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Program for Undergraduate Research Experience at LMU Munich (PURE^{LMU})

Program Details:

- participation in ongoing research as part of the exchange
- full-time or part-time (approx. 10-20 hours per week) depending on the preferred project and the availability of research opportunities
- possible for one or two semesters
- students are encouraged to also attend courses
- courses may be taken in any department
- if the application for a research project is unsuccessful, the student still has the option to take regular courses as an exchange student

PURE^{LMU} Requirements:

- exchange students must be nominated by their International Office (printed application form, signed by the exchange coordinator)
- must be in their 3rd or 4th year at the time of their stay at LMU Munich
- GPA at least B+
- must fulfill the project-specific requirements
- must provide a letter of motivation for each preferred research option
- must provide a letter of reference from the home department confirming that the candidate meets the requirements for the preferred research option(s)

PURE^{LMU} Application Procedure:

- students interested in PURE^{LMU} should check their eligibility for the exchange with their International Office before making inquiries about particular projects
- students need to apply online through the link provided by the International Office of LMU Munich (please note that this is not the standard exchange student application form) to the International Office of their home university
- documents to be submitted with the application: transcript, letter of motivation, letter of reference
- students can identify two research options, any offer will be limited to one option
- applications will be forwarded to the supervisor(s) of the preferred research option(s)
- successful applications will be processed as standard exchange applications

PURE^{LMU} Nomination and Application Deadline:

- PURE^{LMU} candidates must submit all documents by our exchange nomination deadline (April 15 for winter, October 15 for summer) to allow for review of the application by faculty
- Students need not submit their choice of courses until the PURE^{LMU} application has been accepted.

Scholarships for 2020/21:

- one scholarship of Euro 650/month for a full year (or, alternatively, two semester scholarships)
- further scholarships are subject to availability

Contact:

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Available Options

American Studies (AMST)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
AMST 2020/21 - 1	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
<p>Drowned Cities: This project looks at the fate of cities that have been partially or completely destroyed by natural catastrophes. What has happened to their inhabitants? Where did they move? What happened to cities that were relocated. How has the social composition of an affected city changed after the destructive impact? What were the cultural consequences? How are such vanished places remembered (if at all)? The project will focus on the history of river floods along the Mississippi and Ohio rivers but will also include other case studies, mostly from the US and Canada.</p>	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to identify secondary and primary (published) sources relevant to the project • to identify archives and archival holdings relevant to the project (and eventually get in touch with the archivists) • read and excerpt primary documents (in English) • write short essays on specific subjects relevant to the project 	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
<p>Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation concerning for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.</p> <p>Project-specific: none</p>	
6) Duration of the Project	
Full year or semester exchanges (semester exchange only if student starts in the summer)	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
10-20	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student

Business Administration (BUS)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
BUS 2020/21 - 1	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
Research Area: Decentralized Smart Assistants and Technology Adoption;	
Design Science Research Project: Development of a decentralized and Open Source-based Smart Assistant (SA) Prototype for a leading European retail company;	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
The project involves the development of a decentralized, privacy-preserving SA prototype and iterative evolution of the prototype through field experiments. It can additionally involve literature review and the consideration of models on technology adoption (e.g. TAM, UTAUT 2).	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: Experience in coding (preferred languages: Python, Java), data analysis or with experiments	
6) Duration of the Project	
Full year or semester exchanges	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
18-20	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student
11) Additional Comments	
For working on the project the student will need to be ready to sign a non-disclosure agreement with the project partners	

