

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Module M.WIWI-VWL.0188: Ethics and Security in “Field Research” for Development Economics	6 C 2 WLH
Learning outcome, core skills: The course is tailored to raise students' awareness of potential security and ethical challenges in field research and how they are intertwined. Although those challenges are very context-specific, the course provides students with toolkits for better planning and reflection as well as knowledge about the relevant support structure. After successful completion, students will have an overview on the most frequent ethical and security issues in field research, how to incorporate security and ethical considerations in their own planning, and where to look for further guidance.	Workload: Attendance time: 18 h Self-study time: 162 h
Course: Ethics and Security in “Field Research” for Development Economics (Seminar) <i>Contents:</i> The course covers established concepts as well as current developments on ethical and security aspects of field research in the following areas: introduction to research ethics and the main challenges/dilemmas; positionality; cooperation with local scientific partners; working conditions of field research staff; security; ethical conduct when interacting with local research populations. Students practice to critically reflect and discuss ethical as well as security aspects and learn how to apply them to real-world research projects.	2 WLH
Examination: Term Paper (max. 12 pages) ! Ethics and Security in “Field Research” for Development Economics Examination prerequisites: Regular attendance	6 C
Examination requirements: In the term paper, students will summarize, explain and critically discuss ethical and security challenges that have been covered in the seminar. Moreover, students need to demonstrate their ability to apply those concepts to their own or a hypothetical research project writing. Students are required to ground their reflections in theoretical considerations of ethics and critically review other academic work.	
Admission requirements: none	Recommended previous knowledge: M.WIWI-VWL.0008 Development Economics I: Macro Issues in Economic Development, M.WIWI-VWL.0009 Development Economics II: Micro Issues in Development Economics
Language: English	Person responsible for module: Lisa Bogler, Dr. Lennart Kaplan, Ann-Charline Weber
Course frequency: irregular	Duration: 1 semester[s]
Number of repeat examinations permitted:	Recommended semester:

twice	3 - 4
Maximum number of students: 12	