# Incoming International Students Introduction Gender Studies

# Welcome!







#### Schedule

- Introduction and Questions
- Gender Studies at the HU
- Structure: Modules, Credits
- Learning Agreement, Transcript of Records, Points, Exams
- Studying: Course Selection, Exams
- Networking
- Questions





#### Introductions

- Introduction
  - Name?
  - Home university?
  - Why did you choose to study Gender Studies at the HU?
  - Which questions do you have for today?



# www.gender.hu-berlin.de

# History of Gender Studies at the HU



- 1989 Zentrum für interdisziplinäre Frauenforschung (ZiF)
- □ 1997 \*Magister degree in Gender Studies
- □ 2005 \*Bachelor
- □ 2008 \*Master
- □ Approx. 600 students (WS 22/23)





# Focuses of the program

- □ Transdisciplinarity To reflect on perspectives from different disciplines (such as biology, history, philosophy, ethnology etc.)
- Critical The program encourages critical thinking regarding the production of knowledge, with a focus on institutions and power structures
- ☐ **Interdependency** To take an intersectional view of Gender with other forms of diversity (age, race, sex etc.)
- Intervention To translate theory into practice





#### Structure: BA Modules

#### Bachelor Minor in combination with a major

- 1 Transdisciplinary Gender Studies
- 2 Gender as an Analytical Category
- 3 Interdependencies
- 4 Gender Orders
- 5 Interventions
- 6 Free Choice
- 7 Interdisciplinary Elective Module





#### Structure: MA Modules

#### Master

- 1 Interdependencies
- 2 Knowledge
- 3 Normativities
- 4 Medialization
- 5 Transformations
- 6 Interventions





#### Credits

- Students earn 4 credits per course
- One credit represents 25 hours of work
- You receive 1 credit for attendance and 3 credits for *Spezielle Arbeitsleistungen* e.g., essays, presentations, mini research projects, mini multimedia projects, designing and conducting one session of the course, and so on.
- Please note: Attention: You will only receive a grade for a course if you choose and register for an exam!





#### **Exams**

- Exams are called *Modulabschlussprüfungen* (MAPs)
- Types of exams (MAPs): a term paper, a portfolio, an oral or a written exam
- In most courses you will be able to do an exam (MAP), but not all of them. You can see which courses offer exams in our online catalogue, AGNES.
  - □ BA
    - MAP: 2 credits
  - - MAP: 4 credits





# Selecting Courses

- ☐ Where do I find the Gender Studies courses?
  - AGNES, our online course catalogue (KSBF, ZtG)
- ☐ How do I enroll in classes?
  - Check AGNES and see if you can register by clicking on "jetzt belegen/ abmelden"
  - Sometimes online registration is not possible and you have to attend the first session to register
  - Tip: Email the lecturer! (Their email addresses are in AGNES.)
- ☐ How do I register for an exam (MAP)?
  - Via the lecturers!!! (not via AGNES)





### Learning Agreements

#### Example of a <u>Learning Agreement</u> (LA)

- ☐ A LA is an individual study contract, which guarantees that the courses you study here are recognised at your home university
- ☐ It consists of 3 parts:
- 1st part choose courses before you arrive
- 2nd part used for if you change courses during your stay.
  Deadline: 6th week of semester (summer 31.5., fall 30.11.)
- 3rd part for recognition of courses after you return
- □ LA must be signed by: (1) student (2) home, and(3) guest university (Susanne Spintig)
- The complete and up-to-date Learning Agreement is the basis for the Transcript of Records





## Transcript of Records

- Who is in charge of these at the ZtG?
  - Erasmus advisor: Susanne Spintig
- Which documents are required?
  - Valid learning agreements (1,2,3)
  - Signed course <u>participation confirmation form</u>
     (<u>Lehrveranstaltungsnachweis</u>)
    One per module (with or without exams)
  - <u>Transcript of Records</u>, filled out in advance by the student





#### Useful Dates and Resources

- ☐ Term dates: 17.4.2023 22.7.2023 dies academicus: 26.4. from 12 noon
  - holidays: 1.5., 18.5., 29.5.2023
- ☐ Facilities:
  - ☐ Gender Library
  - Moodle
  - PC Pool
  - □ Reading materials (German):
    - Academic Methods for Gender Studies







# Networking at the ZtG

#### Information and articles:

ZtG Blog

#### **Events:**

ZtG Veranstaltungen