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
BUS 2020/21 - 2	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
Empirical research in education economics / vocational education and training	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct a literature review related to the topic of the research project. • Assist the research team with data cleaning and calculating descriptive statistics. • Carry out simple regression models (depending on prior knowledge of the research intern possibly also more advanced econometric or machine learning models). 	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3 rd or 4 th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: Studies in management with a focus on HR or in economics with a focus on labor or education economics, successful completion of a basic econometrics course, basic knowledge of statistical programming (e.g., Stata or R)	
6) Duration of the Project	
Full year or semester exchanges (if semester exchange only Winter semester)	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
10-20	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
BUS 2020/21 - 3	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
Generally, our research focuses on human resource management, strategic human capital and organizational behavior. We predominantly use field data, conduct field and lab experiments, and favor econometric and quantitative methods. Currently, we are investigating the effect of transparency in pay and performance on different individual outcomes, such as performance, fairness perceptions, creativity, and cooperation.	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
During your stay, you will work at the intersection of strategy, economics and psychology and gain insight into an ongoing research project. During your research experience, you will be given responsibilities for literature reviews, assist in designing and conducting lab experiments, and do data analyses using Stata and/or R.	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: Theoretical knowledge in Human Resource Management/Organizational Behavior; sound methodological knowledge (laboratory experiments and regression analysis)	
6) Duration of the Project	
Semester exchanges only	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
10-20	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
BUS 2020/21 - 4	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
Risk Management and Insurance	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
Support of research projects, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistance in literature reviews • Support with data collection and preparation • Conducting parts of project analysis (depending on statistical knowledge of intern) • Proof reading of working papers 	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: Knowledge of and interest in risk management and/ or insurance (prior classes or internships); Experience in academic literature search and review (e.g., written own seminar paper); Basic knowledge of statistical programming (e.g., Stata or R); Experience in Excel, Word and (ideally, but not necessarily) in Latex	
6) Duration of the Project	
Semester exchanges only	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
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1) Project ID		2) Contact Details	
BUS 2020/21 - 5		Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de	
3) Ongoing Research			
Digital Transformation of Companies (Management Concepts and Digitization, Digitization of Media Companies), Personal ICT, AI-Based Information Systems			
4) Tasks of the Research Intern			
The research intern will work on a project related to the digital transformation of companies, possibly with a focus on data-driven business models. However, the specific project still needs to be clarified. The intern will support an empirical study in this context and potentially take over responsibility for an own sub-project. We also try to consider individual interests and competences.			
5) Academic Requirements for the Project			
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.			
Project-specific: Interest and basic knowledge in digital transformation as well as empirical research			
6) Duration of the Project			
Semester exchanges only			
7) Start Date (approx.)		8) End Date (approx.)	
Summer semester: April 12, 2021		Summer semester: July 16, 2021	
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)		10) Flexibility of Working Hours	
10-20		Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student	

Communication Science/Media Studies (COMM)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
COMM 2020/21 - 1	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
<p>The Worlds of Journalism Study was founded in 2010 to assess the state of journalism throughout the world. The study's main objective is to help journalism researchers, media practitioners and policy makers better understand the worldviews and changes that are taking place in the professional views of journalists, the conditions and limitations under which journalists operate, and the social functions of journalism in a changing world. (https://worldsofjournalism.org/)</p>	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<p>Research Interns will participate in ongoing research projects carried out by faculty members; tasks include supporting the literature review, construction and testing of research tools, collection and analysis of data, and production of research reports. Teaching staff will make an effort to tailor the nature and quantity of tasks to fit the skills, experience, and interest of Research Interns.</p>	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
<p>Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.</p>	
<p>Project-specific: Required: knowledge of journalism studies, Preferred: expertise in survey research</p>	
6) Duration of the Project	
<p>Full year or semester exchanges</p>	
7) Semester and Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
<p>Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021</p>	<p>Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021</p>
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
<p>15</p>	<p>Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student</p>

