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• **CDSS Workshop**

Fall 2009

Time Wednesday, 12:00 – 13:30 h

Place D 7, 307 (Political Science) B 6, A 1.02 (Sociology)

Description: The goal of this course is to provide support and crucial feedback for second and third year students on their ongoing dissertation project. In this workshop students are expected to play two roles. They should present their own work in order to receive feedback.

Each student is expected to give a progress report of where he or she stands right now. The format will be flexible to fit the specific needs of each student's project. I therefore will not assign formal discussants. You may present parts of your ongoing research, motivate questions about theory, concepts, measures, data, methods or research design. You may also bring in any other challenges you currently face with your dissertation research or try out potential framing strategies for a journal submission. Given that we have 20 sociology and political science students we agreed to organize separate meetings.

I suggest at least a short presentation (5-10 min) to facilitate each participant with a minimum of context about your work so that we can easily relate to the questions you might have for us later on and to help us providing you with additional feedback. Do not expect us to be specialists for your dissertation work. You may email us some additional material (at least a week in advance) if you think that this would help us provide feedback. As a general rule: Present as long as you need in order to help us understand the issues at stake in each week. Keep in mind that we also need some time to address all the issues you raise or other issues that potentially arise in the context of our discussion. My guess would be that short presentations (<10 min) as well as long presentation (>45 min) are less effective in provoking feedback from us.

Moreover, be prepared to provide a quick summary about what you have done so far towards your dissertation, what you have to do next and what is missing towards the defense of your dissertation.

Political Scientists:

14 October	Christian Arnold w/supervisor Berthold Rittberger
28 October	Patrick Bayer
4 November	Sebastian Köhler
11 November	Bettina Trüb w/supervisor Berthold Rittberger
18 November	Tanja Dannwolf
25 November	Gema Garcia Albacete w/supervisor Jan van Deth
2 December	Thomas Meyer
9 December	Heike Klüver w/supervisor Berthold Rittberger

Sociologists:

7 October	Jörg Neugschwender
14 October	Nadine Reibling
21 October	Thomas Biegert
28 October	Valeria Bordone w/supervisor Karsten Hank
4 November	Oshrat Hochman w/supervisor Hartmut Esser
11 November	Markus Klein
18 November	Katherin Barg
25 November	Michael Kühhirt
2 December	Michael Ortiz w/supervisor Bernhard Ebbinghaus
9 December	Volker Ludwig w/supervisor Josef Brüderl Kathrin Wohn w/supervisor Peter Mohler
16 December	Stephan Alexander Rompf