Handbook of modules

for the

Research Master programme

Neurocognitive Psychology

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Introduction:

The Handbook of modules lists all modules of the MSc programme *Neurocognitive Psychology*. Each module description gives the following information:

- Name of the module
- Goals of the module
- Contents of the module
- The teaching methods of the module
- Requirements for participation within a module
- The effort for the student
- The number of credit points
- The method of assessment
- The person responsible

The research-oriented study programme lasts two years or four semesters during which a total of 120 CP must be achieved. It is composed of four parts. The general part contains five mandatory modules comprising 45 CP. The specialized part contains 10 modules from which students are free to choose at least three with a total of 24 CP. Two additional modules with a total of 12 CP ensure a recognition of a study period abroad. The programme further includes 12 CP for an external internship lasting 360 hours and 30 CP for completing the Master's thesis with the accompanying Master's colloquium. Another 9 CP must be acquired via a practical research project. The research components can be carried out in one of the Psychology labs at the University of Oldenburg or an external research group. The programme is designed in a modular fashion. The study structure offers increased flexibility to the students in the second half of their studies.

Please be aware that we strongly advise to attend at least one of the four modules psy170: Neurophysiology, psy270: fMRI Data Analysis, psy220: Human Computer Interaction, and psy280: Transcranial Brain Stimulation! Knowledge of either EEG, fMRI, HCI or TBS is essential for most practical projects and Master's theses offered in the Department of Psychology.

Work with patients or experimental data acquisition with participants generally require a very good command of German! Non-mandatory classes from clinicians are (partly) given in German. You can take German courses as your Minor.

Overview:

The Master's programme *Neurocognitive Psychology* has the following structure:

General part (mandatory):	**45 CP**
psy111 / psy112 Research methods I & II	2x 6 CP
psy121 Psychological Assessment and Diagnostics	12 CP
psy130 Communication of scientific results	6 CP
psy141 Minor	6 CP
psy240 Computation in Neuroscience	9 CP

Specialized part (choose 24 CP; taking psy170, psy270, psy220 or psy280 is strongly recommended):	**24 CP**
psy150 Clinical Psychology (partly in German)	9 CP
psy170 Neurophysiology	6 CP
psy181 Neurocognition	6 CP
psy190 Sex and Cognition	6 CP
psy201 Neuropsychology (partly in German)	6 CP
psy210 Applied Cognitive Psychology	6 CP
psy220 Human Computer Interaction	6 CP
psy270 Functional MRI Data Analysis	9 CP
psy280 Transcranial Brain Stimulation	6 CP
psy285 / psy286 Study Abroad I / II - Psychology/Neuroscience	2x 6 CP[1]

Practical part (mandatory):	**51 CP**
psy251 Internship or lab visit	12 CP
psy260 Practical project	9 CP[2]
mam Master's thesis (27 CP) and Master's colloquium (3 CP)	30 CP

Total:	**120 CP**

[1] Achievements from a study abroad can be recognized in these modules if the achievements are from the field of psychology or neuroscience at Master's level and the contents do not overlap with other elective or mandatory modules.

[2] Chose from Applied Neurocognitive Psychology, Biological Psychology, Psychological Methods and Statistics, Experimental Psychology, Neuropsychology, Ambulatory Assessment

Restriction in participant numbers apply for each elective module. There is no guarantee that students can take all modules of their choice.

Mastermodule

psy111 - Research methods I - Statistical Modeling

Module label	Research methods I - Statistical Modeling
Modulkürzel	psy111
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Hildebrandt, Andrea (Module responsibility) Hildebrandt, Andrea (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** After completion of this module, students will have basic knowledge in managing and understanding quantitative data and conducting a wide variety of multivariate statistical analyses. They can apply the statistical methodology in terms of good scientific practice and interpret, evaluate and synthesize empirical results in basic and applied research contexts. Students will be aware of statistical misconceptions and they can overcome them. **Competencies:** ++ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking ++ statistics & scientific programming ++ data presentation & discussion + independent research + scientific literature ++ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior ++ critical & analytical thinking ++ scientific communication skills + group work
Module contents	**Part 1: Multivariate statistical modeling** • Graphical representation of multivariate data • The Generalized Linear Modeling (GLM) framework • Multiple and moderated linear regression with quantitative and qualitative predictors • Logistic regression models • Multilevel regression (Generalized Linear Mixed Effects Modeling – GLMM) • Non-linear regression models (Polynomial regression, regression splines and local regression) • Path modeling • Factor analysis (exploratory & confirmatory) • Structural equation modeling (SEM; linear and non-linear) **Part 2: Multivariate statistical modeling with R (seminar)** • Data examples and applications of GLM, GLMM, polynomial, spline and local regression, path modeling, factor analyses and SEM
Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	The module will start every winter term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Parts 1: lecture; Parts 2: seminar; additional tutorials are offered.
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	Solid knowledge in basic statistics; otherwise please attend Introductory Course Statistics

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	end of winter term	The module will be tested with a written exam.
		Required active participation for gaining credits: attendance of at least 70% in the seminar (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	WiSe	28
Seminar		2	WiSe	28
Tutorial	statistics		WiSe	0
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy112 - Research methods II - Statistical Learning

Module label	Research methods II - Statistical Learning
Modulkürzel	psy112
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Hildebrandt, Andrea (Module responsibility) Hildebrandt, Andrea (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Building upon the basic knowledge in multivariate statistical modeling covered in psy111, after completion of this module students will know how to deal with big data to address empirical questions in neurocognitive psychology. They will be able to solve prediction and classification problems to the realm of basic and applied statistical/machine learning purposes. Furthermore, students will understand the specifics of applied research and the statistical modeling of noisy, longitudinal data. **Competencies:** ++ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking ++ statistics & scientific programming ++ data presentation & discussion + independent research + scientific literature ++ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior ++ critical & analytical thinking ++ scientific communication skills + group work
Module contents	**Part 1: Statistical / machine learning methods** • Supervised and unsupervised statistical learning and prediction • Resampling methods • Regularized regression • Linear and quadatic discriminant analysis • Naive Bayes algorithm • Tree-based methods • Support vector machines • The basics of neural networks • Principal component regression • Clustering methods **Part 2: Statistical / machine learning methods with R (voluntary seminar)** • Data examples and applications of the basic machine learning methods covered in the lecture **Part 3: Evaluation research (seminar)** • Paradigms and methods in applied evaluation research (quantitative, mixed-methods) • Types of studies and designs in evaluation research (experimental, quasi-experimental, (multiple) time series, etc.) • Multivariate statistical modeling of change over time and group differences in change • Specific statistical tools for sampling and matching (e.g., Propensity score matching) • Basics of causality theory and the estimation of average and conditional effects in EffectLiteR • Research synthesis and meta-analysis

Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	The module will start every summer term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)

Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory		
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture; Parts 2 and 3: seminars; additional tutorials are offered.		
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	psy 111 Research methods I – Statistical Modeling		

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	end of summer term	The module will be tested with an oral exam (25 min). Required active participation for gaining credits: attendance of at least 70% in the mandatory seminar (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	SoSe	28
Seminar	R seminar voluntary	2	SoSe	28
Tutorial	statistics		SoSe	0
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy121 - Psychological assessment and diagnostics

Module label	Psychological assessment and diagnostics
Modulkürzel	psy121
Credit points	12.0 KP
Workload	360 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Hildebrandt, Andrea (Module responsibility)
	Hildebrandt, Andrea (Prüfungsberechtigt)
	Hellmann, Andreas (Prüfungsberechtigt)
	Roheger, Mandy (Prüfungsberechtigt)
	Debener, Stefan (Module counselling)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	

Goals of module:
Students will acquire specific knowledge about psychological assessment, test theory and test construction, and will be trained to utilize this knowledge within a research or test development context and in applied settings. With respect to research applications they will learn about traditional and modern test theories and about their usage in the domain of applied psychometrics and the systematic design of interviews and observational methods. From the perspective of applied assessment, students will reflect on the assessment process as a whole. They will learn how to analyze cases ("case conceptualization"), how to plan and conduct the information assessment phase, how to record and summarize collected data and how to integrate across the multitude of information in order to draw conclusions about the case given specific diagnostic strategies (status vs. process assessment and norm oriented vs. criterion oriented assessment, including classificatory decisions). Finally, students will learn about the requirements of test and assessment report generation in written an oral form given a specific applied context. Ethical guidelines and quality norms will be an implicit topic in all courses in the module.

