## Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

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Module B.WIWI-VWL.0106: Current Topics in Behavioral Economics

## Learning outcome, core skills:

Students will gain the ability to read and understand theoretical and empirical papers in Behavioral Economics. They can classify and critically analyze important contributions and current developments. Students, will have the knowledge of special concepts, mechanisms and methods (theories, experimental research) commonly applied in Behavioral Economics, with the help of which specific current issues (e.g., Behavioral Finance, Behavioral Organizational Economics) can be adequately addressed. To this end, they learn to research, understand, critically evaluate and discuss the scientific literature on the topic. In seminars, students learn in particular to develop a research question, to write a paper on the topic in accordance with academic standards and to present their work rhetorically and convincingly to an academic audience. In the final discussion, they learn to answer questions on the topic and to reflect critically on the problem.

## Workload:

Attendance time: 28 h Self-study time: 152 h

## **Course: Current Topics in Behavioral Economics** (Seminar)

#### Contents:

The seminar deals with current topics in the field of Behavioral Economics, such as Behavioral Finance, Behavioral Organizational Economics, or the effects of gender differences on market results. The aim of the seminar is to gain a better understanding of the effects of psychological factors that influence the actions of decision-makers and market outcomes. In the course of the seminar, students will give a presentation based on the seminar paper they developed for the course. The presentation of own results and the discussion in the course extend the independent work on a scientific question by actively dealing with related topics.

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# Examination: Term paper (max. 15 pages) with presentation (approx. 20 minutes) Examination prerequisites:

Regular attendance

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## **Examination requirements:**

Independent processing (max. 15 pages) of a current issue from Behavioral Economics in written form. Presentation of the results as part of a lecture (approx. 20 minutes). Students provide evidence that they have in-depth knowledge of the topic and are able to critically evaluate their results.

Admission requirements:	Recommended previous knowledge:
none	none
Language: English	Person responsible for module:  AplProf. Dr. Holger Rau
Course frequency: each winter semester	Duration: 1 semester[s]
Number of repeat examinations permitted: twice	Recommended semester: 3 - 5

Maximum number of students:	
15	