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
COMM 2020/21 - 2	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
<p>The Junior Research Group "Digital Democratic Mobilization in Hybrid Media Systems" (DigiDeMo) addresses the question of what makes successful political campaigns in a hybrid media environment. On the one hand, it focusses on message format, content and technical distribution channels, while on the other hand it focusses on media use and effects during election campaigns and political communication apart from elections. The project aims at a broader scientific understanding of the political implications of digitalization and deeper insights as to how digital instruments could promote democratic development. At the core of DigiDeMo is an integration of applied computer science and communication research.</p>	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<p>The applicant will work on the current subprojects, like implementing content analyses, surveys, experiments or eye-tracking studies as well as theoretical conceptualizing or data analysis and will get insights into the whole variety of scientific project work.</p>	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
<p>Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.</p>	
<p>Project-specific: The applicant should have great interest in political communication and campaigning. Knowledge about empirical methods of social sciences or a background in computer or data science is helpful but not necessary. As the project implements an interdisciplinary perspective on research, greater interest in computational social science is beneficial.</p>	
6) Duration of the Project	
Full year or semester exchanges	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
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9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
10	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
COMM 2020/21 - 3	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
We are currently running research projects to the following topics: 1) Positive Media Psychology: Associations between media use, meaning-making and well-being 2) Incivility online, Propaganda, Hate Speech: Contents, Reception, Effects 3) Mobile Online Communication: Influence on (intimate) relationships	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
We offer an opportunity for students who are interested and bring advanced skills in methods and data analysis. In particular, computational methodologies such as topic modeling, automated content analysis or network analysis. We are applying such methodologies in our focus areas of research and are happy to offer students the possibility to work on such projects with us.	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: Students interested in joining our team for a one-year research project term will need to attest that they have successfully solved a course on advanced statistics and/or computational methods, as they will have to be confident in using the respective research tools (e.g. R, Python, ...). Students should also have first research experiences (e.g. experiences of conducting an own research project within a seminar in their home university).	
6) Duration of the Project	
Full year exchanges only	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020	Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
10-14	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student

English (ENG)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
ENG 2020/21 - 1	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
I do research in Modern English Linguistics. In my project TransGrimm I want to find out in what ways the fairy tales by the brothers Grimm were translated into English. How close are the most famous translations to the German originals? And are there established formulations everyone uses and knows? In order to find out, I have started to compile a so-called aligned translation corpus. That is a collection of German fairy tales with several English translations, which are placed side by side (roughly sentence by sentence) in a large Excel chart.	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
You will copy-paste the fairy tales into Word files, save them as txt files and produce a rough alignment using the software LF Aligner. The results will be published online as part of the freely accessible TransGrimm Corpus (in preparation). You will help lay the groundwork for future research e.g. in translation studies, and your research experience will make cultural heritage accessible in an unprecedented way. You will write a log file in which you note anything that strikes you as noteworthy, and we will discuss this from time to time. This means that you will also contribute to the analysis of the data, as your observations may constitute the point of departure for new research.	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: Interest in language and linguistics. You should enjoy working with texts and be able to work accurately. Since the rough alignment needs to be fine-tuned, you need to be able to understand the Grimms' fairy tales in German well enough to decide where a translated passage ends and where the next one begins (or if there has been an omission). Your understanding need not be perfect, though, because you can ask me your questions.	
6) Duration of the Project	
Full year or semester exchanges	
7) Semester and Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
10-20	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student
11) Additional Comments	
If your German is not good enough for this project, I have various other research projects in Modern English Linguistics, which do not require knowledge of German. If you are interested in those, please get in contact with me.	

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
ENG 2020/21 - 2	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
<p>Old English Runes and Runology</p> <p>The project deals with the runic script as a writing system within its historico-cultural context in a comprehensive way, focusing in particular on phonemic, graphematic and textpragmatic aspects. Apart from editorial work, research on runic monuments has hitherto concentrated predominantly on understanding the text of the individual inscriptions and their historicocultural interpretation. The runes as a writing system (respectively a group of writing systems) with different socio-cultural functions have rarely been in focus. Our project, in contrast, explicitly regards the runic script as a system evolved in various ways over the centuries, fulfilling various communicative functions within the different historical societies it was used in. It is thus the aim of the project to describe and analyze runic writing in a comprehensive way, transcending the boundaries of the three groups of runic writing systems (Common Germanic (= Older) futark, Younger futark and Anglo) traditionally adhered to in runological research and subjecting all three systems to uniform methods of investigation. In pursuing this perspective, the theoretical insights and categories of current writing research will be drawn on.</p>	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<p>The candidate will deal with various aspects of the Old English inscriptions (e.g., from the new find to an analysis of the object and inscription; the RuneS edition and data-base). He/she will be introduced to the field of runology and will learn "the ropes" of this complex research area. The student will carry out his/her own research project and will present it in a paper.</p>	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
<p>Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.</p>	
<p>Project-specific: The candidate should have successfully attended an introductory course to Old English and one more specific course in Old English. After his/her successful application the candidate will be provided with an introductory reading list about Old English runes. Working with runes is normally labour-intensive (see below point 9)</p>	
6) Duration of the Project	
Semester exchanges only	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
15-20	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student

