**Module title**  
Heritage and Innovation (Song-Qing) 1

**Abbreviation**  
04-CS-HI3-1-192-m01

**Module coordinator**  
holder of the Chair of East Asian Cultural Studies

**Module offered by**  
Institute of East and South Asian Cultural Studies

**ECTS**  
5

**Method of grading**  
Only after succ. compl. of module(s)

**Duration**  
1 semester

**Module level**  
graduate

**Other prerequisites**  
--

**Contents**

Important social and cultural developments and institutions, such as the civil examination system, basically began in the Song dynasty (960-1279) and appear to have continued to persist over much of the second millennium CE, until the end of the Qing dynasty (1644-1911). However, within this overall image of continuity and stability we find extensive histories of reform and change, aiming at the correction of perceived deficiencies or the adaptation to new challenges and developments. This module provides the framework for courses that emphasize the long durée in China’s cultural history, from the Song to the Qing, looking at the cultural histories of social groups and institutions, identifying major periods of crisis, and testing common patterns of periodization. Combining the survey of long-term developments with snapshots in time and case studies, it introduces a selection of source materials and an appropriate range of research literature.

**Intended learning outcomes**

This module develops students’ insights into long-term changes and developments in China’s social and cultural history, as they learn to consider both continuity and change. They acquire deepened skills in handling source materials from a wide historical range.

**Courses**

(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

S (3)

Module taught in: English and Chinese

**Method of assessment**

(type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

a) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 15 minutes) or b) written examination (approx. 60 minutes)

Language of assessment: English and Chinese

creditable for bonus

**Allocation of places**

--

**Additional information**

--

**Referred to in LPO I**

(examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

--

**Module appears in**

Master’s degree (1 major) Chinese Studies (2019)

Master’s degree (1 major) Chinese Politics and Society (2019)

Master’s degree (1 major) China Business and Economics (2021)

Master’s degree (1 major) China Language and Economy (2021)