

COURSE INFORMATION

EUPeace Alliance University	Justus Liebig University Giessen		
Course Title	Artificial Intelligence and the Democratic Public Sphere		
Department and/or Faculty	Faculty 03: Social Sciences and Cultural Studies Fachbereich 03: Sozial- und Kulturwissenschaften		
Course Code	Pending		
Course Type	Course Modality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Curricular <input type="checkbox"/> Non-curricular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Synchronous <input type="checkbox"/> Asynchronous <input type="checkbox"/> Both (A/S)ynchronous		<input type="checkbox"/> In-person <input type="checkbox"/> Lecture <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory
Date	10/14/2025-02/10/2026 Tuesday, 6.00-8.00 pm (CET)		
Language(s) of Instruction	English (B2)		
Course Coordinator	For application: Kirsten Apel VIP@admin.uni-giessen.de 0049 641 99-12221		
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TARGET AUDIENCE

Suitable as Pre-Service Teacher Training Course

☐ Pre-primary ☒ Primary ☒ Secondary Lower ☒ Secondary Upper ☐ Tertiary

Suitable as In-Service Professional Development Course

☐ Pre-primary ☐ Primary ☐ Secondary Lower ☐ Secondary Upper ☐ Tertiary

Suitable for non-student body

☐ Administrative staff ☐ Other

TYPE – WORKLOAD – RECOGNITION

Number of hours	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ECTS Credits	4-8
<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate	

COURSE DESCRIPTION (EN/L1 [if taught in L1])

Content

Artificial intelligence, especially large language models, which can be found in many digital applications, including social media apps, is omnipresent - and usually without us realizing it. Discussions in the political public sphere are now clearly influenced by them, with the visualization of certain political content, but also doxxing, swarming and other forms of discrimination and agitation playing an increasing role. The seminar aims to explore the question of what is meant by a functioning democratic public space, how AI programs can be understood and how technical tendencies influence democratic processes.

Competences & Learning Objectives

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Key concepts

AI – large language models – democracy

LINK to Course Details

Please check Teacher Training on the left:

<https://www.jlu-digitalcampus.de/virtual-course-catalogue>

<https://www.uni-giessen.de/de/studium/studinfo/evv>

(available for the winter semester from 09/01/2025)