Competencies:
+ Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge
+ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking
+ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior
+ critical & analytical thinking

Module contents

Part 1: Introduction to Psychological Assessment (lecture): winter and summer
• Psychological assessment as a decision process – descriptive and prescriptive models
• Introduction to test theories (will be detailed in Part 3)
• Assessment methods, their construction and design, quality criteria
• The logic of decision making in the assessment process
• Classificatory decisions
• Psychometrics to single cases
• Summarizing results and writing reports

Part 2: Test Theory and Test Construction (lecture): winter and summer

• Classical test theory
• Generalizability theory
• Latent-State and Trait theory
• Latent variable models for different types of item responses
• Measurement invariance across groups and time
• Network modeling in psychometrics
• Preference modeling for constructing faking-resistant questionnaires and tests

Part 3: applied seminars: winter and summer (choose a or b)
a: The Assessment Process Applied OR
• Case conceptualization (neuropsychology and clinical psychology)
• Formulating hypotheses
• Selecting assessment procedures and planning administration
• Deciding upon decision rules for data integration
• Evaluating the application of assessment procedures
• Analyzing, summarizing and visualizing results
• Integrating results based on the decision rules
• Writing a psychological/assessment report

• Discussing a report with the client

b: Test Construction Applied
• Construct conceptualization
• Deciding upon the response format
• Item mining
• Item analysis
• Test quality report and test manual

Part 4: Assessment in Clinical Neuropsychology (seminar): summer
• specific knowledge
• exercises in testing / practising tests

Literaturempfehlungen	Will be specified in the courses.
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	The module will start every winter term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1 and 2: 2 lectures ; Part 3 and 4: seminars In both terms, lectures and seminars will alternate to intermingle theoretic and applied contents.
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	You should know basic statistical concepts as they are also covered in the introductory course statistics. Multivariate statistics is a prerequisite for the psychometric track.

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	Parts of the practical exercise need to be completed and handed in at specific dates during winter and summer term.	The module will be tested by a practical exercise (test application and protocol / test construction). Required active participation for gaining credits: • 2 presentations or test executions • handing in parts of the final report during the term • participation in discussions on other presentations • attendance of at least 70% in the seminars.

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		4	WiSe	56
Seminar		4	SoSe	56
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				112 h

psy130 - Communication of scientific results

Module label	Communication of scientific results
Modulkürzel	psy130
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Herrmann, Christoph Siegfried (Module responsibility) Herrmann, Christoph Siegfried (Prüfungsberechtigt) Strüber, Daniel (Prüfungsberechtigt) Roheger, Mandy (Prüfungsberechtigt) Boetzel, Cindy (Prüfungsberechtigt) Strüber, Daniel (Module counselling)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will acquire specific knowledge about the presentation of scientific results both orally and in writing. Students will learn modern techniques for presentation, literature research and writing skills. They will also be taught about arguing scientifically. **Competencies:** ++ data presentation & discussion ++ scientific literature ++ scientific English / writing ++ scientific communication skills + group work
Module contents	**Part 1: Communication of scientific results (seminar)** Literature search Presentation skills Writing skills **Part 2: Psychological colloquium** Experienced scientists from various psychological disciplines will be giving talks about their experimental results. Speakers will be invited also from other universities. Students are encouraged to discuss the results with the experts and to make suggestions on whom to invite
Literaturempfehlungen	- Sternberg, Robert (2000) Guide to Publishing in Psychology Journals, Cambridge University Press
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1-2 Semester
Module frequency	Part 1 will be offered every winter term. Part 2 will be offered every semester.
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	Students can chose whether they want to attend the colloquium in the first, second or both semesters.
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Communication of scientific results: seminar; Psychological colloquium: colloquium
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	during winter term	Oral presentation
		Required active participation for gaining credits: 70% attendance of the seminar and at least 8

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
		colloquia (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term) and active discussion in at least 1 colloqium.

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Seminar		2	WiSe	28
Colloquium		2	SoSe und WiSe	28
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy141 - Minor

Module label	Minor
Modulkürzel	psy141
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Rieger, Jochem (Module counselling)
	Bleichner, Kerstin (Module counselling)
	Rieger, Jochem (Prüfungsberechtigt)
	Gießing, Carsten (Prüfungsberechtigt)
	Puschmann, Sebastian (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	
	Goals of module: Students will gain an overview of non-psychological topics related to cognitive neuroscience and neuropsychology. They will see how psychological theories apply in other fields. Students can strengthen their own professional profile. **Competencies:** ++ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking
Module contents	
	Students can take Master modules and courses from the fields • Biology • Neurosciences • Computer Science • Physics • Mathematics • Pedagogy • Philosophy • related fields • Psychology (additional elective module (NOT psy170, psy220, psy270, psy280) or from another study programme) Students whose first language is not German, may take German classes. Upon approval, German-speaking students can attend a career-relevant language course (i.e. necessary for internship, practical project or Master's thesis). English classes cannot be taken as Minor. A list of already approved courses/modules can be found on our website. You can take other courses/modules upon approval. **We recommend taking modules/courses that strengthen your own professional profile.**
Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	List of approved courses/modules and approval form: https://uol.de/en/psychology/master/course-overview/ -> Supporting documents
Languages of instruction	English, German
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	irregular
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	PLEASE NOTE: If you want to take a module/course which is not listed in the list of approved courses/modules, please request approval BEFORE you start the course/module (list of

approved courses/modules and approval form can be found on our website)

If you want to take an additional elective module for your Minor (taking only a part of an elective module is not possible), you need to inform the contact person for the respective module in writing BEFORE the start of the module. If your request is NOT rejected in written form within 4 weeks, the module counts as approved for the Minor. You will receive a pass/fail for this module. You CANNOT use it afterwards as a normal elective module. You can also NOT rededicate an elective that you have already started as your Minor.

Bachelor level courses are NOT acceptable. Note that Bachelor level courses can be listed in some Master programmes (e.g. Master of Education). This does not qualify a Bachelor level course for the Minor module.

It is your responsibility to ask the teacher whether you can take part.

Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Lectures and seminars (depends on the chosen modules)
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module		If grades are earned in the minor, those are counted as pass/fail. Certificates for grades can be separately requested from the examination office.
Form of instruction	VA-Auswahl	
SWS	4	
Frequency	SoSe oder WiSe	
Workload Präsenzzeit	56 h	

psy150 - Clinical Psychology

Module label	Clinical Psychology
Modulkürzel	psy150
Credit points	9.0 KP
Workload	270 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Thiel, Christiane Margarete (Module responsibility) Thiel, Christiane Margarete (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	

Goals of the Module:
Students acquire scientifically sound, critical thinking regarding the genesis and psychopharmacological treatment of various mental illnesses; decision making based on the medical guidelines and evidence-based practice.

Competencies:
++ Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge
+ experimental methods
+ data presentation & discussion
+ scientific literature
+ critical & analytical thinking
+ knowledge transfer
+ group work

Module contents

The first part of the module provides students with a theoretical and practical background on neurobiological and neurochemical bases of psychiatric disorders and pharmacological interventions. This will be complemented by psychiatric interviews in simulated patients focussing on psychopathological assessment. In the second part, the students will learn to plan and assess the effectiveness of psychological interventions for selected disorders.

Part 1: Neurobiological basis of psychiatric disorders and pharmacological intervention (lecture and seminar): winter
Basics of neurotransmitter systems and psychopharmacology
Substance Abuse (e.g. psychostimulants, hallucinogenics)
Depression
Anxiety Disorders
Alzheimer's Disease
Schizophrenia
psychopathological assessment

The seminar will be given in German as clinicians and patient actors are involved.

Part 2: Psychological interventions within the framework of evidence-based medicine (2 seminars, one partly in German): summer
Both seminars focus on concepts of evidence based treatment one with application to acquired dysfunctions of the brain, the other to selected psychiatric disorders.

