

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Universität Kassel/Witzenhausen Module M.SIA.E39: Critical and Collective Perspectives on the Global Food System	6 C 4 WLH
Learning outcome, core skills: Students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will be aware of development tendencies of the global food system • will be able to critically analyse the global food system informed by political ecology • will be introduced to collective action theory and critical approaches advocating the spread of “Commoning” in the Global Food System • will be familiar with different conceptions of society-nature relationships • will be acquainted with methods of political ecology • will be acquainted with transition and transformation studies • will be acquainted with food regime studies • will be able to critically evaluate and apply the corresponding approaches 	Workload: Attendance time: 60 h Self-study time: 120 h
Course: Critical and Collective Perspectives on the Global Food System (Lecture, Seminar) <i>Contents:</i> The course introduces students to critical and commoning approaches and studies of the global food system. It introduces the concepts, theories and methods of political ecology, food regime theory collective action theory and transitions studies and discusses these in relation to empirical studies worldwide.	4 WLH
Examination: Presentation (approx. 45 minutes, 40%) and term paper (max. 15 pages, 60%) M.SIA.E39: Critical and Collective Perspectives on the Global Food System Examination prerequisites: Submission of protocols (literature-related questions) in regard to 80% of assigned readings (max 8 articles) Examination requirements: Students will need to demonstrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of political ecology, collective action and commoning perspectives, transition approaches and critical perspectives • Understanding of a food systems approach • Ability to apply political ecology approaches to the food system and its change • Knowledge of global drivers of food and agricultural production systems • Academic presentation, discussion and writing skills Details on Examination: Presentation 20 min. + 25 minutes guided discussion (student-led seminar) (40%) and term paper (15 pages, 3000 words) (60%)	6 C
Admission requirements: none	Recommended previous knowledge:

	Background in agricultural and environmental policy and economics
Language: English	Person responsible for module: Prof. Dr. med. Andreas Thiel
Course frequency: each summer semester; Witzenhausen	Duration: 1 semester[s]
Number of repeat examinations permitted: twice	Recommended semester:
Maximum number of students: not limited	
Additional notes and regulations: Literature: Literature will be circulated to students at the beginning of term and throughout	