

Module title		Abbreviation
Quantum Loop Gravity		11-QSG-102-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
Managing Director of the Institute of Theoretical Physics and Astrophysics		Faculty of Physics and Astronomy
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
4	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	Certain prerequisites must be met to qualify for admission to assessment. The lecturer will inform students about the respective details at the beginning of the course. Registration for the course will be considered a declaration of will to seek admission to assessment. If students have obtained the qualification for admission to assessment over the course of the semester, the lecturer will put their registration for assessment into effect. Students who meet all prerequisites will be admitted to assessment in the current or in the subsequent semester. For assessment at a later date, students will have to obtain the qualification for admission to assessment anew.
Contents		
Aside from string theory, quantum loop gravity (QLG) is one of the most important approaches to a quantum mechanical description of gravity. General relativity is formulated in Hamiltonian formalism and the elemental variables are identified with the corresponding Poisson brackets. These variables are quantised in the typical manner on discretised graphs, so-called spin networks. In doing so, e.g. a quantisation of elemental volumes appears. Therefore, QLG belongs to the speculative theories which paint a picture of the constitution of space and time.		
Intended learning outcomes		
The students know the principles of quantum loop gravity. They have acquired advanced knowledge of a selected topic and have proved their knowledge in a seminar presentation.		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
V + S (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)		
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) or b) oral examination of one candidate each or oral examination in groups (approx. 30 minutes per candidate, for modules with less than 4 ECTS credits approx. 20 minutes) or c) project report (approx. 8 to 10 pages, time to complete: 1 to 4 weeks) or d) presentation/seminar presentation (approx. 30 minutes) Assessment offered: When and how often assessment will be offered depends on the method of assessment and will be announced in due form under observance of Section 32 Subsection 3 ASPO (general academic and examination regulations) 2009. Language of assessment: German, English		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
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Workload		
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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) Physics (2010)
Master's degree (1 major) Physics (2011)
Master's degree (1 major) Mathematical Physics (2012)
Master's degree (1 major) FOKUS Physics (2010)
Master's degree (1 major) FOKUS Physics (2011)
Master's degree (1 major) FOKUS Physics (2006)