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Information Session M.Sc. Politics & Technology



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Important deadlines and dates

- **October 02, 2021** Start of the registration for courses in TUMonline
- **October 04 – 08, 2021** **Fit for TUM – Service fair for newcomers** (www.tum.de) - online
- **October 11 – 13, 2021** Orientation Days (online)
- **October 18, 2021** First day of classes
- **November 19, 2021** Last day to get enrolled in the program

Important websites

www.tum.de use search words (e.g. „mandatory health insurance“, „leave of absence“, „dates and deadlines“, „Fit for TUM“)

www.hfp.tum.de (e.g. information about your Master´s program, course schedule, websites of the departments)

www.sprachenzentrum.tum.de/en/homepage/ **TUM Language Center** offers many languages, including German for free!

We encourage the international students to take advantage of this great offer and register. The registration started **September 20, 2021** until **October 20, 2021**

Since there is no slot for a language courses in our program, you can take it only as an **additional course** and that doesn't count to the GPA.

<https://wiki.tum.de/display/docs/Students> **important manuals** how to work with **TUMonline**

Program Structure - M.Sc. Politics & Technology

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Required module (6 credits)

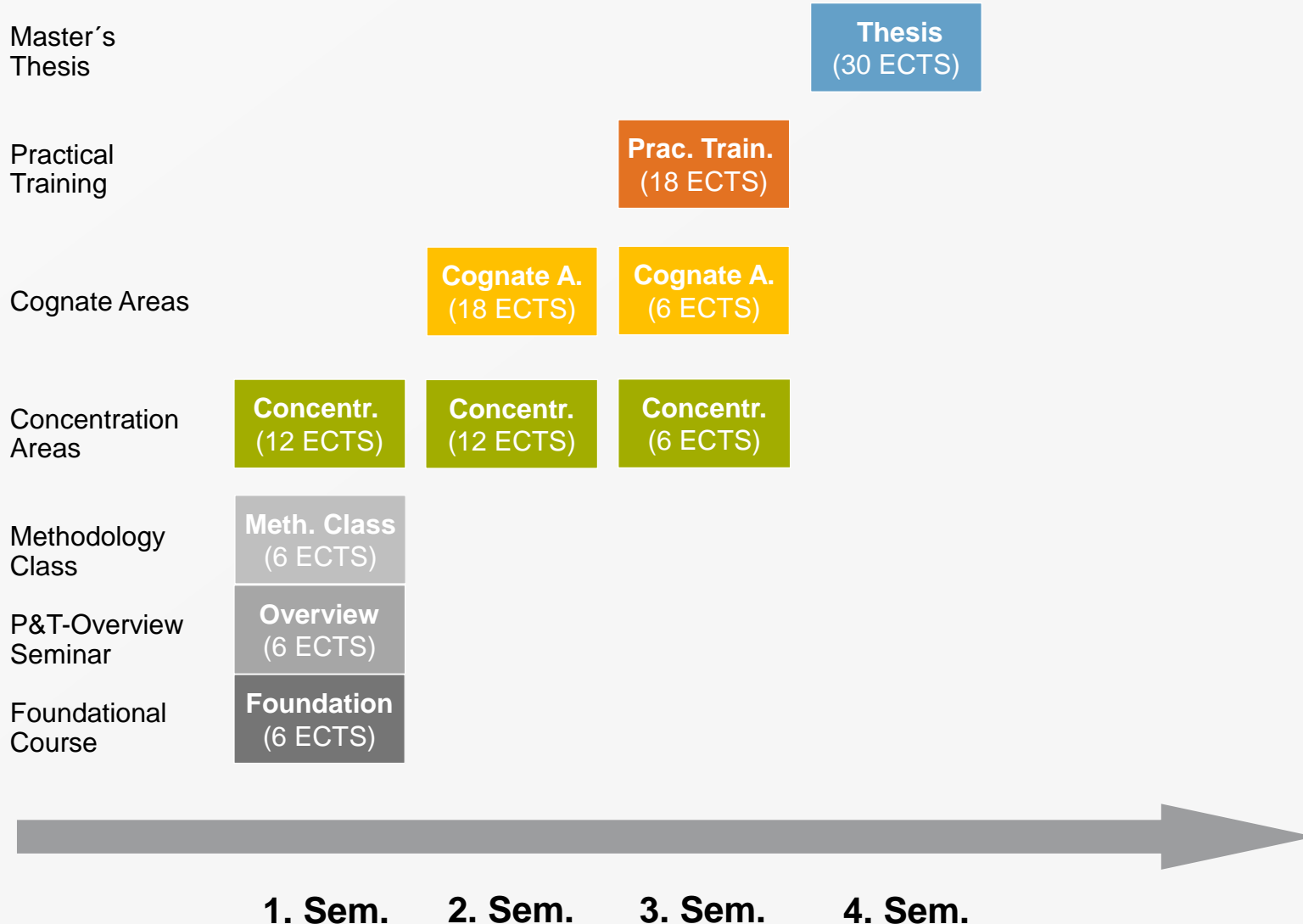
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Elective module (6 credits)