Literaturempfehlungen

- Meyer, J.S. & Qenzer, L.F. (2018) Psychopharmacology: Drugs, the Brain and Behaviour. Sunderland, MA: Sinauer Associates. (part 1)
- Kring, A.M, Johnson, S.L., Davison, G.C., & Neale, J.M., (2012) Abnormal Psychology. John Wiley & Sons (12th ed) (introductory literature)
- Selected papers (part 2)

Links

Languages of instruction	English, German

Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	Part 1 will be offered every winter term, part 2 every summer term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	Please note: Parts of this module that teach clinical contents will be taught in German (partly with accompanying English materials). All mandatory parts are taught in English. German knowledge is not necessary to successfully complete the module.
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture and seminar: part 2: seminar
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	mid-February	The module will be tested with a written exam (2 h) on the contents of the lecture in part 1. Required active participation for gaining credits: 1 presentation participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in both seminars in part 2 (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	WiSe	28
Seminar		4	SoSe und WiSe	56
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				84 h

psy170 - Neurophysiology

Module label	Neurophysiology
Modulkürzel	psy170
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Debener, Stefan (Module responsibility) Debener, Stefan (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.

Skills to be acquired in this module

Goals of module:
Students will understand the basic concepts of biomedical signal processing. They will use EEG analysis tools interactively and independently and will understand the complete chain of EEG analysis steps, from data import to the illustration of results. They will be able to use open source tools for EEG analysis and apply theoretical knowledge to practical problems of physiology.

Competencies:
++ Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge
++ experimental methods
++ statistics & scientific programming
++ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior
+ group work
+ project & time management

Module contents

Students will acquire specific knowledge about neurophysiology and neuroanatomy, learn the fundamental concepts of multi-channel EEG analysis, and acquire hands-on skills in using EEGLAB, an open-source software toolbox for advanced EEG analysis.

Part 1: Neurophysiology and neuroanatomy (lecture): winter
Neurophysiology, EEG, EMG, ECG
Neuroanatomy
Time-domain and frequency-domain analysis methods

Part 2: EEG recording and analysis (seminar): winter
Recording and analysis of biomedical signals
Averaging, filtering, signal-to-noise
Topographical EEG analysis

Part 3: EEG analysis with Matlab (seminar): summer
EEGLAB file I/O, data structure and scripting
Preprocessing, artefact rejection and artefact correction
Statistical decomposition
Event-related potentials, topographical mapping and power spectra
Illustration of results

Literaturempfehlungen

- Kandel et al. (2000). Principles of Neural Science, McGraw-Hill
- Luck, S.J. (2005). An Introduction to the ERP Technique, The MIT Press
- Van Drongelen, W. (2006). Signal Processing for Neuroscientists, Academic Press

Links

Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	The module will start every winter term.

Module capacity		18 (The lecture is not restricted.)		
Reference text		PLEASE NOTE: We strongly recommend to take either psy170, psy270, psy280, or psy220 to gain methodological competencies (EEG, fMRI, TBS, HCI) that are needed for most practical projects and Master's theses!		
Modullevel / module level		MM (Mastermodul / Master module)		
Modulart / typ of module		Wahlpflicht / Elective		
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method		Part 1: lecture; Part 2 and 3: seminars		
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge				

Examination		Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination	
Final exam of module		exam period at the end of the summer term	The module will be tested with a written exam of 2 h duration. Required active participation for gaining credits: recording of electroencephalographic data attendance of at least 70% in the seminars (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).	

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture	2 semester hours per week in first half of the winter term.	1	WiSe	14
Seminar	2 semester hours per week in second half of the winter term. 2 semester hours per week in summer term.	3	SoSe und WiSe	42
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy181 - Neurocognition

Module label	Neurocognition
Modulkürzel	psy181
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Thiel, Christiane Margarete (Module responsibility)
	Thiel, Christiane Margarete (Prüfungsberechtigt)
	Rosemann, Stephanie (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	
	Goals of module: Students should be able to recognize and critically evaluate the value of considering neuroscience in the study of psychological topics. **Competencies:** ++ neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge ++ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking ++ data presentation & discussion ++ scientific literature + scientific communication skills + group work
Module contents	
	Students will first acquire a general understanding of the brain mechanisms of different cognitive functions and the methods used to study these functions. They will then apply this knowledge by discussing current research topics (part 1). Knowledge will be transferred to the relation between the development of the human brain and the cognitive processes it supports (part 2). **Part 1: Introduction to cognitive neuroscience (lecture and seminar): winter** Brain and cognition, methods of cognitive neuroscience Attention, learning and memory Emotional and social behaviour Language, executive functions **Part 2: Neurocognitive development (seminar): summer** Brain development and cortical plasticity Effects of early-life stress on brain development Development of object recognition, social cognition, memory, and executive functions
Literaturempfehlungen	
	• Ward (2019) The Student's Guide to Cognitive Neuroscience, Psychology Press • Nelson, Haan & Thomas (2006) Neuroscience of Cognitive Development: The Role of Experience and the Developing Brain, Wiley & Sons • Johnson (2011) Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience, 3rd ed., Wiley-Blackwell.

Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	Part 1 will be offered every winter term, part 2 every summer term.
Module capacity	20 (Part 1 (lecture and seminar) are unrestricted, part 2 is restricted to 20 students.)
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)

Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective		
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture and seminar; Part 2: seminar		
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge			

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination	
Final exam of module	mid-February	The module will be tested with a written exam of 2 h duration on the contents of part 1. Required active participation for gaining credits: 1 presentation participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in all seminars (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).	

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		1	WiSe	14
Seminar		3	SoSe und WiSe	42
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy190 - Sex and Cognition

Module label	Sex and Cognition
Modulkürzel	psy190
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Strüber, Daniel (Module responsibility) Strüber, Daniel (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Neuroscience students can take part on request.
Skills to be acquired in this module	

Goals of module:
Students will acquire specific knowledge about sex differences in cognitive abilities and social behaviours. They will be able to understand the interrelated impact of social and biological influences on the brain's control of the (sex-specific) behaviours. Students should be able to critically evaluate behavioural sex differences from different perspectives and to reflect on possible implications for society.

Competencies:
++ neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge
+ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking
++ data presentation & discussion
++ scientific literature
+ critical & analytical thinking
++ scientific communication skills
+ group work
+ project & time management

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Module contents

Part 1: Introduction to the study of sex differences (lecture): winter
The measurement of sex differences
Sex differences in emotion
Sex differences in aggression
Sex differences in cognitive abilities
Hormones, sexual differentiation, and gender identity
Sex hormones and play preferences
Sex differences in hemispheric organization
Brain size and intelligence

Part 2: Sex, brain, and behaviour (seminar): winter
Sex differences in empathy
The extreme male brain theory of autism (S. Baron-Cohen)
Sex differences in neuropsychiatric disorders
Sex differences in stress response
Social implications of sex differences

Literaturempfehlungen

- Diane F. Halpern (2000) Sex Differences in Cognitive Abilities, Lawrence Erlbaum Associates
- Doreen Kimura (2000) Sex and Cognition, MIT Press
- Melissa Hines (2004) Brain Gender, Oxford University Press
- Richard A. Lippa (2005) Gender, Nature, and Nurture, Lawrence Erlbaum Associates

Links

Language of instruction	English	
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester	
Module frequency	The module will be offered every winter term.	
Module capacity	30	
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)	
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective	
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture; Part 2: seminar	
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge		

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	during winter term	oral presentation
		Required active participation for gaining credits: participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in the seminar (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	WiSe	28
Seminar		2	WiSe	28
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy201 - Neuropsychology

