

<b>Georg-August-Universität Göttingen</b> <b>Universität Kassel/Witzenhausen</b> <b>Module M.SIA.E24: Topics in rural development economics I</b>	6 C 4 WLH
<b>Learning outcome, core skills:</b> The objective of this course is to acquaint Master students with the reading and understanding of scientific journal articles on relevant topics of rural development economics. Student should learn how to develop a scientific research question, choose appropriate research methods and structure a scientific article.	<b>Workload:</b> Attendance time: 56 h Self-study time: 124 h
<b>Course: Topics in Rural Development Economics I (Lecture)</b> <i>Contents:</i> This course will provide Master Students with an overview of relevant topics in rural development economics, which will also enable them to develop own research questions and study approaches in this field. The module is structured as a reading course, building on selected articles from relevant international journals. Students are required to read announced articles before the classroom sessions, in order to enable a critical debate in class. The articles selected for the course are clustered around key topics relevant to rural development economics, such as listed below.  Tentative Topics <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The food system transformation and smallholder farmers</li> <li>2. Rural livelihood strategies and income diversification</li> <li>3. Adoption and impact of modern agricultural technology</li> <li>4. Economics of nutrition and health</li> <li>5. Gender and intra-household resource allocation</li> </ol> Master students will have to write a summary of a selected journal article. Furthermore, the course should enable them to develop own research questions and study approaches in the field of rural development economics.	4 WLH
<b>Examination: Presentation (approx. 10 minutes, 40%) and homework (max. 4 pages, 60%)</b> ! M.SIA.E24.Mp: Topics in Rural Development Economics I <b>Examination requirements:</b> Constructive participation in the discussion during the lectures, which requires the reading of the articles indicated. In both the written and the oral assignments, students are supposed to demonstrate that they are able to identify the most relevant aspects of the articles and to critically evaluate the research questions, the methods and the results of the studies.	6 C
<b>Admission requirements:</b> none	<b>Recommended previous knowledge:</b> none
<b>Language:</b> English	<b>Person responsible for module:</b> Prof. Dr. Meike Wollni
<b>Course frequency:</b>	<b>Duration:</b>

each summer semester; Göttingen	1 semester[s]
<b>Number of repeat examinations permitted:</b> twice	<b>Recommended semester:</b>
<b>Maximum number of students:</b> not limited	
<b>Additional notes and regulations:</b> <b>Literature:</b> Selected articles from academic journals and book chapters	