

Module title		Abbreviation
Current Topics in Ethics and Theory of Science		o8-MBC-CTE-212-mo1
Module coordinator		Module offered by
chairperson of examination committee Master Biochemie (Biochemistry)		Chair of Biochemistry
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
5	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	--
Contents		
<p>This module is a platform for discussion of current philosophical issues regarding science and in particular life sciences and their application. Topics may range from practical ones, including political, societal or ethical issues, to more theoretical ones. Possible topics are, for example, ethical doubts about genome editing, science denial by conspiracy theories and politicians or the relation of faith and science. Participants are welcome to suggest topics and texts and the group will agree on an agenda in week 1.</p>		
Intended learning outcomes		
<p>Students can identify practical or theoretical philosophical questions that relate to the sciences. They have working knowledge allowing them to pursue a rational discussion.</p>		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
<p>0 (3) Teaching cycle: Course offered every year, summer semester Module taught in: German and/or English</p>		
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) written examination (approx. 45 to 90 minutes) or b) term paper (8 to 12 pages) or c) oral examination of one candidate each (20 to 30 minutes) or d) oral examination in groups of up to 3 candidates (15 to 30 minutes per candidate) or e) presentation (20 to 40 minutes) Language of assessment: German and/or English Assessment offered: Once a year, summer term</p>		
Allocation of places		
<p>Biochemie (Biochemistry), Master's: 30 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.</p>		
Additional information		
<p>Regular participation in the exercises (at least 80% attendance) is a prerequisite for participation in the exam.</p>		
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) Biochemistry (2019)		