Master's Thesis

Required module
(30 credits)

M.Sc. – Recommended Study Plan (full-time)



Academic progress and length of studies

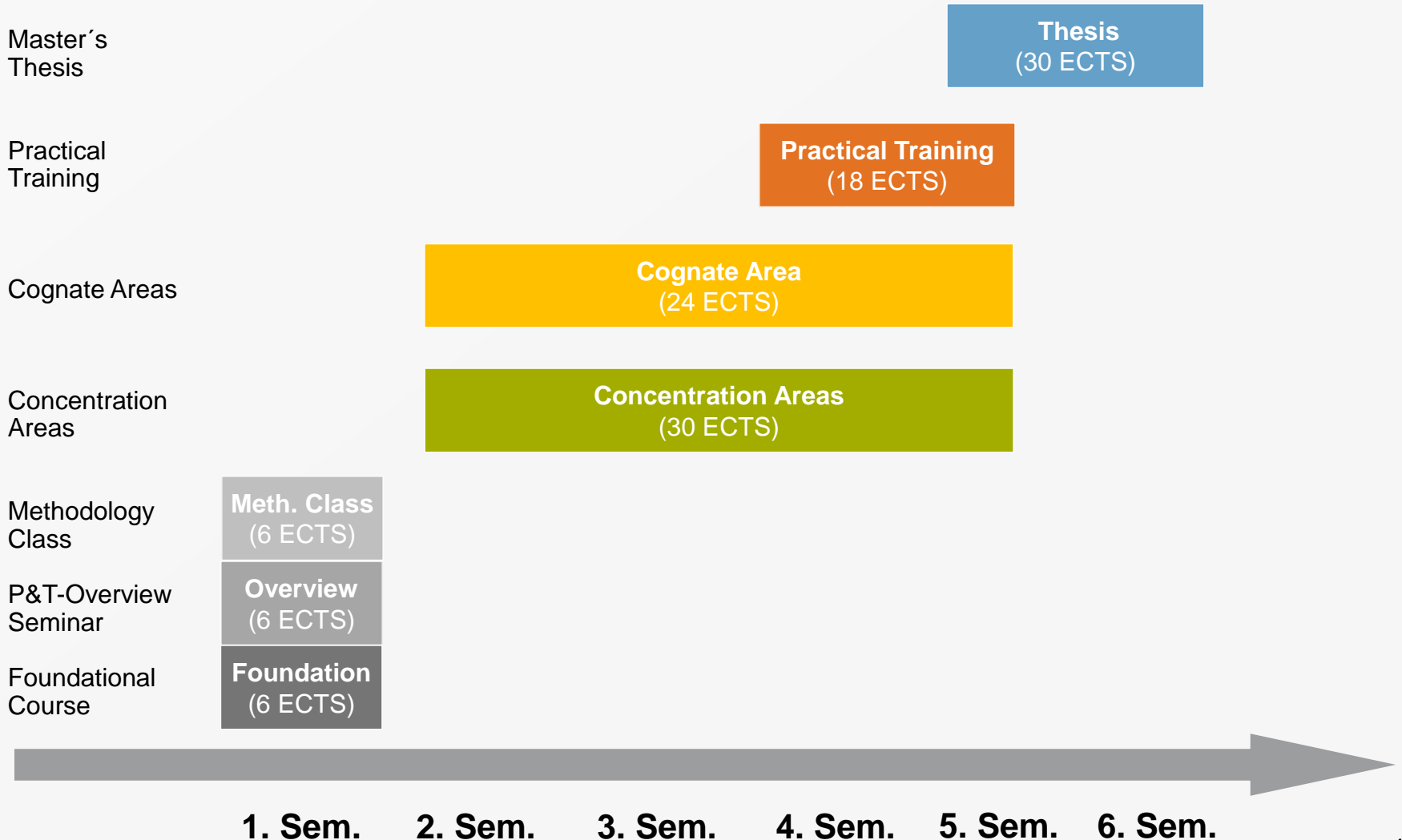
- The Master's program is designed to **take two years (4 semesters)** to complete.
- **Total 120 ECTS = 30 ECTS per semester** – which is the **usual/recommended workload**.
- TUM GOV/HfP modules have mostly **6 ECTS**. **1 ECTS has a workload of 30 hours**.
- It is acceptable for you to earn **20 ECTS every semester**.