History (HIST)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
HIST 2020/21 - 1	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
The Munich Open-access Cuneiform Corpus Initiative (MOCCI) is an international English-language research team studying the written heritage of the Ancient Near East, based in LMU's History Department.	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
You will assist in making available online the rich cuneiform text sources of ancient Mesopotamia (centred on modern Iraq and Syria) in a fully annotated, linguistically tagged, Open Access and Open Data format. You will help catalogue, annotate, contextualize, and disseminate ancient records in the Akkadian and Sumerian languages. Tasks may include adding/editing/improving catalogue metadata displayed with the online text editions; georeferencing the findspots of ancient artefacts for our interactive map interface Ancient Records of Middle Eastern Polities (ARMEP); writing/editing/improving introductory/informational webpages; and helping in the production of our book series Royal Inscriptions of the Neo-Babylonian Empire (RINBE), which provides a complete and authoritative presentation of the works of the six kings of the Neo-Babylonian. With existing cuneiform knowledge, you will be able to help in linguistically tagging Akkadian or Sumerian texts. With background in programming/computer linguistics, you can assist in analyzing data exported from our projects in JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) and Text Encoding Initiative (TEI) formats. If you want to use your German, you can help translate English texts into German.	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the project in particular.	
Project-specific: Basic computer literacy and interest in ancient Near Eastern history, cultures or languages. Coding skills or knowledge of the Ancient Near East and/or Akkadian/ Sumerian are a plus, not a prerequisite.	
6) Duration of the Project	
Semester exchanges only	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Winter semester: October 12, 2020 Summer semester: April 12, 2021	Winter semester: February 5, 2021 Summer semester: July 16, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
15	Reasonably flexible, working hours can fit around the class schedule of the student
11) Additional Comments	
The MOCCI team is an international team comprising members from North America and various European countries. Therefore, conversational level German is not a prerequisite.	

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
HIST 2020/21 - 2	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
The Collaborative Research Centre (CRC) aims to investigate the historical and cultural foundations of watchfulness. The CRC intends to elucidate how individuals were culturally motivated and guided to be watchful and how they interacted with political and social incentive systems as well as technical and institutional frameworks. In order to tap into the long history and wide variability of vigilance, which extends to the present day, the CRC relies on an interdisciplinary research effort that brings together perspectives from the fields of history and law, ethnology, the history of medicine as well as literature, art and drama.	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
The students will participate in a subproject. They will be assigned tasks (for historical research projects for instance: study of sources relevant for the project etc.) and will attend the meetings and workshops organized by the research project.	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: For nearly all work in a subproject at least a basic level knowledge of German will be necessary. Some subprojects require knowledge of other languages depending on their research focal point	
6) Duration of the Project	
Semester exchanges only	
7) Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
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9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
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11) Additional Comments	
There are 18 subprojects. Please identify the subproject you are interested in. The project website will be www.lmu.de/sfb1369 . It is currently under development and should be available from the end of October 2019	