Module label	Neuropsychology
Modulkürzel	psy201
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Debener, Stefan (Module responsibility) Debener, Stefan (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will learn to understand changes in thinking and behaviour that may arise from brain dysfunctions (part 1, 3), acquire specific knowledge on cognitive rehabilitation (part 2), and learn to understand, communicate and evaluate progress in clinical practice and experimental research in neuropsychology (part 3). **Competencies:** ++ neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge + interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking ++ experimental methods + data presentation & discussion ++ scientific literature + critical & analytical thinking + scientific communication skills
Module contents	**Part 1: Introduction to Clinical Neuropsychology (lecture): winter** Cortical lobes (anatomy, functions, lesion symptoms, neuropsychological tests) Higher functions (learning & memory, language, emotion, spatial behavior attention) Plasticity and disorders (development, learning and reading disabilities, recovery) **Part 2: Cognitive Neurorehabilitation (seminar): summer** Behavioural and neuropsychological approaches neurofeedback in neurorehabilitation and ADHD memory rehabilitation effects of physical activity on cognition motor recovery **Part 3: Topics in Clinical Neuropsychology (seminar; taught partly in German): winter** Clinical neuroanatomy Neurodegenerative diseases Dementia Choose either part 2 or part 3!
Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1-2 Semester
Module frequency	The module will start every winter term.
Module capacity	30 (Part 3 is not restricted.)
Reference text	Part 1 (lecture) is mandatory. Choose either part 2 or part 3 (seminars). Note: The lecture of part 3 is given in German with accompanying English materials. Students who cannot follow a lecture in German are given priority in part 2.
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture; Part 2: seminar; Part 3: seminar

Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	exam period at the end of winter term	The module will be tested with a written exam of 2 h duration. Required active participation for gaining credits: presentation participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in the seminars (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	WiSe	28
Seminar		2	SoSe oder WiSe	28
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	exam period at the end of winter term	

psy210 - Applied Cognitive Psychology

Module label	Applied Cognitive Psychology
Modulkürzel	psy210
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Rieger, Jochem (Module responsibility) Rieger, Jochem (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Neuroscience students can take part on request.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of the module:** Students will gain an overview of theories of (Neuro)Cognitive Psychology with potential for application. On completion of this module students should have a repertoire of cognitive psychology concepts relevant for real world situations, be able to transfer the learned theoretical concepts into practical contexts and evaluate potential issues arising in the process of translation. **Competencies:** ++ Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge + interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking + experimental methods + scientific literature + ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior + critical & analytical thinking + scientific communication skills + knowledge transfer
Module contents	The module will cover core concepts of cognitive psychology, their neuronal basis, basic knowledge of neuroimaging and data analysis techniques. Special emphasis will be put on research aiming at complex real-world settings and translation of basic science in to practice. Examples of successful transfers will be analyzed. The lecture provides the theoretical basis. In the seminar the material is consolidated by examples from the literature which will be presented, critically analyzed and discussed. **Part 1: (Neuro)Cognitive Psychology in the wild I (lecture): summer** • Neurocognitive Psychology with emphasis in real world context • Methodological considerations: Generalization, validity of theories and research methods • Information uptake and representation: Sensation, perception, categorization • Selection of information and capacity: Attention and memory enhancement and failure • Generation and communication: Language, reading, dyslexia • Pursuing goals: Thinking, problem solving and acting **Part 2: (Neuro)Cognitive Psychology in the wild II (seminar): winter** In the accompanying seminar we will work through recent examples in the literature for topics of the lecture. The goal is to apply novel knowledge from the lecture to understand and critically discuss actual research approaches.
Literaturempfehlungen	• Esgate, A. (2004) An Introduction to Applied Cognitive Psychology, Psychology Press • Sternberg, RJ and Sternberg, K. (2011) Cognitive Psychology, Wadsworth • Ward (2010) The Student's Guide to Cognitive Neuroscience, Psychology Press
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	Part 1 will be offered every summer term, part 2 every winter term.

Module capacity	30		
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)		
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective		
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: 1 lecture (2 SWS); Part 2: 1 seminar (2 SWS)		
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge			

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	last class in summer term	The module will be evaluated with a written exam of 2 hours duration. Required active participation for gaining credits: 1-2 presentations participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in the seminar (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	SoSe	28
Seminar		2	SoSe	28
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy220 - Human Computer Interaction

Module label	Human Computer Interaction
Modulkürzel	psy220
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Rieger, Jochem (Module responsibility) Rieger, Jochem (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology or other programs related to the field (e.g. neuroscience, computer science, physics etc.).
Skills to be acquired in this module	

Goals of module:
The goal of the module is to provide students with basic skills required to plan, implement and
evaluate brain computer interfaces as devices for human computer interaction. BCIs are an
ideal showcase as they fully span the interdisciplinary field of HCI design, implementation and
evaluation. Importantly, classical BCI-methods can be used for modern data-driven basic neuroscience.
The module is designed as an "enabler course", meaning that ideally students should be able to understand
and start independent studies into the BCI-methods. Therefore, it goes into depth instead of breadth. Good
programming skills and some active knowledge of high school maths is strongly advised to maximize the
learning outcome.

Competencies:
++ understanding of the foundations of statistical learning techniques
+ basics to understand technical time series processing and machine learning papers
++ interdisciplinary knowledge & thinking
+ experimental methods
++ statistics & scientific programming
+ critical & analytical thinking
+ scientific communication skills
+ knowledge transfer
+ group work
+ project & time management

Module contents

The module will introduce classic BCI paradigms and brain recoding techniques. However the main focus will
be on a deeper understanding of the most important signal processing, machine learning, and performance
evaluation techniques. The module combines a lecture on the theoretical foundations a seminar/hands on
course in which students learn to implement the BCI-processing steps on real neurophysiological data and
further elaborate specific subtopics.

Part 1: HCI and BCI Lecture: (Lecture on methodological foundations of BCI): summer

Part 2: Hands on BCI implementation (practical seminar): summer
Topics covered:

- A brief history of BCIs and examples of HCI control and basic neuroscience using BCI
- techniques.
- Data preprocessing (e.g. filtering, projection techniques) and common artifacts and
- artifact treatment)
- Feature generation (e.g. fourier transform, spectral estimation techniques, principle
- components)
- Machine learning for classification and regression (e.g. model parameter optimization in
- multivariate regression)
- Evaluation (e.g. measures of model quality, cross validation to test model generalization,
- permutation tests)

Where possible the lecture provides mathematical backgrounds of the data analysis techniques.
The practical seminar implements BCI techniques on a real data set and further elaborates
specific topics in seminar form.

Literaturempfehlungen

There is no required textbook. The lecture slides and notes should be sufficient. However some
resources from which they were developed on are given below:

General tutorial text providing and overview and accompanying python code on github:

Holdgraf, Christopher R., Jochem W. Rieger, Cristiano Micheli, Stephanie Martin, Robert T. Knight, and Frederic E. Theunissen. 2017. "Encoding and Decoding Models in Cognitive Electrophysiology." Frontiers in Systems Neuroscience 11. https://doi.org/10.3389/fnsys.2017.00061. (open access)

Signal processing:

Semmlow, J. L. (2008). Biosignal and medical image processing. CRC press. Basis of most of the signal processing section. Has some matlab code.

PCA & SVD

Shlens, Jonathon. 2014. "A Tutorial on Principal Component Analysis." ArXiv:1404.1100 [Cs, Stat], April. http://arxiv.org/abs/1404.1100. Great accessible tutorial on PCA

Unsupervised feature Learning and deep learning tutorial:

http://deeplearning.stanford.edu/tutorial/ Basis of the multivariate machine learning techniques. Has some matlab code.

General texts:

Machine learning and AI:

Hastie, Tibshirani, and Friedman. The elements of statistical learning. Covers a wide range of machine learning topics. Free online.

Russell and Norvig. Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach. A comprehensive reference BCI

Dornhege et al. (2007) Toward Brain Machine Interfacing, The MIT-Press. A collection of essays on BCI related topics.

Additional literature and material will be provided on the course website.

Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	The module will be offered every summer term.
Module capacity	15
Reference text	We strongly recommend to take either psy170, psy270, psy280, or psy220 to gain methodological competencies (EEG, fMRI, TBS, HCI) that are needed for most practical projects and Master's theses!
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture; Part 2: practical seminar
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	Basic programming skills, some high-school level maths

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	last lecture in summer term	The module will be evaluated with an oral exam (max. 20 min). Required active participation for gaining credits: 1-2 presentations max. 24 programming exercises in the seminar participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in the seminar (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	SoSe	28
Seminar		2	SoSe	28
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy240 - Computation in Neuroscience

Module label	Computation in Neuroscience
Modulkürzel	psy240
Credit points	9.0 KP
Workload	270 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Stecher, Heiko (Module responsibility) Stecher, Heiko (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	

Goals of module:
Students will acquire scientific programming skills as well as specific knowledge of computational methods in neuroscience and cognition. They will learn to judge the appropriateness and complexity of computational problems and solutions.

