



Subdivided Module Catalogue
for the Subject
with the degree "Zertifikatsprogramm als weiterbildendes
Studium"
(60 ECTS credits)

Examination regulations version: 2025
Responsible: University of Würzburg

Course of Studies - Contents and Objectives

The certificate program Synopsis is offered under the responsibility of the president of JMU as further education study program according to article 78 paragraph 1, sentence 2, no. 2, letter b) BayHIG.

The aim of the certificate program is to provide insights into different scientific cultures and the fundamentals of interdisciplinary scientific work before choosing an undergraduate degree program. This prepares students for subsequent specialized studies while also enriching them with cross-sectional or meta-competence. Furthermore, the connections between an interdisciplinary understanding of science and social issues are explored and tested in theory and practice.

Based on the study programme a certificate for the certificate programme Synopsis will be issued after all required module achievements have been completed in accordance with this FSB.

Abbreviations used

Course types: **E** = field trip, **K** = colloquium, **O** = conversatorium, **P** = placement/lab course, **R** = project, **S** = seminar, **T** = tutorial, **Ü** = exercise, **V** = lecture

Term: **SS** = summer semester, **WS** = winter semester

Methods of grading: **NUM** = numerical grade, **B/NB** = (not) successfully completed

Regulations: **(L)ASPO** = general academic and examination regulations (for teaching-degree programmes), **FSB** = subject-specific provisions, **SFB** = list of modules

Other: **A** = thesis, **LV** = course(s), **PL** = assessment(s), **TN** = participants, **VL** = prerequisite(s)

Conventions

Unless otherwise stated, courses and assessments will be held in German, assessments will be offered every semester and modules are not creditable for bonus.

Notes

Should there be the option to choose between several methods of assessment, the lecturer will agree with the module coordinator on the method of assessment to be used in the current semester by two weeks after the start of the course at the latest and will communicate this in the customary manner.

Should the module comprise more than one graded assessment, all assessments will be equally weighted, unless otherwise stated below.

Should the assessment comprise several individual assessments, successful completion of the module will require successful completion of all individual assessments.

In accordance with

the general regulations governing the degree subject described in this module catalogue:

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associated official publications (FSB (subject-specific provisions)/SFB (list of modules)):

12-Mar-2025 (2025-20)

This module handbook seeks to render, as accurately as possible, the data that is of statutory relevance according to the examination regulations of the degree subject. However, only the FSB (subject-specific provisions) and SFB (list of modules) in their officially published versions shall be legally binding. In the case of doubt, the provisions on, in particular, module assessments specified in the FSB/SFB shall prevail.

The subject is divided into

Abbreviation	Module title	ECTS credits	Method of grading	page
Compulsory Courses (50 ECTS credits)				
oo-SYN-DON-GKM-252-mo1	Thinking without a net and a double bottom: paradigms and methods of science - "Mind, Culture, Media"	5	B/NB	5
oo-SYN-DON-NLT-252-mo1	Thinking without a net and a double bottom: paradigms and methods of science - "Nature, Life, Technology"	5	B/NB	7
oo-SYN-DON-GWR-252-mo1	Thinking without a net and a double bottom: paradigms and methods of science - "Society, Business, Law"	5	B/NB	6
oo-SYN-ZID-252-mo1	Building bridges: Interdisciplinary discussion of core topics	5	B/NB	14
oo-SYN-KU-252-mo1	Cosmos University - Study and life after Synopsis	5	B/NB	12
oo-SYN-IP-252-mo1	Interdisciplinary project	10	B/NB	11
38-MUP-A-252-mo1	Meta-skills and personal development A	5	B/NB	15
38-MUP-B-252-mo1	Meta-skills and personal development B	5	B/NB	16
oo-SYN-TRAP-252-mo1	Knowledge creates society: My transfer project	5	B/NB	13
Compulsory Electives (10 ECTS credits)				
oo-SYN-HOS-GKM-252-mo1	Work shadowing in selected undergraduate programmes - "Mind, Culture, Media"	5	B/NB	8
oo-SYN-HOS-NLT-252-mo1	Work shadowing in selected undergraduate degree programmes - "Nature, Life, Technology"	5	B/NB	10
oo-SYN-HOS-GWR-252-mo1	Work shadowing in selected undergraduate programmes - "Society, Business Law"	5	B/NB	9

