAP R/3</li></ul>
	<b>Case study:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Master data</li><li>• Sales forecast</li><li>• Customer order</li><li>• MRP run</li><li>• Purchasing the components</li><li>• Production of the assembly and the final product</li><li>• Delivery of the sales order</li><li>• Invoicing</li><li>• Incoming payments</li><li>• Finance</li><li>• Controlling</li></ul>
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Lecture / case studies
<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination, 90 min.
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>Prerequisites</b>	None

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## From Data to Big Data Analysis

<b>Course title</b>	From Data to Big Data Analysis and Business Intelligence
<b>ECTS</b>	5
<b>Course type</b>	Lecture
<b>SWS</b>	4
<b>Course level</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Semester</b>	Summer
<b>Workload in hours</b>	Total: 150 / In-class: 60 / Self-study: 90
<b>Lecturer</b>	Prof. Dr. Dieter Rummler
<b>Course objectives</b>	<p>This course brings you from Data to Big Data Analysis and Business Intelligence.</p> <p>You need basic knowledge in mathematics. No programming skills necessary. All used tools you can download for free.</p> <p>In EXCEL we will work with diagrams and Power Pivot tables, after an introduction to fundamentals in EXCEL. We will enter more intelligence to data with the tool POWER Business Intelligence (BI). We will add interesting insights to data to find information which are important for our business. We will also look forward to work with artificial intelligence to find relationships and correlations between data, and we will classify data.</p> <p>After this course, the student understands the way how to get from pure data from different sources important information, insights and knowledge for daily and strategic company decisions.</p>
<b>Course contents</b>	<p>Part 1 – Spreadsheet calculation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basics</li> <li>• Addressing</li> <li>• Data maintenance</li> <li>• Formula and functions</li> <li>• Reports</li> </ul> <p>1.1. Spreadsheets</p>

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	1.2. Subtotals 1.3. Diagrams 1.4. Pivot tables Part 2 – Bringing data together from different sources Part 3 – Creating web and mobile phone dashboards Part 4 – Looking for insights Part 5 – Classification of data Part 6 – Adding artificial intelligence to data
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Lecture
<b>Assessment method</b>	Written examination, 90 min.
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>Prerequisites</b>	None

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