



## Doctoral College

### #OrganizingtheDigital

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Course Syllabus

“Theorizing the Digital”

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**Semester:** SS 2022  
**Course No.:** 800984  
**Lecturers:** Andrea Hemetsberger, Richard Weiskopf  
Theo Hug, Oliver Koll, Nicola Stokburger-Sauer

## Course Coordinating Team

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## Course Objectives

This course is designed to develop well-founded knowledge and transdisciplinary perspectives on digitization as well as foster the exchange among participants regarding their PhD projects. We will critically reflect and discuss papers that examine “the digital” from various angles and offer PhD candidates the possibility to discuss their project with the other students and the DP faculty.

The main objective of the course is to equip students with a transdisciplinary lens on digital phenomena and to establish a common basis of knowledge among the participants of the doctoral college #OrganizingtheDigital. Moreover, the specific setting of this course allows participants and faculty members of the DP to share knowledge, insights, develop a common interest and collective identity.

## Course Assignments and Evaluation

This course is divided in two parts. The first part will be held in the format of a reading group. The readings are assigned to students, who carefully read and critically evaluate the texts and foment a discussion among course participants. In every session two to three students act as discussant of the papers. All students are requested to thoroughly read the papers prior to attending the session in which it is discussed.

As a discussant, students are expected to *not* present the paper but rather to address the following three questions (one slide each):

- What are the key (theoretical) contributions of the text?
- What weaknesses and shortcomings can be identified?
- What new and open questions arise after reading the text?

and foster lively discussions among students and faculty in a friendly atmosphere.

The second part will be a PhD day, where volunteers have the possibility to present their PhD project and discuss it with their colleagues and the faculty.

After the course, participants must hand in a written reflection on which readings and presentations were of most relevance for the topic of their dissertation and why. The written course reflection of no more than two pages has to be handed in by June 30, 2022.

Overall grading will be based on the following assessments:

Discussant or thesis presentation	40%
Class participation	20%
Written course reflection	40%

## Schedule

<b>SS 2022</b>	<b>Content</b>	<b>Lecturers/Room</b>
<b>09.03.2022</b> <b>16:30–18:00</b>	<b>Short introductory lecture and discussion</b>	<b>Hemetsberger, Weiskopf</b>  BBB

<b>23.03.2022</b> <b>16:30-18:00</b>	<b>Session I</b>	<b>Richard Weiskopf</b>
Reading	Weiskopf, R. and Hansen, H.K. (2022): Algorithmic governmentality and the space of ethics: Examples from “People Analytics”. <i>Human Relations</i> – forthcoming  Etter, M., & Albu, O. B.(2021): Activists in the Dark: Social Media Algorithms and Collective Action in Two Social Movement Organizations. <i>Organization</i> , 28(1), 68-91. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1177/1350508420961532">https://doi.org/10.1177/1350508420961532</a>	BBB

<b>06.04.2022</b> <b>16:30-18:00</b>	<b>Session II</b>	<b>Theo Hug</b>
Readings	Hug, Theo (2019): Robots as Friends, Co-Workers, Teachers and Learning Machines – Metaphorical Analyses and Ethical Considerations. In: Eugenia <i>Smyrnova-Trybulska (ed.): E-learning and STEM Education</i> (Vol. 11, series on E-Learning, pp. 17–34). Katowice - Cieszyn: Studio No for University of Silesia  Student Paper “tba”	BBB

<b>04.05.2020</b> <b>16:30–18:00</b>	<b>Session III</b>	<b>Andrea Hemetsberger</b>
Readings	<p>Puntoni, S., Walker Reczek, R., Giesler, M. and Botti, S. (2021): Consumers and Artificial Intelligence: An Experiential Perspective. <i>Journal of Marketing</i>, 85(1) 131-151.</p> <p>Student Paper “tba”</p>	SR 12

<b>11.05.2022</b> <b>16:30–18:00</b>	<b>Session IV</b>	<b>Oliver Koll</b>
Readings	<p>Huang, M.-H. and Rust, R.T.(2020): A strategic framework for artificial intelligence in marketing. <i>Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science</i>, 49, 30–50.</p> <p>Aloisi, A. and De Stefano V. (2021). Essential jobs, remote work and digital surveillance: addressing the COVID-19 pandemic panopticon. <i>International Labour Review</i> – only online. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/ilr.12219">https://doi.org/10.1111/ilr.12219</a></p>	SR 12

<b>01.06.2022</b> <b>16:30–18:00</b>	<b>Session V</b>	<b>Nicola Stokburger-Sauer</b>
Readings	<p>Gupta, S. Leszkiewicz, A., Kumar, V., Bijmolt, T. and Potapov D. (2020): Digital Analytics: Modeling for Insights and new Methods. <i>Journal of interactive Marketing</i>, 51, 26-43.</p> <p>Denish Shah, B.P.S. Murthi (2021). Marketing in a data-driven digital world: Implications for the role and scope of marketing, <i>Journal of Business Research</i>, Volume 125, 772-779.</p>	SR 12

<p><b>15.06.2022</b> <b>09:30-16:00</b></p>	<p><b>PhD Presentations @Umbrügler Alm</b></p> <p><b>9:30 Monica Nadegger &amp; Milena Leybold</b> Poetic Speech acts and multi modality on Insta</p> <p><b>10:15 Aleksander Groth</b> Empirical findings</p> <p><i>10:00 Coffee Break</i></p> <p><b>10:30 Eva Kaczko</b> Critical thinking in the Col framework</p> <p><b>12:15 Victoria Sandor</b> Collapsing complexities</p> <p><i>13:00 Lunch Break</i></p> <p><b>14:00 Alexandra Moisi</b> Hosting spaces</p> <p><b>14:45 Joint Conclusion</b></p>	<p><b>Faculty</b></p>
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