“Studienfortschrittskontrolle” – study progress control)

You are required to complete

- **30 ECTS after the 3. semester**
- **60 ECTS after the 4. semester**
- **90 ECTS after the 5. semester**
- **120 ECTS after the 6. semester**
- You may take a **maximum of six semesters** to complete the Master's program
- **Which courses in the M. Sc. Political Science have to be completed in which order?**
- **Which elective modules can I choose during my studies?**

M.Sc. – Recommended Study Plan (part-time)



Academic progress and length of studies

- The Master's program is designed to **take three years (6 semesters)** to complete.
- **Total 120 ECTS = 20 ECTS per semester** – which is the **usual/recommended workload**.
- The **maximum ECTS** per semester **25 ECTS**
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(“**Studienfortschrittskontrolle**” – **study progress control**)

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 - **20 ECTS after the 3. semester**
 - **40 ECTS after the 4. semester**
 - **60 ECTS after the 5. semester**
 - **80 ECTS after the 6. semester**
 - **100 ECTS after the 7. semester**
 - **120 ECTS after the 8. semester**
- You may take a **maximum of eight semesters** to complete the Master's program

Foundational / preparatory course / Brückenkurs

- It is a course (6 Credits, it can be also a combination of two 3-credit-courses) which should help you obtain **missing knowledge** either in **political science** or in **engineer / natural science** depending on your **background**. It can be a Bachelor´s or Master´s course. The list that is on our website is for your orientation.
- Coming from political science background you should chose an engineering/natural science module as your foundational/preparatory course.
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- The complete list of foundational courses can be found in your study tree (curriculum support)

Additional fundamental course / Auflage

- As it was written in your **admission letter**, you need to complete **one additional fundamental module (Auflage)** till **the end of the second semester!**
- This module must be a module from the basics (Grundlagen) **from the Bachelor's program** e.g. POL00011 "**Politics for Rocket Scientists**" or POL10500_1 "**Comparative Politics – Fundamentals**" or "POL11000 **International Relations – Advanced**". All three modules are in English.
- For students, who speak German, the list is longer since our Bachelor is in German.
- You just need to **pass** the additional fundamental course, **the grade is not counted** to the GPA.

Concentration areas vs. cognate areas of your studies

According to the regulations of the program, you have to pass one course (à 6 ECTS) from each **concentration area** (18 ECTS) and then two courses either from the same concentration area or from two different ones.