Module title			Abbreviation
Thinking without a net and a double bottom: paradigms and methods of science - "Mind, Culture, Media"			00-SYN-DON-GKM-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
Contents			
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
S (2)			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
portfolio (2-4 pages)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Additional information on module duration: The seminar ist usually taught as block event.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title			Abbreviation
Thinking without a net and a double bottom: paradigms and methods of science - "Society, Business, Law"			00-SYN-DON-GWR-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
S (2)			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
portfolio (2-4 pages)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Additional information on module duration: The seminar ist usually taught as block event.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title			Abbreviation
Thinking without a net and a double bottom: paradigms and methods of science - "Nature, Life, Technology"			00-SYN-DON-NLT-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
S (2)			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
portfolio (2-4 pages)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Additional information on module duration: The seminar ist usually taught as block event.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title			Abbreviation
Work shadowing in selected undergraduate programmes - "Mind, Culture, Media"			00-SYN-HOS-GKM-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
No courses assigned to module Type and length of the course as specified by the regulations of the respective undergraduate degree program.			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
talk (approx. 15 minutes)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Attending courses in selected undergraduate degree programs. Before attending the course, approval must be obtained from the person responsible for the module. If necessary, additional completion of a module examination from the respective undergraduate degree program.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title			Abbreviation
Work shadowing in selected undergraduate programmes - "Society, Business Law"			00-SYN-HOS-GWR-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
No courses assigned to module Type and length of the course as specified by the regulations of the respective undergraduate degree program.			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
talk (approx. 15 minutes)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Attending courses in selected undergraduate degree programs. Before attending the course, approval must be obtained from the person responsible for the module. If necessary, additional completion of a module examination from the respective undergraduate degree program.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title			Abbreviation
Work shadowing in selected undergraduate degree programmes - "Nature, Life, Technology"			00-SYN-HOS-NLT-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
No courses assigned to module Type and length of the course as specified by the regulations of the respective undergraduate degree program.			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
talk (approx. 15 minutes)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Attending courses in selected undergraduate degree programs. Before attending the course, approval must be obtained from the person responsible for the module. If necessary, additional completion of a module examination from the respective undergraduate degree program.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title		Abbreviation
Interdisciplinary project		00-SYN-IP-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
--		University of Würzburg
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
10	(not) successfully completed	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	--	--
Contents		
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Intended learning outcomes		
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
R (3)		
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)		
project (in particular planning, implementation and presentation of an interdisciplinary conference, approx. 45 hours total)		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
Additional information on module duration: The project is usually taught in whole or in part as block event.		
Workload		
300 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		
(2025)		

Module title			Abbreviation
Cosmos University - Study and life after Synopsis			00-SYN-KU-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
Contents			
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
S (2) + T (1)			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
portfolio (2-4 pages)			
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			
(2025)			

Module title			Abbreviation
Knowledge creates society: My transfer project			00-SYN-TRAP-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
S (1) + P (0)			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
talk (approx. 15 minutes)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Additional information on module duration: The seminar is usually taught as block event. Duration of Internship: at least 4 weeks. Before the placement, approval must be obtained from the person responsible for the module. Approval is granted if the internship position meets the general suitability to enable the students to acquire skills.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title			Abbreviation
Building bridges: Interdisciplinary discussion of core topics			00-SYN-ZID-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
Contents			
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
S (2) + E (1)			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
a) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes) or b) portfolio (2-4 pages)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Additional information on module duration: The seminar ist usually taught as block event. Excursion, if necessary, during the lecture-free period.			
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			
(2025)			

Module title		Abbreviation
Meta-skills and personal development A		38-MUP-A-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
--		University of Würzburg
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
5	(not) successfully completed	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	--	--
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Intended learning outcomes		
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
Ü (2)		
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)		
portfolio (approx. 5 pages)		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
Additional information on module duration: The exercise is usually taught as block event. Excursion, if necessary, during the lecture-free period.		
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		
(2025)		

Module title			Abbreviation
Meta-skills and personal development B			38-MUP-B-252-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by	
--		University of Würzburg	
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)	
5	(not) successfully completed	--	
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites	
1 semester	--	--	
Contents			
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Intended learning outcomes			
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)			
Ü (2)			
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module can be chosen to earn a bonus)			
portfolio (approx. 5 pages)			
Allocation of places			
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Additional information			
Additional information on module duration: The exercise is usually taught as block event. Excursion, if necessary, during the lecture-free period.			
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			
(2025)			