

Module title		Abbreviation
Contemporary Political Economy A		04-CS-TCC3A-172-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>China's gradualist economic reforms led to an incremental "growing out of the plan" and transition towards the ideal of a "socialist market economy." However, parts of the state-owned industries and crucial state-economy linkages were maintained. At the same time, new forms of regulating and steering the economy had to be devised by the government to adapt to the increasingly marketized environment. These new institutions of an emerging "regulatory state" are, however, not the result of a well-coordinated and rationally planned reform strategy. On the contrary, they are an outgrowth of intensely contentious political and social processes. Classes offered in this sub-module address China's changing political economy in the form of an overview of different aspects of China's political economy in transformation (such as rural political economy, urban economic reforms. Financial sector development, economic policies and regulation).</p>		
Intended learning outcomes		
<p>Students familiarize themselves with current trends and developments in China's political economy. This is achieved on the basis of critical reading of primary and secondary academic sources on Chinese politics in Chinese and English. Students systematically train the critical assessment and evaluation of research findings, relevant theories and empirical methodologies in this field. Classroom discussions of texts impart debate skills while the written term paper allows for students to exercise writing an academic exposition based on properly selected sources.</p>		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language – if other than German)		
S (2) 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		
Master's degree (1 major) Chinese Studies (2017)		

