

Module title		Abbreviation
Sustainability in the Public Sphere A		o6-SoWiNa-NÖA-212-mo1
Module coordinator		Module offered by
holder of the Professorship of Sociology and Qualitative Research		Institute for Political Science and Sociology
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
5	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	May not be combined with o6-SoWiNa-NÖB.
Contents		
Sustainable politics is connected to democratic decision-making procedures and to the integration of publics in these procedures. But in which ways are publics established in practice? This module is going to address this question. On the one hand, diverse theoretical and empirical approaches to the analysis of publics will be discussed. On the other hand, the influence of media on public processes will be evaluated. Subsequently, the question arises how publics are intertwined with sustainable practices of decision-making.		
Intended learning outcomes		
Students of this module will be given a general review of sustainable public practices. The acquired insights will be helpful to a deeper theoretical understanding of basic assumption of the sociology of the public. At the same time, they can be used as preliminaries to independent qualitative research. Finally, skills concerning the underlying claims of the sociology of media are going to be strengthened.		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language – if other than German)		
S (2) Module taught in: German and/or English and potentially other language		
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) written examination (approx. 90 minutes, numerical grade), b) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 30 minutes, numerical grade), c) term paper (approx. 25 pages, numerical grade), d) presentation (approx. 30 minutes, numerical grade) and term paper (approx. 25 pages, numerical grade), weighted 1:4, e) portfolio (approx. 50 hours total, numerical grade), f) research report (approx. 15 pages, numerical grade) Language of assessment: German and/or English and potentially other language creditable for bonus		
Allocation of places		
5 places. There are no restrictions with regard to available places for students of Social Sustainability Sciences (Master's, 120, 45 ECTS credits). The number specified is the total number of places that will be allocated to students of other degree subjects in the SFB (list of modules) of which this module is listed. Should the number of applications exceed the number of available places, places will be allocated according to the number of subject semesters. Among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated by lot as they become available.		
Additional information		
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Workload		
150 h		
Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)		
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Module appears in		
Master's degree (1 major) Social Science Sustainability Studies (2021)		