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**STUDIUM  
INDIVIDUALE**  
[MAJOR]

→ COLLEGE



**LEUPHANA**  
UNIVERSITY LÜNEBURG

# STUDIUM INDIVIDUALE AT LEUPHANA COLLEGE

Do you want to combine wide-ranging academic interests to gain a better understanding of the complex problems facing the world that we live in? Are you looking for a challenging, personal and international degree programme? As a programme which is committed to the ideals of contemporary liberal education, the Studium Individuale major invites you to define a significant part of your own degree. You combine modules from every major and minor at Leuphana College, from sustainability to entrepreneurship, digital media to psychology, and politics to education. The Studium Individuale thus combines the pursuit of personal intellectual interests with a concern for important issues regarding our common life. As we believe that international experiences are an important component of a contemporary liberal education, we also encourage you to study abroad.

## LEUPHANA BACHELOR

Studying at Leuphana College means much more than just gaining a Bachelor degree. You should also be someone who wants to understand different ways of thinking, take different perspectives and consistently subject your personal point of view to critical questioning. The Leuphana Bachelor allows you to integrate different areas of interest. The major and minor Studium Individuale\* offers a space of free choice of courses in order to better understand the problem you will investigate.

\* The Studium Individuale major can also be combined with any other minor offered at Leuphana College.

# COURSE CONTENTS



In the Leuphana Bachelor, you combine specialist knowledge with solutions-oriented thinking and responsible action. The Leuphana Semester and Complementary Studies provide the framework for addressing socially-relevant topics beyond your chosen major/minor combination. These are a fixed part of the Leuphana Bachelor and give you the freedom to get a taste for different areas of knowledge and develop viable solutions for the challenges of the future together with other students at Leuphana College.

In terms of your chosen area of focus and with the support of your advisor, in the Studium Individuale major, you select courses from across Leuphana College and combine methods and insights from different fields of study to gain a better understanding of complex issues. The aim of each individual course of study is to explore in-depth questions and problems of contemporary relevance that need to be addressed in an interdisciplinary way. Recent topics that our students have explored include: security and international networks, migration, gender and urban development, and digitisation and education. In addition to the self-designed course of study, each student takes part in the core curriculum of the Studium Individuale, which fosters analytical thought, clear communication, and nuanced judgement. In the core courses, you explore themes that are central to an understanding of and acting in the world of today. How have democracy, capitalism and modern science changed the world? How does individualism relate to our need to community? What is valid knowledge? These approaches help you to develop into an independent thinker who is capable of working in collaboration with others to reach common goals.

1<sup>st</sup> semester

## LEUPHANA SEMESTER

Opening Week  
Introduction to the  
Studium Individuale  
Methods of the  
Studium Individuale  
Science as method  
and way of thinking  
Critical thinking  
Challenges of the  
future  
Conference Week

2<sup>nd</sup> semester

**Core courses: Culture and Critique; Understanding Knowledge; Planning, Decision-Making, Reflection; Collaborative Research Project, Analysing Contemporary Societies**

3<sup>rd</sup> semester

4<sup>th</sup> semester

5<sup>th</sup> semester

6<sup>th</sup> semester

**Electives: to work on your chosen area of focus**

**Bachelor dissertation**

### **MINOR**

Free choice of courses to work on your chosen area of focus

### **COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES**

Dealing with socially relevant topics  
Thematic, methodological or practice-oriented complement to the major/minor combination

# PROSPECTS



The Studium Individuale aims to support you with the development of your strengths and personal interests, and to prepare you for acting on a creative, considered and responsible way in today's society. The specific field and function in which you start your first job depends to a great extent on your personal choice of course, your performance, your initiative and your practical experience, as well as on the professional profile that you develop at Leuphana College.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Leuphana Bachelor with Studium Individuale major prepares you for work in a variety of fields:

- National and international NGOs
- Authorities
- Parliaments
- Political organisations
- Embassies
- Consulting firms
- Think-tanks
- Research institutes
- Cultural organisations
- Foundations
- Universities
- Media and journalism
- New business start-ups

## MASTERS PROGRAMMES

The Studium Individuale provides you with the opportunity to prepare for a wide range of innovative, problem-oriented and interdisciplinary Masters programmes (MA and MSc).

## AT A GLANCE

Degree awarded:	Bachelor of Arts (BA)
Duration:	3 years (6 semesters)
Extent:	180 ECTS
Study places:	39
Language:	English
Semester abroad:	possible
Start date:	October 1 (winter semester)
Application:	Mid May – July 15
Requirements:	university entrance qualification and English skills
Restricted admission:	yes
Admission:	own procedere at Leuphana College

### Initial Information

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