

1.3.4. Terrorism and Political Violence (Otto-von-Guericke-University Magdeburg)

Name of Module/Course	Terrorism and Political Violence			
Short description	The course will offer detailed analysis of the problems and key debates in terrorism research. It will focus on issues of conceptualization, historical development, theoretical explanations and questions regarding counter-terrorism as well as the limitations within the field from both perspectives of traditional terrorism research and critical terrorism studies.			
Name of Programme	Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS)			
Name of University	Otto-von-Guericke-University Magdeburg			
Name of Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Alexander Spencer			
Responsible University lecturer	Prof. Dr. Alexander Spencer			
Credit Points	SWS	Attendance (h)	Self-study (h)	Total workload (h)
4 or 6	2	28	72 (4CP) & 122 (6CP)	100h (4CP) & 150h (6CP)
Start & end dates, WS		timeslot		
29.10.2020 – 04.02.2021		Thursdays, 9.00 to 11.00, 1 or 2 face-to-face sessions will be held in Magdeburg		
Registration until		Number of possible AGEP participants		
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Content and goals of qualification	Over a decade after 9/11 terrorism research has established itself as an interdisciplinary subfield within political science covering insights from history, psychology, sociology and law. The course will offer detailed analysis of the problems and key debates in terrorism research. It will focus on issues of conceptualization, historical development, theoretical explanations and questions regarding counter-terrorism as well as the limitations within the field from both perspectives of traditional terrorism research and critical terrorism studies. As all the presentations and class discussion will be in English, a solid command of the language will be a prerequisite for joining the class.			
Preconditions for participation	30 ECTS in the social sciences			
Teaching Methods	Class discussions, debate & group work			

lesson format (online/face-to-face)	Hybrid: Online, once a week (14 weeks), 1 or 2 face-to-face sessions
Assessment method	Presentation (4CP) Presentation and Term paper (4000 word) (6CP)
language	English
Inscription external student	TBA