

# STUDIUM INDIVIDUALE BACHELOR

Do you want to combine wide-ranging academic interests to gain a better understanding of the complex problems facing the world? 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. 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.

## BACHELOR AT LEUPHANA COLLEGE

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 Bachelor programme allows you to integrate different areas of interest. The major and minor Studium Individuale\* offer a space of free choice of courses in order to better understand the problem you will investigate.

AT A GLANCE	
Degree awarded	Bachelor of Arts (BA)
Duration	3 years (6 semesters)
Credit points	180
Study places	40
Start date	Beginning of October
Language	English
Semester abroad	possible
Application period	Mid May – July 15 <sup>th</sup>
Requirements	— university entrance qualification — English skills
Restricted admission	yes
Admission	own procedure at Leuphana College
Programme Director	Prof. Dr. Beate Söntgen



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# PROSPECTS

Studium Individuale aims to support you with the development of your strengths and personal interests, and to prepare you for acting in 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 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
- 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).

# COURSE CONTENTS

At Leuphana College, 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 Bachelor programme 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 College.

In Studium Individuale you will have the support of your faculty advisor and your peers to build your individual study path by combining methods and insights from different fields of study. By reflecting on your studies step by step, independently and with others, you will create a tailored programme, allowing you to better understand your chosen area of concentration. You should concentrate your studies around a theme or question whose complexity needs to be addressed through different disciplines. 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, 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 for 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	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester	4 <sup>th</sup> semester	5 <sup>th</sup> semester	6 <sup>th</sup> semester
<div>LEUPHANA SEMESTER</div> <div>Opening Week</div> <div>Freedom and the Transformation of Modern Europe</div> <div>Ways of Knowing</div> <div>Science as method and way of thinking</div> <div>Critical thinking</div> <div>Challenges of the future</div> <div>Conference Week</div>	<div>Core courses: Culture and Critique; Understanding Knowledge; Planning, Decision-Making, Reflection; Collaborative Research Project, Analysing Contemporary Societies</div>				<div>Bachelor thesis</div>
<div>Electives: to work on your chosen area of focus</div>					
<div>MINOR</div> <div>Free choice of courses to work on your chosen area of focus</div>					
<div>COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES</div> <div>Dealing with socially relevant topics</div> <div>Thematic, methodological or practice-oriented complement to the major /minor combination</div>					