30 ECTS must be completed in the slot “**concentration area/major in political science**” until the end of the Master’s program.

“**Cognate areas/interdisciplinary electives**” (modules from other TUM faculties) do NOT have any restriction. You chose the module from the curriculum support.

24 ECTS must be completed in the slot “**cognate areas/interdisciplinary electives**” until the end of the Master’s program.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Is it necessary to register for the individual lectures?**

Registration for the individual events is not necessary, but recommended (for Moodle access)

Please **register for the courses** by using the links in the **course schedule** this semester.

The **registration for the exams** should be done in **the curriculum support (Studienbaum)**

<https://www.hfp.tum.de/en/studies/masters-program/course-schedules/>

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Winter Term 2021/2022

Outlook for the winter semester 2021/22

As far as infectious conditions allow, we want to place an emphasis on more presence and more exchange, and allow more face-to-face meetings.

We assume that a **large part of the courses and also the examinations** will again take place on campus. Therefore, in the winter semester, **attendance at the campus** will again become a requirement for a regular degree program.

In the **winter semester 2021/22, pandemic-related exceptions to deadlines, examinations, study progress monitoring or other regulations will also no longer apply.** The requirements for a regular degree program are thus once again the same as before the outbreak of the pandemic.

Please also keep up to date via the TUM page:
<https://www.tum.de/die-tum/aktuelles/coronavirus/studium/>

Course Schedules

THE COURSE SCHEDULES FOR THE 2021/22 WINTER TERM

1. and 3. Semester

- [Module Cataloge for Full-Time and Part-Time Students](#)
- [Foundational Modules](#)
- [Module Cataloge for the interdisciplinary study part](#)

The purpose of preparatory modules ("Brückenkurse") is to provide you with basic knowledge in political science or in engineering or natural sciences –that you may be missing depending on what you studied in your bachelor's program and are expected to have.

- [Required Additional Fundamental Subjects](#)

Registration from **02.10.2021** in TUMonline.

Course Schedule

Hochschule für Politik München

Courses offered in the Master's program in
Politics and Technology (full-time and part-time)
in WiSe 21/22

TUM School of Governance

Nr.	Module name	Teaching form	SWS	ECTS-Credits	Module responsibility - Link to the courses
Fundamentals in Political Science (compulsory module) - 1st semester					
POL40100	Introduction to Politics, Technology & Sustainability	4 Vo	4	6	Lehrstuhl für Umwelt- und Klimapolitik (Prof. Schreurs)
Elective modules Methods - 1st semester					
POL40200	Advanced Qualitative Methods	2 Vo + 2 Ue	4	6	Lehrstuhl für European and Global Governance (Prof. Conceição-Heldt)
POL40300	Computational Methods	2 Se + 2 Se	4	6	Lehrstuhl für European and Global Governance (Prof. Conceição-Heldt)
POL63100	Quantitative Methods	2 Vo + 2 Ue	4	6	Professur für International Political Economy (Prof. Betz)
Specializations in political science (elective modules) 1st or 3rd semester					
Specialization Democracy in the Digital Age					
POL60700	Democracy in the Digital Age	2 Se + 2 Se	4	6	Lehrstuhl für European and Global Governance (Prof. Conceição-Heldt)
POL60701	Digital Transformations in Europe	2 Se + 2 Se	4	6	Lehrstuhl für European and Global Governance (Prof. Conceição-Heldt)
SOT860809, SOT860810	Advanced Topic: Law in Action (MSC)	2 Se	2	6	Professur für Law, Science, and Technology (Prof. Djeflal)
SOT860811, SOT860812	Advanced Topic : Theoretical Reflections on Law and Technology	2 Se	2	6	Professur für Law, Science, and Technology (Prof. Djeflal)
POL66001	Social Media and Politics: Communication, Behaviour and Governance	4 Se	4	6	Lehrstuhl für Digital Governance (Prof. Theocharis)
SOT866005	Digital Media, Politics and Gender	4 Se	4	6	Lehrstuhl für Digital Governance (Prof. Theocharis)
SOT866003	Technology and Psychology of Persuasion: A course in behavioral political economy (2SWS)	2 Se	2	3	Lehrstuhl für Digital Governance (Prof. Theocharis)

