

<b>Module title</b>		<b>Abbreviation</b>
Master-Thesis Chinese Studies		04-CS-MA-172-m01
<b>Module coordinator</b>		<b>Module offered by</b>
holder of the Chair of Contemporary Chinese Studies and holder of the Chair of East Asian Cultural Studies		Institute of East and South Asian Cultural Studies
<b>ECTS</b>	<b>Method of grading</b>	<b>Only after succ. compl. of module(s)</b>
30	numerical grade	--
<b>Duration</b>	<b>Module level</b>	<b>Other prerequisites</b>
1 semester	graduate	--
<b>Contents</b>		
<p>This module provides the framework for the writing of the Master thesis, which is an autonomously written research paper with an average length of around 80 pages, to be completed within six months. Students develop and specify the topic of their Master thesis based on their own research interests and in close cooperation with their main advisor, who offers advice on major problems and supports the students' bibliographical and material searches, the development of a research focus, the selection of sources, as well as a suitable structure of contents. The research and writing process is based on a draft outline and a time plan. At the final stages, the advisor enforces the observance of the formal and technical standards of academic writing, as well as an acceptable level of language and style.</p>		
<b>Intended learning outcomes</b>		
<p>By writing their Master thesis, students give proof to their acquired ability to do research on a topic of their own choice and to present their insights in a state-of-the-art way. In the working process, they further develop their skills in planning, time management, researching, drafting, writing and revising an academic thesis of some length, according to the formal and technical standards, and in a proper language and style.</p>		
<b>Courses</b> (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
No courses assigned to module		
<b>Method of assessment</b> (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
<p>Master's thesis (approx. 80 pages) Language of assessment: English</p>		
<b>Allocation of places</b>		
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<b>Additional information</b>		
Time to complete: 6 months.		
<b>Workload</b>		
900 h		
<b>Teaching cycle</b>		
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<b>Referred to in LPO I</b> (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)		
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<b>Module appears in</b>		
Master's degree (1 major) Chinese Studies (2017)		