Language and Literature Studies (other than English and American Studies) (LANG)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
LANG 2020/21 - 1	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
Linguistique française, littératures francophones, Français langue étrangère	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<p>L'Institut de Philologie Romane accueillera des étudiants effectuant une recherche dans l'un des domaines suivants :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Linguistique française, en particulier des projets portant sur le français québécois et/ou dans les domaines de la linguistique des variétés, de la linguistique cognitive ou de la linguistique diachronique ; b) Littératures francophones, en particulier des projets portant sur la littérature québécoise et/ou dans le domaine des théories de la littérature (comme, par exemple, les études post-coloniales ou les études de genre) ; c) Français langue étrangère, en particulier des projets portant sur les théories et/ou méthodes de l'enseignement de la grammaire, de la traduction allemand-français et français-allemand ainsi que de la civilisation des pays francophones. 	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.	
Project-specific: Les étudiant(e)s doivent être inscrit(e)s à un programme comparable à la philologie romane, c'est-à-dire des programmes de littérature comparée ou française, sciences du langage, français langue étrangère, langues étrangères appliquées ou traductologie (allemand-français). Une excellente maîtrise de la langue française est exigée (niveau min. C1 CECRL ou langue maternelle).	
6) Duration of the Project	
Un an ou un semestre	
7 Start Date (approx.)	8) End Date (approx.)
Semestre d'hiver: 12 octobre, 2020 Semestre d'été: 12 avril, 2021	Semestre d'hiver 5 février, 2021 Semestre d'été: 16 juillet, 2021
9) Expected Workload Hours/Week (approx.)	10) Flexibility of Working Hours
10-15	Horaires flexibles en fonction de l'emploi de temps.

Philosophy (PHIL)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
PHIL 2020/21 - 1	Dr. Harald David, International Office, LMU Munich, harald.david@lmu.de
3) Ongoing Research	
History of philosophy, especially medieval	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<p>This research project would involve supporting a monograph study by Prof. Peter Adamson, which deals with belief formation and authority in the medieval period. The successful applicant would have the opportunity to read widely on medieval philosophical literature, locating passages in both primary and secondary sources that are relevant to the topic of authority (including such issues as the authoritative status of religious and pagan sources, the authority claims made by women philosophers, and the clash of beliefs between different religious communities). The research project as a whole deals with texts from the Islamic world and Byzantium as well as Latin Christendom, but the researcher would not necessarily need to look at texts from all these cultures; it would rather depend on the researcher's own interests.</p>	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
<p>Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student's academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.</p>	
<p>Project-specific: Aside from the general requirements preference will be given to candidates who can read a language of medieval literature, especially either Arabic or Latin, and who are majors in a relevant field (philosophy, Islamic studies, medieval studies, perhaps history).</p>	
6) Duration of the Project	
Full year or semester exchanges	
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Politics (POL)

1) Project ID	2) Contact Details
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3) Ongoing Research	
<p>“International Arms Trade and Intrastate Conflict”</p> <p>This research project analyzes the effects of the international arms trade and military capabilities of governments as well as of rebel groups on intrastate conflicts. Using a variety of statistical approaches and tools, we examine whether and under which conditions arms imports 1) escalate latent intrastate conflicts or contribute to stabilization, 2) increase conflict intensity, 3) prolong or shorten conflicts, and 4) lead to higher extents of repression and human rights violations. The project also focuses on collecting data regarding the military endowment of non-state actors using document analysis of multiple sources.</p> <p>Our research assesses how imports of major conventional weapons and small arms affect intrastate conflicts, state repression and human rights violations, and how conflicts in turn impact the demand for weapons transfers. Thus, we contribute to the fundamental relationship between arms trade and conflicts. The results are valuable for a wide range of political debates, e.g. on how to design export guidelines that align with ethic criteria for responsible politics of exporting arms. More information under: https://www.gsi.uni-muenchen.de/lehreinheiten/le_policy_analysis/forschung/armstrade_intrastate/index.html</p>	
4) Tasks of the Research Intern	
<p>The student will be part of a research team consisting of BA-, MA-, PhD-students and Post-Docs. His/her research work will contribute to the publication of research articles in scientific journals. Our aim is to provide first-hand experience in every step of the research and publications process.</p>	
5) Academic Requirements for the Project	
<p>Standard: Nomination by International Office of home university, 3rd or 4th year student at the time of the exchange, GPA of at least B+, a letter of motivation for each preferred option, a letter of reference from the home department commenting on the student’s academic standing in general and the specific requirements for the chosen project in particular.</p>	
<p>Project-specific: The candidate should major in either political science, economics or statistics (or a closely related field). We expect the applicant to have successfully completed courses in basic statistics and linear regression analysis. Experience in working with quantitative data sets using either R or Stata is of advantage. The candidate should be interested in conflict research / international relations -- ideally having completed courses on these topics.</p>	
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