

Module M5 of the master's programme in East Asian Economy and Society

This PDF document is provided to give students and prospective students of the East Asian Economy and Society programme (EcoS) a comprehensible overview of information and requirements for module *M5 Compulsory module: Research and Master's Colloquium*. Please note, that only the texts published in the University Gazette of the University of Vienna are legally binding. All information provided in this document are related to the official EcoS curriculum provided in German here: [Curriculum für das Masterstudium Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft Ostasiens – Stand: Juli 2022](#). While there can be found a translated English version of the curriculum [here](#), the original German version remains the legally binding document in the event of any discrepancies.

Overview of modules

Module	Designation	SWS ¹	ECTS credits
M1	Compulsory module: Contemporary East Asian Language	10-16	30
M2	Compulsory module: East Asian Economy	4	15
M3	Compulsory module: East Asian Politics	4	15
M4	Compulsory module: East Asian Society	9-12	20
M5	Compulsory module: Research and Master's Colloquium	2	10
	Master's Thesis		25
	Oral Master's Examination (Defensio)		5
TOTAL			120

A semester plan can be found in the appendix of the full curriculum [here](#).

M5 – Compulsory module: Research and Master's Colloquium

Description

In module M5, students consolidate previously acquired knowledge and, under supervision, apply this knowledge to a research topic that leads to the master's thesis. In the first part, the colloquium serves the purpose of recapitulating the topics covered, the discussion of different methodological approaches and their application to concrete fields of research. In the second

¹ SWS = hours per week per semester; number of the average contact hours per week per semester

half, the topic and structure of the master's thesis as well as the methodology used are discussed. Students present their projects and give peer feedback.

Objectives

After completing M5, students are expected to have acquired the following skills:

- Demonstrate and practice the skills of academic research and writing acquired throughout the degree programme
- Identify an ambitious and currently relevant topic for their master's thesis
- Organise and conduct research on this topic according to academic standards
- Be able to present complex problems

Structure

M5 consists of one compulsory course:

- SE Research and Master's Colloquium (2 SWS, 10 ECTS credits)

Types of Courses

The course offered in M5 is categorised as SE (Seminars). Find further information on the types of courses in section 8 of the [full curriculum](#).

SWS and ECTS credits

M5 takes 2 hours per week per semester and successful completion is credited with 10 ECTS credits.

Proof of performance

Successful completion of the course.