Competencies:
+ Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge
+ experimental methods
++ statistics & scientific programming
+ critical & analytical thinking
+ knowledge transfer
+ group work

Module contents

Part 1: Introduction to scientific programming I (lecture): winter
Basic data types and structures
Flow control (conditions, loops, errors)
Testing and debugging
Functions

Part 2: Introduction to scientific programming II (lecture): summer
Complex data structures

EEG processing
Frequency analysis methods

Introduction to toolboxes

Part 3: Scientific programming I (excercise): winter
Implementation of examples from part 1

Part 4: Scientific programming II (exercise): summer
Implementation of examples from part 2

Part 5: Computer-controlled experimentation (seminar): summer
Computer hardware basics
Scripting and programming experiments
Combining stimulus delivery with EEG, Eyetracking, etc.
Temporal precision

Literaturempfehlungen

- Mathworks (2009): MATLAB online documentation
- Wallisch P., et al. (2009): MATLAB for Neuroscientists: An Introduction to Scientific Computing in MATLAB. Elsevier/Academic

Links

Language of instruction	English

Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	The module will start every winter term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	**Important note:** **Passing the exam of psy240 is mandatory for starting a Practical Project (psy260) and the Master's thesis.**
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1 and 2: lectures; Part 3 and 4: excercises; Part 5: seminar; additional tutorials
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	exam period at the end of the summer term	In a 90-minute written exam the participants will have to program MATLAB-scripts for a selection of neuroscientific data-analysis problems, demonstrating their skills in the different topics. The scripts and comments will be written on university-provided laptops and handed in via email or USB-drive. Required active participation for gaining credits: script for the presentation of experimental stimuli in part 5 attendance of at least 70% in the seminar 'Presentation', part 5 (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		4	SoSe und WiSe	56
Seminar		2	SoSe	28
Exercises		2	SoSe und WiSe	28
Tutorial			SoSe und WiSe	0
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				112 h

psy251 - Internship

Module label	Internship
Modulkürzel	psy251
Credit points	12.0 KP
Workload	360 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Module responsibility) Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will obtain direct experience in the field of psychology. This includes being involved in the provision of psychological or neuropsychological services in real-life situations, such as neuropsychological testing or counselling in a hospital or mental health clinic, or conducting and contributing to psychological research. The internship should be chosen by the student such that it can provide a meaningful educational opportunity that will help students to decide on their preferred area of work. **Competencies:** ++ expert neuropsychological/neurophysiological knowledge + interdisciplinary knowledge & thinking + experimental methods ++ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior ++ knowledge transfer + project & time management
Module contents	The students will work in a field of psychology of personal choice. The student will get to know and participate in the daily work routines of a psychologist.
Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	Information on internships and necessary forms: https://uol.de/en/psychology/master/course-overview/
Languages of instruction	English, German
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	irregular
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	The internship lasts 360 hours (9-10 weeks). It can be performed at 2 different institutions with a minimum duration of 150 hours (4 weeks) for each part. A part of your internship (maximally 150 hours) can be performed internally in the Department of Psychology. Internal internships cannot be performed in the same lab in which you will perform / have performed your Practical Project psy260! Your supervisor must be a psychologist. If your supervisor is NOT a psychologist, please contact us for approval BEFORE you start your internship. Please note that details are regulated in the exam regulations. A blank internship certificate and the report form can be found on the programme website. To generate ideas, a folder with information on internships that other students have performed is available in the office of Dr. Cornelia Kranczioch. Topics for projects will be presented in a colloquium at the end of the summer term. Please note that, due to the Coronavirus pandemic, you have to ask the external institution for their hygiene concept and keep this concept for your own documentation.
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	internship at (external) institution

Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	Individual; 2-3 possibilities per semester to present the internship to other students	The students have to hand in a written report (2-3 pages) and give a short presentation about their internship. They have to show a certificate from the institution at which they performed the internship. The internship is evaluated as pass/fail.
Form of instruction	Practical training	
SWS		
Frequency	SoSe oder WiSe	
Workload Präsenzzeit	0 h *(* *360 hours presence at internship institution* *)*	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	Individual; 2-3 possibilities per semester to present the internship to other students	The students have to hand in a written report (2-3

psy260 - Practical project

Module label	Practical project
Modulkürzel	psy260
Credit points	9.0 KP
Workload	270 h (attendance in the lab and accompanying seminars as necessary for your project (~ 200h))
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Debener, Stefan (Module responsibility) Herrmann, Christoph Siegfried (Module responsibility) Hildebrandt, Andrea (Module responsibility) Puschmann, Sebastian (Module responsibility) Rieger, Jochem (Module responsibility) Roheger, Mandy (Module responsibility) Al-Zubaidi, Arkan (Prüfungsberechtigt) Bleichner, Martin Georg (Prüfungsberechtigt) Debener, Stefan (Prüfungsberechtigt) Gießing, Carsten (Prüfungsberechtigt) Hellmann, Andreas (Prüfungsberechtigt) Herrmann, Christoph Siegfried (Prüfungsberechtigt) Hildebrandt, Andrea (Prüfungsberechtigt) Hildebrandt, Helmut (Prüfungsberechtigt) Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Prüfungsberechtigt) Özyurt, Jale Nur (Prüfungsberechtigt) Rieger, Jochem (Prüfungsberechtigt) Stecher, Heiko (Prüfungsberechtigt) Strüber, Daniel (Prüfungsberechtigt) Thiel, Christiane Margarete (Prüfungsberechtigt) Puschmann, Sebastian (Prüfungsberechtigt) Jäger, Manuela (Prüfungsberechtigt) Vogeti, Sreekari (Prüfungsberechtigt) Roheger, Mandy (Prüfungsberechtigt) Rosemann, Stephanie (Prüfungsberechtigt) Daeglau, Mareike (Prüfungsberechtigt) Kristanto, Daniel (Prüfungsberechtigt) Klein, Franziska (Prüfungsberechtigt) Boetzel, Cindy (Prüfungsberechtigt) Marek, Merle (Module counselling)
Further responsible persons	Upon approval by the examination committee other staff members (e.g. PhD students in the laboratories of the Department of Psychology) can act as examiners for psy260.

Prerequisites

Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
You can only start the practical project if you have passed the exam of psy240 (psy241)
Computation in Neuroscience!
Priority is given to students with experience in methods used in the respective lab or students
who have taken the respective teaching modules.

Skills to be acquired in this module

Goals of module:

Students are able to critically review the scientific literature and current state of knowledge concerning a certain
topic in the field of cognitive neuroscience or neuropsychology. Based on this, they are able to develop a
specific research question and to design an adequate experiment, acquire data and conduct appropriate
statistical analyses, building on previously gained competencies in relevant research methods, computer
programming and statistical methods. They know how to critically discuss the results of their study in context of
the current literature and how to present their findings at a scientific poster symposium.

Competencies:
++ experimental methods
+ statistics & scientific programming
++ data presentation & discussion
+ independent research
+ scientific literature
+ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior
+ scientific communication skills
+ knowledge transfer
+ group work
++ project & time management

Module contents

- The students develop an empirical investigation, carry it out and analyse the results.
- The students present and discuss their project in respect to recent literature in regular meetings and in a
  poster symposium.
- Students can develop an experimental design for a follow-up study which could potentially be the topic
  of their Master's thesis.
- As part of the practical project, students should participate in studies of other practical projects!

Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	https://uol.de/en/psychology/master/course-overview/
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	The module will be offered every winter term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	Topics for projects will be presented in a colloquium at the end of the summer term. Students can chose to perform the practical work in either of the research groups of the Department of Psychology. External projects are possible upon approval (information and approval form can be found on the programme website). Please note that, due to the Coronavirus pandemic, you have to ask the external institution for their hygiene concept and keep this concept for your own documentation.
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	practical work and regular seminar meetings in the group where the project is performed
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	PLEASE NOTE: Many projects require knowledge of either EEG, fMRI, TBS, or HCI analysis! We strongly recommend to take either psy170: Neurophysiology, psy270: fMRI Data Analysis, psy280: Transcranial Brain Stimulation, or psy220 Human Computer Interaction prior to the practical project.

