

Module title		Abbreviation
Contemporary Society in Transformation 2		04-CS-TCC2-2-192-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
holder of the Chair of Contemporary Chinese Studies		Institute of East and South Asian Cultural Studies
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
5	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	--
Contents		
<p>Building on the earlier class on contemporary Chinese society, this module provides a detailed analysis of current social trends in China. Starting at an advanced level the course will focus on either of the following aspects of Chinese society: social stratification and inequality (social groups and status, differentiation and inequality), shifting social identities (subjective perspectives on social stratification, the emergence of new social groups and transformation of existing ones, categories of social belonging in China), ethnicity and ethnic relations (ethnic identities, historical and comparative perspectives, ethnoregionalism and development), population and family policies (demographic trends and population policies, birth control and family dynamics, population aging and old-age support, social security and social safety net).</p>		
Intended learning outcomes		
<p>Students receive a systematic introduction to research on China's society, learn about relevant theoretical and methodological approaches and the necessary sources. They are acquainted with the current scholarly debates in the field and cutting-edge research. This will prepare them for the writing of their Master's theses.</p>		
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)		
<p>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</p>		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
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Workload		
150 h		
Teaching cycle		
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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)		
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Module appears in		
<p>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) Master's degree (1 major) Chinese Politics and Society (2025) Master's degree (1 major) China Business and Economics (2025)</p>		



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