

Tübingen International & European Studies (T-IES) · Summer School August on Society and Identity

August 1 – August 29, 2025

STUDY TRACK A

“The EU in Permanent Crises? Perspectives, Challenges, Solutions”

This program deals with the political and societal dynamics of European Integration and with the EU as a unique multi-level political system. The past years have seen the EU facing a lot of criticism from various sides and a plethora of challenges threaten the community - internally and externally - and what held its societies together for a long time. Hence, courses cover the current challenges Europe and the EU face today: Brexit and the rise of nationalism; political fragmentation and radicalization; migration, religion and questions of identity, and war.

Course 1: “The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges” (Dr. Germana Favognano)

Course 2: “The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights” (Jan Battke)

STUDY TRACK B

“Representing the European Past in Cross-Cultural Communities”

This program delves into the political processes entailed in remembering and forgetting, introduces students to the commemorative landscape of the EU and explores possible solutions to the challenges facing European collective memory or what could be called Europe's culture of remembrance. Sessions will deal with what makes us remember some things while other facets of our lives and historical events are suppressed or hard to recollect. How does what we remember (and what we - choose to - forget) structure the reality that we live in - symbolically, physically, and politically? How is the past used (or abused) to serve the present needs of individuals and collectives in Europe today, where different concepts of identity oftentimes clash with the reality of cosmopolitan communities that are both ethnically and culturally diverse.

Course 1: “Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past” (Dr. Oleg Morozov)

Course 2: “Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices” (Lana Balorda)

BOTH TRACKS

Intercultural Workshop

German Language Courses (A1-A2)

WEEK 0	MORNING	NOON	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Fri, August 1	<i>All Day</i> Arrival and Registration in Tübingen Tba. Check-In (Accommodations)			
Sat, August 2	<u>10:00-12:00</u> Welcome Breakfast (in TÜ) (together with Buddies) Tba.	<u>12:00-13:00</u> Break	<u>13:00-open end</u> Time with Buddies (in Tü) (Lunch, individual city tour)	
Sun, August 3	FREE Time with Buddies in Tübingen and the surrounding area (optional)			

WEEK 1	MORNING	NOON	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Mon, August 4	<p>TRACK A <u>10:00-13:00</u> Intercultural Workshop and Getting to know each other</p> <p>TRACK B <u>10:00-11:30</u> Introduction to the Program and Tübingen Study Opportunities (Battke)</p>	<p>TRACK A <u>13:00-14:00</u> Lunch Break</p> <p>TRACK B <u>11:30-13:00</u> Lunch Break</p>	<p>TRACK B <u>13:00-16:00</u> Intercultural Workshop and Getting to know each other</p> <p>TRACK A <u>14:00-15:30</u> Introduction to the Program and Tübingen Study Opportunities (Battke)</p>	<p><u>17:00-19:00</u> Grand Opening of Summer School Tba.</p>
Tue, August 5	<p>Time with Buddies (in Tü) (Coffee/tea ...)</p>	<p><u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (I)</p> <p>A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano)</p> <p>B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)</p>	<p><u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (II)</p> <p>A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano)</p> <p>B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)</p>	
Wed, August 6	<p><u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (I) Tba.</p>	<p><u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (III)</p> <p>A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano)</p> <p>B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)</p>	<p><u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (IV)</p> <p>A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano)</p> <p>B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)</p>	<p><u>17:00-20:00</u> City Game</p>

<p>Thu, August 7</p>	<p><u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (II) Tba.</p>	<p><u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (V)</p> <p>A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano)</p> <p>B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)</p>	<p><u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (VI)</p> <p>A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano)</p> <p>B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)</p>	
<p>Fri, August 8</p>	<p><i>All Day</i> Study Trip to N.N. Separate Schedules available</p>			
<p>Sat, August 9</p>	<p>FREE</p>			
<p>Sun, August 10</p>	<p>Time with Buddies in Tübingen and the surrounding area (optional)</p>			

WEEK 2	MORNING	NOON	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Mon, August 11	<u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (III) Tba.	<u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (VII) A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano) B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)	<u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (VIII) A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano) B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)	
Tue, August 12	<u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (IV) Tba.	<u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (IX) FINAL EXAM A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano) B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)	<u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 1 (TRACK A & B) (X) SUMMARY AND EVALUATION A: The Struggle for Human Rights in Europe: Common Goals and Current Challenges (Favognano) B: Culture of Remembrance in the EU: Representing the Traumatic Past (Morozov)	
Wed, August 13	<i>All Day</i> Study Trip to N.N. (most likely Strasbourg (F)) (TRACK A & B together) Separate Schedule available			
Thu, August 14	FREE			
Fri, August 15	Optional Visit: Lake Constance with buddies Free if participant prefers to do things on their own			
Sat, August 16	FREE			
Sun, August 17	Time with Buddies in Tübingen and the surrounding area (optional)			

WEEK 3	MORNING	NOON	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Mon, August 18	<u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (V) Tba.	<u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (I) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	<u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (II) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	
Tue, August 19	<u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (VI) Tba.	<u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (III) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	<u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (IV) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	<u>18:00-20:00</u> Picnic in Bota
Wed, August 20	<i>All Day</i> Study Trip to N.N. Tba.			
Thu, August 21	FREE	<u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (V) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	<u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (VI) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	
Fri, August 22	FREE		Optional Visit: Castle Hohenzollern With buddies Free if participant prefers to do things on their own	
Sat, August 23	FREE			
Sun, August 24	Time with Buddies in Tübingen and the surrounding area (optional)			

WEEK 4	MORNING	NOON	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Mon, August 25	<u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (VII) Tba.	<u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (VII) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	<u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (VIII) A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	<u>18:00-19:00</u> Punting tour on the Neckar river
Tue, August 26	STUDY TIME / EXAM PREPARATION			
Wed, August 27	<u>09:00-10:30</u> German Language Courses (VIII) Tba.	<u>11:00-12:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (IX) FINAL EXAM A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	<u>14:00-15:30</u> Course 2 (TRACK A & B) (X) SUMMARY AND EVALUATION A: The EU in Constant Crisis? A Story of Identities and Rights (Battke) B: Europe as a Memoryland: Selective Memory and Place-Making Practices (Balorda)	
Thu, August 28	<u>11:00-12:00</u> Feedback T-IES Students Tba.	<u>13:00-14:00</u> Feedback Buddies Tba.	<u>17:00-19:00</u> Grand Farewell Tba.	
Fri, August 29	Departure Tba. Check-Out (Accommodations)			
Sat, August 30				
Sun, August 31				