It is expected that students have basic knowledge of Matlab programming before starting the practical project. This is proven by having passed the exam in Computation in Neuroscience.

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	usually end of April	Poster presentation in a student symposium (30% of the grade) and daily project work (70% of the grade).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Seminar	Please select the group in which you perform your practical project.	2	WiSe	28
Practical training	attendance as necessary for your project (~ 200h)		WiSe	0
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				28 h

psy270 - Functional MRI Data Analysis

Module label	Functional MRI Data Analysis
Modulkürzel	psy270
Credit points	9.0 KP
Workload	270 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	- Master's Programme Biology (Master) > Background Modules - Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule - Master's Programme Neuroscience (Master) > Background Modules
Zuständige Personen	Gießing, Carsten (Module responsibility) Gießing, Carsten (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	
	Goals of module: Students will learn the basics about planning and performing a neuroimaging study. They will focus on the statistical and methodological background of functional neuroimaging data analysis and analyse a sample functional MRI data set. **Competencies:** ++ experimental methods ++ statistics & scientific programming + data presentation & discussion ++ group work
Module contents	**Theoretical knowledge on functional MRI data analysis** **Planning, performance and analysis of functional neuroimaging studies using MATLAB-based software** **Hands-on fMRI data analysis with SPM**
Literaturempfehlungen	
	- Frackowiak RSJ, Friston KJ, Frith C, Dolan R, Price CJ, Zeki S, Ashburner J, and Penny WD (2003). Human Brain Function. Academic Press, 2nd edition. San Diego, USA. - Huettel, SA, Song, AW, & McCarthy, G (2009). Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (2nd Edition). Sinauer Associates. Sunderland, MA, USA. - Poldrack RA, Mumford JA, & Nichols TE (2011). Handbook of Functional MRI Data Analysis. Cambridge University Press. New York, USA.
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	The module will be offered every summer term.
Module capacity	15 (The remaining places are reserved for Biology and Neuroscience students.)
Reference text	Since the module is primarily offered for the Master's programme Biology it has to be offered as a blocked course. Please contact us if you are interested in the module but have problems with interfering other courses. PLEASE NOTE: We strongly recommend to take either psy170, psy270, psy280, or psy220 to gain methodological competencies (EEG, fMRI, TBS, HCI) that are needed for most practical projects and Master's theses!
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	blocked course with lecture, interactive seminar and exercise parts
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	Students need to have solid statistical knowledge as taught in the Introductory Course Statistics and in

Research Methods.

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	end of summer term	Oral or written examination
		Required active participation for gaining credits: 1-2 presentations participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in the seminars and exercises (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	SoSe	28
Exercises		2	SoSe	28
Seminar		1	SoSe	14
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				70 h

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination

psy280 - Transcranial Brain Stimulation

Module label	Transcranial Brain Stimulation
Modulkürzel	psy280
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Herrmann, Christoph Siegfried (Module responsibility)
	Herrmann, Christoph Siegfried (Prüfungsberechtigt)
	Strüber, Daniel (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology.
Skills to be acquired in this module	

Goals of module:
Students will gain theoretical and practical knowledge on various non-invasive brain stimulation techniques.

Competencies:
++ Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge
++ experimental methods
+ statistics & scientific programming
+ scientific literature
+ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behaviour

Module contents

In this module, we will introduce the theoretical concepts, neurophysiological underpinnings and neurocognitive as well as clinical applications of various non-invasive brain stimulation techniques such as transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS), transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS), transcranial alternating current stimulation (tACS), and transcranial random noise stimulation (tRNS). A focus will be tACS, because it is especially suited to modulate brain oscillations which have been shown to correlate with cognitive processes.

Part 1: Introduction to transcranial brain stimulation (lecture): summer

- Historical overview of brain stimulation
- Different techniques (TMS, tDCS, tACS, tRNS)
- Physiological mechanisms (entrainment, after-effects etc.)
- The use of transcranial brain stimulation in cognitive neuroscience - Experimental parameters (intensity, electrode montage, etc.)
- Pros and cons of TMS vs. tACS
- Technical aspects (artefact correction, modelling current flow, etc.)
- Safety issues
- Ethical considerations of brain stimulation

Part 2: Effects of tACS on physiology and cognition (seminar): summer

- Physiology of tACS (on-line and after-effects)
- Modulating cognitive functions (e.g. memory, attention, and perception)
- Clinical applications of tACS
- Hands-on experience in the lab

Literaturempfehlungen

- Miniussi et al. Transcranial brain stimulation, CRC Press, 2013.
- Kadosh. The stimulated brain, Academic Press, 2014.

Links

Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	The module will be offered every summer term.
Module capacity	10
Reference text	We strongly recommend to take either psy170, psy270, psy280, or psy220 to gain methodological competencies (EEG, fMRI, TBS, HCI) that are needed for most practical projects and Master's thesis!
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture; Part 2: seminar
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	during summer term	Oral presentation in the seminar.
		Required active participation for gaining credits: attendance of at least 70% in the seminar (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	SoSe	28
Seminar		2	SoSe	28
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy285 - Study Abroad I - Psychology/Neuroscience

Module label	Study Abroad I - Psychology/Neuroscience
Modulkürzel	psy285
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Department of Psychology (Module responsibility) Bleichner, Kerstin (Module counselling) Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Module counselling)
Further responsible persons	Courses taken abroad will be approved by the examinations committee.
Prerequisites	
Skills to be acquired in this module	
Module contents	
	Successfully completed study achievements at Master's level from a study abroad are recognised to the extent of 6 credit points, provided that they originate from the fields of psychology or neuroscience and do not have any significant overlaps in content with modules of the compulsory and elective subjects that have already been studied/are still to be studied.

Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	
Module capacity	unlimited
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module		according to the regulations of the respective foreign university

Form of instruction	VA-Auswahl (according to the regulations of the respective foreign university)
SWS	4
Frequency	SoSe oder WiSe
Workload Präsenzzeit	56 h

psy286 - Study Abroad II - Psychology/Neuroscience

Module label	Study Abroad II - Psychology/Neuroscience
Modulkürzel	psy286
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Department of Psychology (Module responsibility) Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Module counselling) Bleichner, Kerstin (Module counselling)
Further responsible persons	Courses taken abroad will be approved by the examinations committee.
Prerequisites	
Skills to be acquired in this module	
Module contents	Successfully completed study achievements at Master's level from a study abroad are recognised to the extent of 6 credit points, provided that they originate from the fields of psychology or neuroscience and do not have any significant overlaps in content with modules ofthe compulsory and elective subjects that have already been studied/are still to be studied.
Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	
Module capacity	unlimited
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module		according to the regulations of the respective foreign university
Form of instruction	VA-Auswahl (according to the regulations of the respective foreign university)	
SWS	4	
Frequency	SoSe oder WiSe	
Workload Präsenzzeit	56 h	

psy110 - Research methods

Module label	Research methods
Modulkürzel	psy110
Credit points	12.0 KP
Workload	360 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Hildebrandt, Andrea (Module responsibility) Hildebrandt, Andrea (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Module psy110 is only relevant for students who started their studies before winter term 21/22. (All other students study modules psy111 and psy112.)
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will acquire basic knowledge in planning empirical investigations, managing and understanding quantitative data and conducting a wide variety of multivariate statistical analyses. They will learn how to use the statistical methodology in terms of good scientific practice and how to interpret, evaluate and synthesize empirical results from the perspective of statistical modeling and statistical learning in basic and applied research context. The courses in this module will additionally point out statistical misconceptions and help students to overcome them. **Competencies:** ++ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking ++ statistics & scientific programming ++ data presentation & discussion + independent research + scientific literature ++ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior ++ critical & analytical thinking ++ scientific communication skills + group work
Module contents	**Part 1: Multivariate Statistics I (lecture): winter** • Graphical representation of multivariate data • The Generalized Linear Modeling (GLM) framework • Multiple and moderated linear regression with quantitative and qualitative predictors • Logistic regression • Multilevel regression (Generalized Linear Mixed Effects Modeling – GLMM) • Non-linear regression models • Path modeling • Factor analysis (exploratory & confirmatory) • (Multilevel) Structural equation modeling (SEM linear and non-linear) **Part 2: Analysis Methods with R (seminar): winter and summer** • Data examples and applications of GLM, GLMM, polynomial, spline and local regression, path modeling, factor analyses and SEM **Part 3: Multivariate Statistics II (lecture): summer** • Supervised and unsupervised statistical learning and prediction • Regularized regression • Resampling methods • Tree-based methods • Support Vector Machines • Neural Networks (basics) • Principal components and clustering **Part 4: Evaluation research (seminar): summer** • Paradigms and methods in applied evaluation research (quantitative, mixed-methods)

