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**Current Research Perspectives**

**Fall 2019**

**Time** Several one-day workshops

**Place** B6, 30-32, Room 211

Description: The course "Current Research Perspectives" introduces first year doctoral students to the theoretically informed research approaches and substantive research fields that build the strongholds of social science research in Mannheim. A series of talks provides first year doctoral students with an overview of current debates and ongoing research in the fields of psychology, political science and sociology. CDSS faculty members will present an outline of their research fields, report on prime examples of their current research, and provide an outlook on potential topics for future research. Doctoral students will have the opportunity to discuss the short talks with the respective lecturer during the remaining discussion time.

**Friday, September 6** 8:30—11:45

**Thursday, September 12** 8:30—11:45

**Friday, September 13** 8:30—11:45

Assignment: Come-up with a research project idea that is informed theoretically or methodologically by insights from one or several of the presentations (outside of your particular field) in this class. Write-up your idea and describe a potential research design in a short 3-page paper. The paper is due October 1st.