TUMonline Curriculum Support (Studienbaum)

Curriculum Support / Testperson 226, Test (00001226)
 16 265 Politics & Technology (20171, Master's program, current); re-enrollment, Academic year 2020/21, Subject-specific semester: 1






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[20171] Politics & Technology		120	1
Basics		6	1
Preparatory Modules		6	1
Major in Methods		6	1
Major in Political Sciences		30	1
Interdisciplinary Electives		24	1
Political Science in Practice		18	1
Master's Thesis		30	1
Required Additional Fundamental Subjects (not relevant for overall grade)			1

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[BV400009] Land Management and Land Policy		6	1
[BV560011] Governance		3	1
[BV000331] Environmental Law		3	1
[BGU52018] Interactions of Land-use and Transport		3	1
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[CLA11200] Interdisciplinary Lecture Series "Environment, Ecology and Technology"		1	1
[EI7467] Interdisciplinary Project Internship Concept Development of a Renewable Energy System in a Developing Country		6	1
[EI74661] Renewable Energy Systems in Developing Countries		5	1
[IN8005] Introduction into Computer Science (for non Informatics studies)		6	1
[IN0021] Introduction to Information Systems		5	1
[IN4906_3] Practical Seminar Legal Tech Special		5	1
[POL40200] Advanced Qualitative Methods		6	1
[POL10600] Comparative Politics - Advanced		6	1
[POL10500] Comparative Politics - Fundamentals		6	1
[POL60200] Artificial Intelligence in Theory and Practice		6	1
[POL70071] Behavioral Ethics		6	1
[POL23300] Climate Politics: International, National and Local Dimensions		6	1
[POL61303] Competition Law and Policy in the EU and the US		6	1
[POL40300] Computational Methods		6	1
[POL20200] Computational Social Science		6	1

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Examinations

Each TUM semester is divided in **lecture period (October 18, 2021 – February 11, 2022)** and **lecture-free period**. Exams of the TUMGov/HfP normally start during the last week of the lecture period until the third week of the lecture-free period.

Examination period for this winter term is **February 14 – March 11, 2022** Deadlines for **scientific papers** and examinations at **other faculties** of TUM may **differ** from this period.

- **When and how do I register for exams?**

You must independently register for all exams in **TUMonline** or you will not be allowed to take them.

Examination registration period is **November 19, 2021 – January 15, 2022**

After 15.01.2022 no registration in TUMonline for HfP examinations will be possible!

All the important dates can be found under <https://www.hfp.tum.de/en/studies/dates-and-deadlines/>

- **Can I deregister from exams?**

Yes, usually up to **one week before the exam** takes place.

- **Can I register for a re-take exam even if I did not attend the regular exam?**

Yes. **Re-take exams** (taken by students who fail the first time) are usually held during **the next/following examination period**.

Examinations

- **Can I repeat an exam if I passed it, but with a bad grade?**

No.

- **What happens if I fail an exam?**

The fail grade will be entered in your **transcript** (“**Kontoauszug**”) but not in your **certificate** (“**Leistungsnachweis**”). You can either repeat the exam or choose another module if it is an elective module.

- **Is there a late registration for exams?**

No. If you miss the registration period then you need to wait for the next one to register.

- **What should I do if not all credits are listed in my transcript correctly (e.g. credits missing, credits not adding up correctly etc.)?**

Get in touch with **me**.

Deferring your Studies

- You can **defer** your Master´s studies until **winter term 2021/22**
- For that option please read following website: <https://www.tum.de/en/studies/application/reserving-your-spot/>
- Deferring your study spot is possible until **November 19, 2021**

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Who can I contact if I have further questions about my studies?

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