- Types of studies and designs in evaluation research (experimental, quasi-experimental, (multiple) time series, etc.)
- Specific statistical tools (e.g., Propensity score matching)
- Research synthesis and meta-analysis

Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	The module will start every winter term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Parts 1 and 3: lectures; Parts 2 and 4: seminars; additional tutorials are offered.
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	basic statistics; otherwise please attend Introductory Course Statistics

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module		The module will be tested with an oral exam (20 min). Required active participation for gaining credits: attendance of at least 70% in the seminars (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		4	SoSe und WiSe	56
Seminar	R seminar in summer is voluntary	4	SoSe und WiSe	56
Tutorial	statistics		SoSe und WiSe	0
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				112 h

psy230 - Neuromodulation of Cognition

Module label	Neuromodulation of Cognition
Modulkürzel	psy230
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Rieger, Jochem (Module responsibility) Rieger, Jochem (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Neuroscience students can take part on request.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** The aim of this module is to provide students with a theoretical background on how cognitive functions can be altered via neuromodulation. **Competencies:** ++ Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge + interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking ++ experimental methods + ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior + critical & analytical thinking + scientific communication skills
Module contents	Students will be introduced to the concepts of neuromodulation and the application of theoretical knowledge of neurophysiology to the modulation of cognitive functions. **Part 1: Neuromodulation of cognition (lecture): winter** Neurotransmitter and neuromodulator systems Neuropharmacological intervention Mechanisms of neural plasticity Neurofeedback Electric and magnetic brain stimulation Therapeutical applications **Part 2: Topics in Neuromodulation (seminar): winter** Psychological an therapeutical effects of neuromodulation Modulation of neuronal network function Deep brain stimulation for therapeutical modulation
Literaturempfehlungen	• Kaczmarek, L.K., Levitan, I.B. (1986) Neuromodulation: The Biochemical Control of Neuronal Excitability, Oxford University Press • Demos J.N. (2005) Getting Started with Neurofeedback, Norton Professional Books • Tarsy, D. et al. (2008) Deep Brain Stimulation in Neurological and Psychiatric Disorders, Springer Verlag
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	The module will no longer be offered!
Module capacity	15
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Wahlpflicht / Elective

Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: lecture; Part 2: seminar		

Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	during winter term	Presentation 80% written test on the topics of the lecture 20% Required active participation for gaining credits: participation in discussions on other presentations attendance of at least 70% in the seminar (use attendance sheet that will be handed out in the beginning of the term).

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	WiSe	28
Seminar		2	WiSe	28
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				56 h

psy241 - Computation in Neuroscience

Module label	Computation in Neuroscience
Modulkürzel	psy241
Credit points	6.0 KP
Workload	180 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Stecher, Heiko (Module responsibility) Stecher, Heiko (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Module psy241 is only relevant for students who started their studies before winter term 19/20. (All other students study module psy240.)
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will acquire scientific programming skills as well as specific knowledge of computational methods in neuroscience and cognition. They will learn to judge the appropriateness and complexity of computational problems and solutions. **Competencies:** [nop] + Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge + experimental methods ++ statistics & scientific programming + critical & analytical thinking + knowledge transfer + group work [/nop]
Module contents	**Part 1: Introduction to scientific programming I (theoretical-practical seminar)** - Basic data types and structures - Flow control (conditions, loops, errors) - Testing and debugging - Functions **Part 2: Introduction to scientific programming II (theoretical-practical seminar)** - Classes and objects - Parallel processing - Frequency analysis methods - EEG processing **Part 3: Scientific programming I (excercise)** - Implementation of examples from part 1 **Part 4: Scientific programming II (exercise)** - Implementation of examples from part 2
Literaturempfehlungen	- Mathworks (2009): MATLAB online documentation - Wallisch P., et al. (2009): MATLAB for Neuroscientists: An Introduction to Scientific Computing in MATLAB. Elsevier/Academic
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	The module will be offered every winter term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: theoretical-practical seminar; Part 2: theoretical-practical seminar; Part 3: excercise; Part 4: excercise; additional tutorials
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	exam period at the end of the summer term	The participants will have to independently develop and program a solution for a given neuroscientific problem. Both the written code as well as the documentation of the approach taken will be assessed. Bonus for regularly handing in a total of 12 programming exercises.

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Theorie-Praxis-Seminare	2 semester hours per week for winter and summer term	4	SoSe und WiSe	56
Exercises	1 semester hour per week for winter and summer term.	2	SoSe und WiSe	28
Tutorial	2 semester hours per week in winter and summer term		SoSe und WiSe	0
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				84 h

psy250 - Internship

Module label	Internship
Modulkürzel	psy250
Credit points	15.0 KP
Workload	450 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Module responsibility) Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Module psy250 is only relevant for students who started their studies before winter term 19/20. (All other students study module psy251.)
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will obtain direct experience in the field of psychology. This includes being involved in the provision of psychological or neuropsychological services in real-life situations, such as neuropsychological testing or counselling in a hospital or mental health clinic, or conducting and contributing to psychological research. The internship should be chosen by the student such that it can provide a meaningful educational opportunity that will help students to decide on their preferred area of work. **Competencies:** ++ expert neuropsychological/neurophysiological knowledge + interdisciplinary knowledge & thinking + experimental methods ++ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior ++ knowledge transfer + project & time management
Module contents	The student will work in a field of psychology of personal choice. The student will get to know and participate in the daily work routines of a psychologist.
Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	Information on internships and necessary forms: https://uol.de/en/psychology/master/course-overview/
Languages of instruction	English, German
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	irregular
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	The internship lasts 450 hours (12 weeks). It can be performed at 2 different institutions with a minimum duration of 150 hours (4 weeks) for each part. Your supervisor must be a psychologist. Please note that details are regulated in the exam regulations. A blank internship certificate and the report form can be found on the programme website. To generate ideas, a folder with information on internships that other students have performed is available in the office of Dr. Cornelia Kranczioch. Please note that, due to the Coronavirus pandemic, you have to hand in a risk assessment form before starting your internship. You can find this form in English or German in the list of supporting documents!
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	internship at (external) institution
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	Individual; 2-3 possibilities per semester to present the internship to other students	The students have to hand in a written report (2-3 pages) and give a short presentation about their internship. They have to show a certificate from the institution at which they performed the internship. The internship is evaluated as pass/fail.

Form of instruction	Practical training
SWS	
Frequency	SoSe und WiSe
Workload Präsenzzeit	0 h (*450 h attendance at internship institution*)

psy120 - Psychological assessment and diagnostics

Module label	Psychological assessment and diagnostics
Modulkürzel	psy120
Credit points	9.0 KP
Workload	270 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Hildebrandt, Andrea (Module responsibility) Hellmann, Andreas (Module responsibility) Hildebrandt, Andrea (Prüfungsberechtigt) Hellmann, Andreas (Prüfungsberechtigt) Debener, Stefan (Module counselling)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Module psy120 is only relevant for students who started their studies before winter term 19/20. (All other students study module psy121.)
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will acquire specific knowledge about psychological assessment and will be trained to utilize this knowledge within a research context and in applied settings. With respect to research applications they will learn about traditional and modern test theories and about their usage in the domain of test construction and the systematic design of interviews and observational methods. From the perspective of applied assessment, students will reflect on the assessment process as a whole. They will learn how to analyze cases ("case conceptualization"), how to plan and conduct the information assessment phase, how to record and summarize collected data and how to integrate across the multitude of information in order to draw conclusions about the case given specific diagnostic strategies (status vs. process assessment and norm oriented vs. criterion oriented assessment, including classificatory decisions). Finally, students will learn about the requirements of report generation in written an oral form given a specific applied context. Ethical guidelines and quality norms will be an implicit topic in all courses in the module. **Competencies:** + Neuropsychological / neurophysiological knowledge + interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking + ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior + critical & analytical thinking
Module contents	**Part 1: Introduction to Psychological Assessment (lecture)** - Psychological assessment as a decision process – descriptive and prescriptive models - Theories of reliability (classical and modern approaches) - Theories of validity (classical and modern approaches) - Assessment methods, their construction and design, quality criteria - The logic of decision making in the assessment process - Psychometrics to single cases - Summarizing results and writing reports **Part 2: Psychological Testing (seminar)** - Psychometric bases of tests and questionnaires - Types of tests and questionnaires - Challenges in psychological testing (for example faking good vs. bad) - Examples of published tests and questionnaires - Exercising test applications, scoring and result interpretations **Part 3: Assessment in Clinical Neuropsychology (seminar)** - specific knowledge - exercises in testing / practising tests
Literaturempfehlungen	Will be specified in the courses.
Links	
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	2 Semester
Module frequency	The module will be offered every winter term.
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	If you want to earn the bonus, you need to use the official bonus sheet to prove your attendance which will be handed to you in the beginning of the winter term.
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Part 1: 1 lecture ; Part 2: 1 seminar; Part 3: 1 seminar
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	summer term	The module will be tested by a practical exercise (test application and protocol). Bonus for two presentations or test executions (max.) and attendance of at least 70% in the seminars. Group presentations can be counted as one half.

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Lecture		2	WiSe	28

Form of instruction	Comment	SWS	Frequency	Workload of compulsory attendance
Seminar		4	SoSe	56
Präsenzzeit Modul insgesamt				84 h

psy140 - Minor

Module label	Minor
Modulkürzel	psy140
Credit points	9.0 KP
Workload	270 h
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Mastermodule
Zuständige Personen	Bleichner, Kerstin (Module counselling) Rieger, Jochem (Module counselling)
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Module psy140 is only relevant for students who started their studies before winter term 19/20. (All other students study module psy141.)
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will gain an overview of non-psychological topics related to cognitive neuroscience and neuropsychology. They will see how psychological theories apply in other fields. Students can strengthen their own professional profile. **Competencies** ++ interdisciplinary kowledge & thinking
Module contents	Students can take Master modules and courses from the fields • Biology • Neurosciences • Computer Science • Physics • Mathematics • Pedagogy • Philosophy • related fields The content of the courses/modules taken as Minor needs to be clearly different from the contents of the Neurocognitive Psychology modules. A list of approved courses/modules can be found on our website. Upon approval, German-speaking students can attend a career-relevant language course (i.e. necessary for internship, practical project or Master's thesis; maximum of 6 CP for this module). Students whose first language is not German, may take German classes. We recommend taking modules/courses that strengthen your own professional profile.
Literaturempfehlungen	
Links	List of approved courses/modules and approval form: https://uol.de/en/psychology/master/course-overview/
Languages of instruction	English, German
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	irregular
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	PLEASE NOTE: • If you want to take a module/course which is not listed in the list of approved courses/modules, please request approval BEFORE you start the course/module (list of approved courses/modules and approval form can be found on our website) • Bachelor level courses are NOT acceptable. Note that Bachelor level courses can be listed in some Master programmes (e.g. Master of Education). This does not qualify a Bachelor level course for the Minor module. • It is your responsibility to ask the teacher whether you can take part.
Modullevel / module level	MM (Mastermodul / Master module)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	Lectures and seminars (depends on the chosen modules)
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module		If grades are earned in the minor, those are counted as pass/fail. Certificates for grades can be separately requested from the examination office.
Form of instruction	Course or seminar (*Please refer to the module description for information on the courses you can have counted towards psy140 Minor.*)	
SWS		
Frequency	SoSe und WiSe	
Workload Präsenzzeit	0 h (*Depends on the chosen course, but at least 14 hours attendance.*)	

Abschlussmodul

mam - Master´s Degree Module

Module label	Master´s Degree Module
Modulkürzel	mam
Credit points	30.0 KP
Workload	900 h (attendance in the lab meetings: 28h (2 SWS); thesis work: 872 hours)
Verwendbarkeit des Moduls	• Master's Programme Neurocognitive Psychology (Master) > Abschlussmodul
Zuständige Personen	Al-Zubaidi, Arkan (Prüfungsberechtigt) Bleichner, Martin Georg (Prüfungsberechtigt) Debener, Stefan (Prüfungsberechtigt) Gießing, Carsten (Prüfungsberechtigt) Hellmann, Andreas (Prüfungsberechtigt) Herrmann, Christoph Siegfried (Prüfungsberechtigt) Hildebrandt, Andrea (Prüfungsberechtigt) Hildebrandt, Helmut (Prüfungsberechtigt) Kranczioch-Debener, Cornelia (Prüfungsberechtigt) Özyurt, Jale Nur (Prüfungsberechtigt) Rieger, Jochem (Prüfungsberechtigt) Stecher, Heiko (Prüfungsberechtigt) Strüber, Daniel (Prüfungsberechtigt) Thiel, Christiane Margarete (Prüfungsberechtigt) Puschmann, Sebastian (Prüfungsberechtigt) Vogeti, Sreekari (Prüfungsberechtigt) Jäger, Manuela (Prüfungsberechtigt) Rosemann, Stephanie (Prüfungsberechtigt) Roheger, Mandy (Prüfungsberechtigt) Daeglau, Mareike (Prüfungsberechtigt) Klein, Franziska (Prüfungsberechtigt) Kristanto, Daniel (Prüfungsberechtigt) Boetzel, Cindy (Prüfungsberechtigt)
Further responsible persons	thesis supervisors; Upon approval by the examination committee other staff members (e.g. PhD students in the laboratories of the Department of Psychology) can act as examiners for mam.
Prerequisites	Enrolment in Master's programme Neurocognitive Psychology. Completion of at least 60 credit points in other modules including module psy240 (psy241) (Computation in Neuroscience). Assignment of a topic by thesis supervisor and official application with the examination office.
Skills to be acquired in this module	**Goals of module:** Students will demonstrate that they are able to perform a neuropsychological experiment according to scientific standards. In addition, they will demonstrate that they are acquainted with the

necessary methods and can present their results orally and in written form.

Competencies:
++ experimental methods
+ statistics & scientific programming
+ data presentation & discussion
++ independent research
+ scientific literature
++ scientific English / writing
+ ethics / good scientific practice / professional behavior
+ critical & analytical thinking
+ scientific communication skills
+ knowledge transfer
++ project & time management

Module contents

Part 1: Master's thesis
The students work on a given topic in cognitive neuroscience using literature research and the appropriate experimental methods.

Part 2: Master's colloquium
The preparation of the thesis is accompanied by regular participation in the lab meetings of the groups in which the thesis is performed. Students present their study design at the beginning of their thesis preparation and their results towards the end. In addition, they listen to the presentations of the other lab members and students in the group.

Literaturempfehlungen

Links	Rules and guidelines for Master's theses are explained here: https://uol.de/en/psychology/master/course-overview/
Language of instruction	English
Duration (semesters)	1 Semester
Module frequency	irregular
Module capacity	unlimited
Reference text	If you want to do a Master's thesis outside the Department of Psychology, please follow the rules stated on the program website. ==Please note that, due to the Coronavirus pandemic, you have to ask the external institution for their hygiene concept and keep this concept for your own documentation.== We encourage students to use the LaTeX template provided on the course website.
Modullevel / module level	Abschlussmodul (Abschlussmodul / Conclude)
Modulart / typ of module	Pflicht / Mandatory
Lehr-/Lernform / Teaching/Learning method	individual thesis preparation with supervision
Vorkenntnisse / Previous knowledge	contact your supervisor for details

Examination	Prüfungszeiten	Type of examination
Final exam of module	individual appointments	The written thesis will be evaluated by the supervisor and an additional reviewer (90%). The oral presentation and defence of the thesis results will be evaluated (10%).

Form of instruction	Seminar und Projekt
SWS	2
Frequency	SoSe und WiSe
Workload Präsenzzeit	28 h (*Attendance as required for your project and 2 hours per week for participating in the lab meetings.*)